

# By-Election for Mayor

## June 26



### Apply to Vote by Mail

For this by-election you can choose to vote by mail. Submit your application between May 1 - 26 at [toronto.ca/VoteByMail](https://toronto.ca/VoteByMail).

### Get Started with MyVote

Starting May 1, check that you're on the voters' list, find your ward and the candidates running for mayor at [toronto.ca/MyVote](https://toronto.ca/MyVote).

# Key Dates

## May 1

- First day to apply for **Mail-in Voting**
- First day to add, change or update your information on the **voters' list**

## May 15

- First day to request a **Proxy** form and make an appointment to have it certified by emailing [VoterRegistration@toronto.ca](mailto:VoterRegistration@toronto.ca) or calling 311

## May 23

- **Voter Information Cards (VICs)** are mailed to eligible voters
  - Only eligible voters who are on the voters' list as of May 14, 2023 will receive a VIC in the mail. If you are on the voters' list and do not get a VIC in the mail, you can access your card by using Myvote at [toronto.ca/MyVote](https://toronto.ca/MyVote).

## May 26

- Deadline to apply for **Mail-in Voting**, by 4:30 p.m.

## June 8 to June 13

- Six days of **advance voting** from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

## June 15

- Completed **Mail-in Voting** packages must be received by noon (12 p.m.)

## Monday, June 26

- Election Day from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

# Voting Options

## In Person

You can vote in person on any of the available voting days. Vote early during advance vote (June 8 to 13) or on election day, Monday, June 26.

## By Mail

### STEP 1: Apply For Mail-in Voting

- Starting May 1, visit [toronto.ca/VoteByMail](https://toronto.ca/VoteByMail)
- Deadline to apply is Friday, May 26 at 4:30 p.m.

### STEP 2: Complete Your Package

Once approved, starting on May 23 you will be sent a Mail-in Voting package to complete.

- **SIGN** the Declaration Form
- **MARK** the Ballot
- **INSERT** the sealed Secrecy Envelope into the Yellow Return Envelope

### STEP 3: Mail Your Package

- Take your completed package to any Canada Post mailbox or hand deliver it to one of the yellow Toronto Elections drop boxes.
- Each ward will have one yellow drop box available starting June 1. Locations are listed at: [toronto.ca/VoteByMail](https://toronto.ca/VoteByMail).
- Completed packages must be received by **noon (12 p.m.) on June 15**.

### For questions or accessibility information

- Email [elections@toronto.ca](mailto:elections@toronto.ca) or call 311
- Learn more at [toronto.ca/VoteByMail](https://toronto.ca/VoteByMail)

## By Proxy

If you are not able to vote in person or by mail, you may appoint a voting proxy. A proxy is someone who you trust to vote on your behalf and is an eligible voter in the 2023 by-

election for mayor. Complete a Voting Proxy Appointment form, signed by you and your proxy, and have it certified by the City Clerk before June 26 at 4:30 p.m.

Starting May 15, contact Toronto Elections to receive a Proxy form and make an appointment to have it certified by emailing [VoterRegistration@toronto.ca](mailto:VoterRegistration@toronto.ca) or calling 311.

Learn more at [toronto.ca/ByElection](https://toronto.ca/ByElection)

## Who Can Vote

To vote in the 2023 by-election for mayor, you must be:

- a Canadian citizen; and
- at least 18 years old; and
- a resident in the city of Toronto; or
- a non-resident of Toronto, but you or your spouse own or rent property in the city; and
- not prohibited from voting under any law.

You may only vote once regardless of how many properties you own or rent within the city.

## Get on the Voters' List

It's important to check if your information on the voters' list is correct, especially if you've moved or changed your name since the last election. If you're on the voters' list you'll receive a Voter Information Card in the mail.

Starting May 1 until May 26, check, add or update your information on the voters' list by:

- Visiting [toronto.ca/MyVote](https://toronto.ca/MyVote)
- Emailing [VoterRegistration@toronto.ca](mailto:VoterRegistration@toronto.ca)
- Calling 311

After May 26, you can add yourself to the voters' list when you go to vote in person during advance vote (June 8 to 13) or on election day (June 26).

**You must bring ID when you go to vote, even if you are on the voters' list.**

# Voting Days

## Election Day

Monday, June 26, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. If you choose to vote on election day and you own or rent multiple properties, you may only vote once and you must vote in the ward where you live.

## Advance Voting Days

Vote early during six days of advance voting, Thursday, June 8 to Tuesday, June 13 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Find advance vote locations on your Voter Information Card, by using MyVote or visiting [toronto.ca/AdvanceVote](https://toronto.ca/AdvanceVote). During the advance voting days you can vote at any of the available voting locations across the city.

# Information for Students

If you are a student and consider your “home” to be the place where you live when you are not attending school, which means you plan on returning there, then you are eligible to vote in both your “home” municipality and in the municipality where you currently live while attending school. Learn more at [toronto.ca/ByElection](https://toronto.ca/ByElection).

# MyVote

The MyVote web application has everything to get you started for the 2023 by-election for mayor.

