

THE DISTRICT OF SAANICH 2018 GENERAL LOCAL AND SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

APPLICATION TO VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT

Public Notice is given to the electors of the District of Saanich that the Chief Election Officer will be accepting applications to vote by mail for the 2018 General Local and School Board Elections to be held on October 20, 2018.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE BY MAIL

Mail ballot voting is available to Saanich electors who:

- 1. have a physical disability, illness, or injury that affects their ability to vote at another voting opportunity; or
- 2. expect to be absent from the Municipality on General Voting Day (October 20, 2018) and at the times of all advance voting opportunities (October 10, 15 and 17, 2018).

To be a qualified elector, you must meet all of the following requirements:

- 18 years of age or older on General Voting Day (October 20, 2018);
- Canadian citizen;
- Resident of British Columbia for at least six months immediately preceding the day of registration;
- Resident of the District of Saanich, or a registered owner of real property in Saanich, for at least 30 days immediately preceding the day of registration; and
- Not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting or be otherwise disqualified by law.
- A person or the commander of an armed forces unit who has been granted freedom of the municipality, if that person is a Canadian citizen (for Saanich Municipal Council offices only).

MAIL BALLOT DEADLINES

Applications for a Mail Ballot Package will be accepted until **4 p.m. on Thursday, October 18, 2018**. The ballot packages will be mailed or available for pickup starting on or about October **4**, 2018. If your application requires a ballot package to be mailed, please consider the destination and that mail service excludes delivery on weekends and statutory holidays. It is the responsibility of the elector to ensure that the completed mail ballot is received by the Chief Election Officer by 8 p.m. on General Voting Day, Saturday, October **20**, 2018.

Note: Once you have registered to vote by mail ballot, you <u>cannot</u> vote at the regular or advance voting opportunities.

HOW TO OBTAIN A MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION

To obtain a mail ballot application form, or for additional information visit our website at <u>www.saanich.ca/election</u> or contact us by telephone at 250-475-1775 or by e-mail at <u>elections@saanich.ca</u>.