

Town of Port McNeill

MAIL BALLOT VOTING INFORMATION

2022 General Local

1. WHO CAN VOTE BY MAIL?

On Saturday, October 15, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., the Town of Port McNeill will hold the general local elections for Mayor, Councillor & School District 85 Area 3 Trustee.

2. WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE BY MAIL?

You are allowed to vote if you are qualified and are registered as:

- a resident elector (i.e., you live in the Town of Port McNeill, OR
- a non-resident property elector (i.e., you live elsewhere in BC but own property in the Town of Port McNeill.

3. WHAT ARE THE QUALIFICATIONS TO BE AN ELECTOR?

Resident Electors

- 18 years of age or older on general voting day for the election or assent voting; and
- a Canadian citizen; and
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration; and
- a resident of the Town of Port McNeill; and
- not disqualified under the *Local Government Act [Vancouver Charter]*, *[School Act]* or any other enactment from voting in an election or otherwise disqualified by law.

Non-Resident Property Electors

- 18 years of age or older on general voting day for the election or assent voting; and
- a Canadian citizen; and
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration; and

- a registered owner of real property in the Town of Port McNeill for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration; and
- not entitled to register as a resident elector; and
 - the only persons who are registered owners of the real property, either as joint tenants or tenants in common, are individuals who are not holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust; and
 - not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election or otherwise disqualified by law; and
- **if there is more than one registered owner of the property, only one of those individuals may, with the written consent of the majority of the owners, register as a non-resident property elector.**

3. HOW DO YOU REGISTER TO VOTE?

You must register on the Town of Port McNeill List of Electors or at the time of filling in your ballot. If you missed the advance registration, an application form will be included in your mail ballot package.

To register, you will have to complete an application form and provide 2 pieces of acceptable identification in addition to completing the certification paperwork. Details about the application to register will be included in the mail ballot package.

If you wish to confirm that you are registered as an elector, or you want to register a change of name or address, contact the Town of Port McNeill at 250-956-3111 or reception@portmcneill.ca.

4. REQUESTING A MAIL BALLOT PACKAGE

In order to obtain a mail ballot, you must submit the following information to the Town of Port McNeill Municipal Office by phone 250-956-3111 or email at reception@portmcneill.ca by 4:00 pm on October 4, 2022.

- (1) Full name,
- (2) Residential address,
- (3) Address of the property in relation to which you are voting (for non-resident property electors),
- (4) Method of delivery of your mail ballot package:

- (a) pick up at the Town Office, OR
 - (b) pick up at the Town Office by a person authorized by you (identification required),
- OR
- (c) regular letter mail through Canada Post to residential address, OR
 - (d) regular letter mail through Canada Post to an alternate address that you provide when requesting the ballot package,
- (5) If you are not on the list of electors, to ensure you receive the correct registration application form in your package, you must indicate whether you are going to be registering as a resident or non-resident property elector.

If you request a mail ballot by October 4, 2022, at 4:00 pm, the Town Office will send out mail ballot packages commencing on or about 5:00 pm. In order to ensure that you receive your mail ballot in a timely fashion, your mail ballot package will only be available for pick up at the LOCAL GOVERNMENT for any request made after the deadline.

To be counted for the election, your completed ballot must be received by the Chief Election Officer **no later than 8:00 p.m. on general voting day, October 15, 2022**. You can mail the completed ballot package or drop it off at the Town Office.

5. CONTACT INFORMATION

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