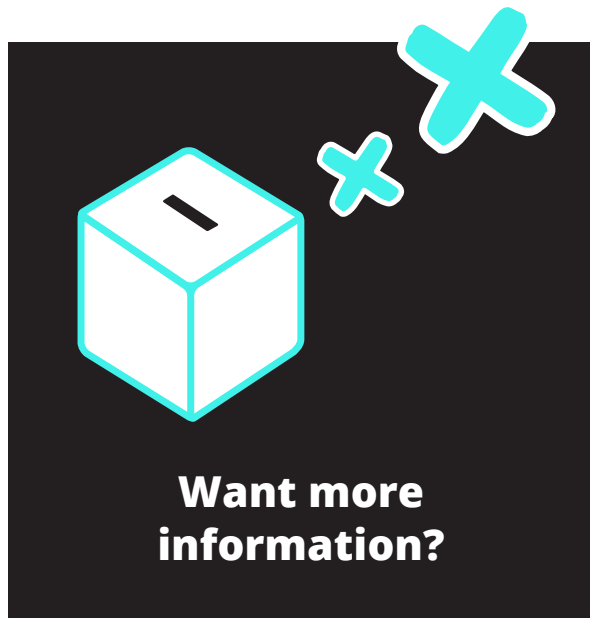


Why vote?

- Canadian citizens who are at least 18 years old have the right to vote.
- All votes are equal—your vote counts as much as the Prime Minister's vote.
- Voting is a way to participate actively in democracy, and democracy depends on the participation of citizens to thrive.



Congratulations on becoming a Canadian citizen. Now you can get ready to vote!



Who can vote?

To vote in a provincial election in Quebec, you must:

- ✗ Be 18 years of age or older
- ✗ Be a Canadian citizen
- ✗ Have been domiciled in Québec for at least six months
- ✗ Not be under curatorship or deprived of your voting rights



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Register to vote

To vote, you must be on the list of electors. This list contains the names and addresses of registered voters. It is used to administer elections and to make sure you get a voter information card in the mail when an election is called. The voter information card will tell you when and where to vote.

Three levels of government mean there are three different types of elections and each level of government has its own list of electors. To learn how to register to vote:

- In a federal election, contact Elections Canada at www.elections.ca.
- During a provincial election, contact Élections Québec. Be careful: you must respect certain deadlines;
- During a municipal election, contact the returning officer of the municipality.

Outside a provincial or municipal election period, you must contact Élections Québec to obtain the registration form and the procedure to follow.

If you are unsure whether the address at which you are registered on the lists of electors is correct, you should verify the address yourself.

To do so, you can contact Elections Canada, for a federal election, and visit the Élections Québec website, for a provincial or municipal election. You can also call Élections Québec.



Get informed before you vote

Elections Canada (www.elections.ca), Élections Québec (www.electionsquebec.qc.ca) and your municipal website are your best sources for information about elections and voting. Visit these websites for information about where to vote, when to vote, how to vote and more.

Talk about your opinions with your friends and family.

Learn about the candidates:

- Attend all-candidate debates.
- Visit candidates' websites.
- Read, watch or listen to the news.

Levels of government

When you vote in a federal, provincial or municipal election, you vote for a representative to make decisions on your community's behalf about the things that level of government is responsible for. Each level of government has several responsibilities. Here are a few examples:

FEDERAL

Airports, Citizenship and immigration, Defense, Passports, Postal service

PROVINCIAL/ TERRITORIAL

Driver's licences, Education, Health care, Social assistance, Transportation and highways

MUNICIPAL

Fire and police services, Garbage collection, Libraries, Parks, Water and sewage



Get involved

There are many ways to get involved in an election. For example, you can run as a candidate or work during an election. There are different positions throughout the election period, and these are paid jobs.

In Québec, you can apply directly on the Élections Québec website during a recruitment period. You can also subscribe to a newsletter, in order to receive job advertisements by e-mail, or contact Élections Québec.

Bring along your children!

A provincial election is an opportunity for introducing your children to election proceedings. Children accompanying a parent or family member can cast their own votes at small polling stations across Québec. Young people answer a question specially designed for them. The results of this special poll are published following the election.

Voting in Canada is...

- Free, fair and accessible;
- Protected under the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*;
- Confidential. No one will know whom you voted for;
- Your decision. You alone decide who to vote for.