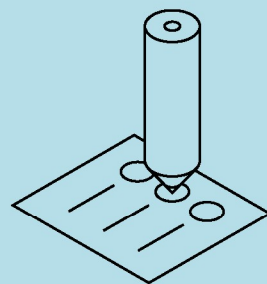


Guide for the provincial election

All you need to know to vote



The Charter of the French language and its regulations govern the consultation of English-language content.

1 Before going to vote, make sure you are entered on the list of electors at the correct address.

Check the notice that came with this guide.

If your name appears on this document, you are properly entered.

You can also verify your entry online: www.electionsquebec.qc.ca/check.

If you are not entered or if you are entered at a former address, submit an application to enter or to update your entry.

You can do so:

- Online, up to two weeks before election day:
www.electionsquebec.qc.ca/registration;

or

- In person, at the address indicated on the notice that came with this guide. Have on hand supporting documents that together show your name, date of birth and address.

Examples: valid driver's licence

health insurance card AND phone bill

birth certificate AND electricity bill

Unable to submit an application yourself? A family member, your spouse or a person who lives with you can submit an application on your behalf up to two weeks before election day.

Don't wait!

If you are not entered at the correct address, you will not be able to vote on election day.

To vote, you must:

- Be at least 18 years of age;
- Be a Canadian citizen;
- Have been domiciled in Québec for at least six months;
- Not have lost your election rights.*

*A person loses their election rights if they have been convicted of an offence constituting a corrupt electoral practice within the last five years or have lost the right to vote because of a tutorship.

2 Choose the time that suits you best to vote.

Vote on election day

On that day, there are more election officers and more polling locations to accommodate electors.

On election day, your polling location is open from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Your employer must give you at least four consecutive hours to vote during this period.

Advance polling

On the two advance polling days, all polling locations are **accessible to mobility impaired persons**.

Voting at a returning officer's office

You can vote at the office of any returning officer, anywhere in Québec. You will still vote for a candidate in your domicile's electoral division. Wait times at these offices may be longer, depending on how busy they are.

Check the dates and addresses:

www.electionsquebec.qc.ca/vote-another-division

Other voting options

Voting in an educational institution

Some post-secondary educational institutions (CEGEPs, colleges, universities) and vocational training centres have a polling station. You can vote there for a candidate in your domicile's electoral division.

Check where and when you can use this option: www.electionsquebec.qc.ca/campus.

Voting outside Québec

If you are outside Québec, you may be able to vote by mail. You must submit an application before or at the beginning of the election period.

www.electionsquebec.qc.ca/outside.

Voting in a remote community or area

Election officers travel to certain remote areas to allow you to vote. Certain special measures may be in effect to facilitate voting. Contact your returning officer for more information.

3 Your voice counts: go vote!

By voting, you help elect the MNA (Member of the National Assembly) for your electoral division.

Steps for voting

1. **Identify yourself** and present one of the following identification documents:
 - Québec driver's licence
 - Québec health insurance card
 - Canadian passport
 - Certificate of Indian Status
 - Canadian Forces identification card
2. **Mark your ballot paper** using the pencil that the election officer gives you. Make a mark in the circle next to the name of the candidate of your choice.



3. **Detach the stub** from your ballot paper along the dotted line.
4. **Place your ballot paper** in the ballot box.

To vote, you do not need to have the information documents you receive by mail, such as the notice of entry and the reminder card. However, you can bring them to help the election officers.

To find out about the candidates in your electoral division:
www.electionsquebec.qc.ca/candidates.

Voting is accessible to all



On election day, most polling locations are accessible to mobility impaired persons, but some are not. To find out if your polling location meets your accessibility needs, go to electionsquebec.qc.ca/where-when.

If your polling location is not accessible, contact your returning officer, who will suggest another location where you can vote.

All advance polling locations are accessible to mobility impaired persons.

At polling locations, tools are available to help you vote, including a pencil with an easy-grip tip, a braille voting template and a lighted magnifying glass. Do not hesitate to ask the election officers for them.

If you need sign language interpretation services, request them in advance from the returning officer.

Unable to move about for health reasons?

You can request to vote at your domicile or at the home of your informal caregiver. Your informal caregiver can vote at the same time as you, under certain conditions. You can also request to vote in your apartment or room if you are in a rehabilitation centre, hospital centre, palliative care hospice or addiction resource. You must submit this application at least two weeks before election day.

Election officers visit most residential and long-term care centres as well as private seniors' residences. If they do not visit your facility, you can submit an application two weeks before election day to have them come.

Money and election

If you have the right to vote, you can donate:

- **Up to \$100 per year** to each political party, authorized independent Member and authorized independent candidate;
- **Up to an additional \$100** in a general election year, for an annual total of \$200.

Your vote can also have a direct impact on the funding of the authorized independent candidate or political party you support. They may obtain a reimbursement of their election expenses. A political party may also obtain an annual allowance. Thus, your vote can help an authorized independent candidate or a political party continue their political engagement, even if they are not elected.

For the sake of fairness, election expenses are limited to the same amount for all candidates in the same electoral division. After the election, candidates must report all their election expenses in a return that will be audited to ensure compliance with political financing rules. These rules help level the opportunities for candidates during an election.

Your official source of information on provincial elections

Élections Québec is an independent, non-partisan institution responsible for organizing provincial elections. It takes measures to ensure the integrity and reliability of elections. All steps of the electoral process are monitored and subject to rigorous rules, right up to the counting of votes.

During an election period, false or inaccurate information may circulate in the public sphere. This information can influence your vote or your decision to go vote.

- Take the time to verify the facts and sources of the information you come across before sharing it with others.
- Do not hesitate to question the content you find on social media, especially if it seems sensationalist or emotional.
- Diversify your sources of information and remain critical of what you read or hear.
- Remember that artificial intelligence tools do not always generate true and accurate content.

For reliable information on provincial elections, rely on Élections Québec, which is the official source of information. Do not hesitate to contact us.

Voters in training

Bring your children along so they can vote too!

Your children can learn about democracy at the small polling station set up for them on election day and on advance polling days. They answer a question specially designed for them about democratic values. This question is in French.



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