How to vote in BC

What ID do I need to vote?
You need ID to prove who you are (your identity) and your home address. Which ID do you have?

- One piece of ID issued by the government of BC or Canada with your name, photo and address – like a BC driver's licence, BCID or BC Services Card with your photo.
- A Certificate of Indian Status
- Two different documents — both must have your name and one must have your address. For example, a student card and a government cheque will work.

No ID? There is one more way. It is called vouching.
See elections.bc.ca/id for more information about ID and vouching.

Advance voting

There are ways to vote before General Voting Day. One way is called advance voting.

Advance voting is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. local time from October 15 to 21. All voters can vote at any advance voting place in BC.

Your Where to Vote card shows the advance voting places in your electoral district.

There are lots of reasons to vote before General Voting Day:

- Advance voting is easy and open to all voters
- Every advance voting place is wheelchair accessible.

Did you know?

Election officials are trained to help. Do you need help reading or marking your ballot? Ask for help.

There are also services to help voters with disabilities. Ask for help or services at the voting place.

Voting in person

Many people vote at the general voting place on their Where to Vote card. This voting place is near their home. It is usually faster to vote there.

You can also vote at any district electoral office from when an election is called to 4 p.m. Pacific time on General Voting Day.

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Voting by mail

You can also vote by mail. This is a great option for people who are not comfortable voting in person because of the pandemic.

To vote by mail, ask for a vote-by-mail package as soon as possible. The package will be mailed to you.

You can ask for one by:

- calling Elections BC at 1-800-661-8683
- visiting votebymail.elections.bc.ca

You can vote by mail.

To pick up your vote-by-mail package contact your closest district electoral office.

Your completed package must be returned to the district electoral office by 8 p.m. Pacific time on General Voting Day.

Who are the candidates?

The people running for office are called candidates. When you vote, you mark a ✓ or a X beside one candidate's name.

The list of candidates is final one week after the election is officially announced. Find the list of candidates for your electoral district at www.elections.bc.ca.

Some candidates represent a political party. Names and contact information for political parties are also available at www.elections.bc.ca.

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