Starting May 1, visit [toronto.ca/MyVote](https://toronto.ca/MyVote) and enter your Toronto address to:

- Find out if you are on the voters' list
- Add, change or update your voters' list information (until May 26)
- Check out the candidates running for mayor
- Find your ward and map
- View, download or print your Voter Information Card (starting June 1)
- Find out where and when to vote (starting June 1)
- Find accessibility information about your voting place (starting June 1)
- View a sample of your ballot (starting June 1)

Continue to check MyVote before you go to vote in person, as voting locations can change.

## Voter Information Card

**Voter information cards (VICs) are in the mail starting May 23.** Taking your VIC to the voting location will make the voting process easier. Your VIC cannot be used as identification.

You do not need a VIC to vote.

- If you're on the voters' list and you don't receive your VIC, but someone in your household does, this may be because Canada Post mails the cards in batches.
- If you receive more than one VIC, bring the most accurate card that matches your identification to the voting place when you go to vote.
- If you receive your VIC, but the information is incorrect, you can take the card with you when you go to vote and ask to complete a Voter List Amendment Application.
- If you receive a VIC for a person that does not live in your household, you can print **Return to Sender** on the card and drop it in any Canada Post mailbox.

Learn more at: [toronto.ca/VIC](https://toronto.ca/VIC)

## Accessibility Information

**If you face a barrier to voting, contact Toronto Elections by emailing [elections@toronto.ca](mailto:elections@toronto.ca) or by calling 311.**

### Voting Locations

All locations where you vote will be accessible. Information about each location, for example ramps, automatic door openers or Voter Assist Terminals, is available at: [toronto.ca/ByElection](https://toronto.ca/ByElection).

### Accessible Voting Equipment

The Voter Assist Terminal is a ballot-marking device that allows voters with disabilities to mark their ballot privately and independently. The features include a touch screen, an

audio function, a braille key pad, a sip/puff tube device, a rocker paddle/foot switch and zoom features to adjust font sizes and colour contrast.

Voter Assist Terminals will be available at all advance vote locations. If you require the use of a Voter Assist Terminal on election day and one is not located at your designated voting location, you can request to have your ballot transferred by calling 311.

## **Other Services**

- Apply to vote by mail if you are not able to vote in person. To apply visit [toronto.ca/VoteByMail](https://toronto.ca/VoteByMail).
- Instructions on how to vote will be available at all voting locations in braille and in 26 languages.
- Magnification sheets will be available at all voting locations to assist voters with low vision.
- If you are physically unable to go inside the voting location you can request to be assisted at another area within the voting location, for example, the parking lot or curbside. Call 311 for more information.
- You may bring a friend along to help you if you are unable to mark your ballot on your own or you can ask an election official for assistance.
- All voting locations welcome the use of support persons and service animals.
- A ballot transfer can be requested in circumstances where a voter might encounter a barrier at their designated voting location. Call 311 in advance.
- If you are not able to vote in person on the available voting days or by mail, you may appoint a voting proxy, email [VoterRegistration@toronto.ca](mailto:VoterRegistration@toronto.ca).
- Election information for the deaf or hard of hearing is available by calling the TTY line at 416-338-OTTY (0889).

Learn more at: [toronto.ca/AccessibleElections](https://toronto.ca/AccessibleElections)

# Acceptable Identification

Identification (ID) is required when you go to vote. Remember to bring one piece of ID showing your name and qualifying Toronto address. Your Voter Information Card cannot be used as a piece of ID.

## Examples of Acceptable ID:

- Ontario issued driver's licence or motor vehicle permit (vehicle portion), photo card.
- Cancelled personalized cheque, credit card or bank account statement.
- Utility bill for hydro, telephone or cable TV, water, gas or a bill from a public utilities commission.
- Cheque stub, T4 statement or pay receipt issued by an employer.
- Statement of direct deposit for Ontario Works or Ontario Disability Support Program.
- Property tax assessment, income tax assessment notice, Child Tax Benefit statement.
- Mortgage statement, lease or rental agreement.
- Transcript or report card from a post-secondary school.
- Document showing campus residence, issued by the office or officials responsible for student residence at a post-secondary institution.
- Any other document from the government of Canada, Ontario or a municipality in Ontario or a document issued or certified by a court in Ontario.
- Any document from a Band Council in Ontario established under the Indian Act (Canada).
- Insurance policy or insurance statement.
- Loan agreement or other financial agreement with a financial institution.
- Statement of Employment Insurance Benefits Paid T4E.
- Statement of Old Age Security T4A (OAS), Canada Pension Plan Benefits T4A (P), Canada Pension Plan Statement of Contributions.
- Workplace Safety and Insurance Board Statement of Benefits T5007.
- CNIB card or a card from another registered charitable organization that provides services to persons with disabilities.



- Document showing residence at a long-term care home under the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007, issued by the Administrator for the home.

If you do not have acceptable ID and are not on the voters' list, you will be asked to return with your ID in order to receive a ballot.

## **Social Media, Web and Email**

**Twitter:** @cityoftoronto

**Facebook:** City of Toronto

**Instagram:** @cityofto

**Website:** [toronto.ca/ByElection](http://toronto.ca/ByElection)

**Email:** [elections@toronto.ca](mailto:elections@toronto.ca)

## **Translation of Information**

If you require information in another language call 311 or visit the [translated materials by-election web page](#).