

News release

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PROVINCIAL BYELECTION IN FORT WHYTE ELECTION DAY IS TODAY

Today is election day for the provincial byelection in Fort Whyte. Polling places are open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

To be eligible to vote, individuals must:

- Be Canadian citizens;
- Be at least 18 years old on election day;
- Have lived in Manitoba for at least six months immediately before election day; and
- Live in the Fort Whyte electoral division.

All voters must show ID to vote, either one piece of government-issued photo identification (such as a driver's license) or two other documents with their name. The voter information card can be used as one of the two pieces of ID. A full list of acceptable ID can be found at www.electionsmanitoba.ca/en/Voting/IDRequirements

To find out where to vote, eligible voters should check their voter information card, visit www.electionsmb.ca or contact the Fort Whyte Returning Office at 204-809-1073 or ROFortWhyte@elections.mb.ca.

Many accessibility options are available at polling places, including braille and large print candidate lists, braille ballot templates, magnifying rulers and curbside voting. Voters may also bring someone with them to help them vote or request assistance from a voting officer. The use of assistive devices, including smartphone apps, is also permitted.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The following COVID-19 precautions will be in place:

- Election workers will be required to wear masks.
- Hand sanitizer stations
- Clearly marked physical distance markings
- Single use pencils for marking ballots
- Shields at every poll
- Voting officers at personal care homes and health care facilities will be required to be fully vaccinated.

After the polls close at 8:00 pm, unofficial results will be posted on Elections Manitoba's website as they are reported. Official results as verified by the returning officer will be announced on Friday, March 25, in the Fort Whyte Returning Office and posted online.

Guidelines for media in polling places are attached.

Elections Manitoba is the independent office of the Legislative Assembly responsible for the administration of provincial elections and byelections.

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