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VOTERS CAN CHOOSE FROM MANY VOTING OPTIONS FOR THE PROVINCIAL GENERAL ELECTION

Manitoba voters have many convenient ways to vote in the upcoming election.

ADVANCE VOTING

There are over 300 advance voting locations throughout the province, including every returning office, as well as other convenient locations such as shopping malls, university campuses, The Forks, Polo Park, St. Vital Centre, Health Sciences Centre, St. Boniface Hospital and Richardson International Airport.

Eligible voters can vote at any advance voting location.

Advance voting runs from August 29 to September 5, from **8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday to Saturday and from noon to 6:00 p.m. Sunday**, with some exceptions. Check the Elections Manitoba website for locations and hours: http://www.electionsmanitoba.ca/en/Voting/Advance_Voting.

ABSENTEE VOTING

Voters who will be away can apply for absentee voting. Applications are available online or from the returning office. The deadline to apply for absentee voting is 8:00 p.m. on September 7, but to ensure that the ballot kit is delivered with enough time to return it, voters should try to apply before August 30. All applications must include copies of government-issued photo ID (such as a driver's license) or two other forms of acceptable ID.

HOMEBOUND VOTING

Voters who are unable to go in person to a voting place due to a disability may apply to vote at home. Caregivers may also apply to vote at the same time. Applications for homebound voting are available at electionsmanitoba.ca or from the returning office. Applications, including copies of ID, must be received at the returning office by 8:00 p.m. on September 9.

VOTING WITH ASSISTANCE

In addition to homebound voting, Elections Manitoba provides several services to assist voters with disabilities:

- Voters may request a language or sign language interpreter. To access this service, voters should make arrangements with the returning office by September 2. We will do our best to accommodate requests.
- Voting places have Braille ballot templates, large print lists of candidates, magnifying rulers and easy-grip pencils.
- Voters may bring someone with you to help you vote or a voting officer may assist you.

Everyone must show ID to vote, either one piece of government-issued photo ID, or two other pieces. On election day only, voters on the list who do not have ID may have another voter from their electoral division vouch for them.

To find the Elections Manitoba returning office in your electoral division, visit <https://www.electionsmanitoba.ca/en/Voting/ReturningOfficers>

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