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ALL FORT WHYTE VOTERS CAN CHOOSE TO VOTE BY MAIL OR IN PERSON, SUPPORTING SAFETY DURING THE BYELECTION

A byelection will be held in Fort Whyte no later than March 2022. Although the byelection has not been called yet, Elections Manitoba is encouraging eligible voters who wish to vote by mail to apply now. This service is being made available in addition to in-person voting during advance and on election day.

There are two easy steps to follow:

1. Visit **electionsmb.ca** to check if you are registered to vote and that your information is correct. If not, follow the instructions to register or update.
2. Once your voter information is up to date, you'll be prompted to complete the vote-by-mail application.

Voters will need to upload their ID, either a government-issued photo ID (like a driver's license), or two other pieces of ID.

Once the application is approved, voters will receive a vote by mail package with instructions on how to securely cast their ballot.

Elections Manitoba will also have the following health and safety measures in place during the byelection:

- Election workers will be required to wear masks.
- All election workers in returning offices or those working with vulnerable populations (residents of care homes or seniors' housing, homebound voters), must be fully vaccinated.
- There will be signs and floor markings at the polls to control the flow of traffic and promote physical distancing.
- There will be shields at every poll table.
- Hand sanitizer will be available and its use encouraged.
- Workers will be assigned to clean and sanitize all polls.
- Pencils will be single use, or voters can bring their own.

More information will be available on the Elections Manitoba website after the Fort Whyte byelection has been called.

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