

## Voting Plan Checklist

The Provincial Election is October 3, 2023. Advanced polls are open from September 23 – September 30, 2023

You have the RIGHT to vote if you are over 18, are a Canadian citizen on election day, and have lived in Manitoba for at least 6 months before election day. Here is a checklist to help you make a plan to vote.

Checklist to prepare to vote:

- Check to see if you are registered to vote. Note: If you received a Voter Information Card in the mail, you are registered to vote.
- If you are not already registered to vote, you will need to register. You can register online at [www.electionsmanitoba.ca](http://www.electionsmanitoba.ca) or by calling 204-945-3225 or toll free 1-866-628-6837.
- Once you are registered to vote, you will receive a Voter Information Card (VIC) in the mail that tells you where you can vote. Keep this VIC in a safe place. You will need to bring identification and the voter information card with you to vote.
- Check to make sure that you have the required identification. Elections Manitoba allows many different types of ID. Plus, the VIC counts as once piece of ID if the address on it is correct. Read this list of other options that are accepted as identification [https://www.electionsmanitoba.ca/downloads/Acceptable\\_ID\\_En.pdf](https://www.electionsmanitoba.ca/downloads/Acceptable_ID_En.pdf).
- If you don't have the required ID, you will need to get the required identification or arrange for someone who has the required ID to vouch for you. If you have the Public Guardian and Trustee (PGT) as your Substitute Decision Maker, the PGT may have your ID. Contact your PGT to ask that they give you the ID in order to register to vote. Do this with as much notice time as possible to the PGT.
- Vouching is only available on Election Day (not during the advanced polls). Here's how it works:
  - If you are on the voters list on Election Day, but don't have ID with your name, you can take an oath and have someone who knows you vouch for you.
  - The person who Vouches for you must be on the voter's list, show proof of identity and address, be registered in the same electoral division, must take an oath and may only Vouch for one person.
- Learn about who is running for election (the candidates in your electoral district) and what they say they will do if they are elected. Prepare questions to ask when candidates come to your door. The Disability Matters Vote website is a good place to get information ([www.dmvote.ca](http://www.dmvote.ca)).

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- Mark the Election Day on the calendar, or choose an alternative way to vote. Advance voting is possible if you are not able to go to the polling station on Election Day. Homebound voting and absentee voting are also possible. An application form must be completed for homebound and absentee voting. You can find the applications at <https://www.electionsmanitoba.ca/en/Voting/Accessibility>.
- Find your polling station. **Confirm that the polling station is accessible to you.** If it is not accessible, you can vote at another polling station within your jurisdiction (this is \*new\* for the 2023 Manitoba Election). Or you can request curbside voting which means a voting officer will bring the ballot box to the vehicle if you are not able to access the polling station due to a disability. This must be arranged in advance.
- Plan how you will get to your polling location. Book Handi-Transit, learn the bus routes to your polling station, or arrange other transportation as required.
- On voting day, bring your voter information card and pieces of ID. Tell the election worker if you need assistance and how the election worker can help.

Tip: Start planning as soon as the election is called. It's easier to request accommodation services at the polls earlier on.

There are lots of resources to help you support people to exercise their voting rights on the Elections Manitoba website ([www.electionsmanitoba.ca](http://www.electionsmanitoba.ca)) and the Disability Matters Vote website ([www.dmvote.ca](http://www.dmvote.ca)).

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## My Voting Plan

What to know?	My Plan
<p><b>Know your needs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Am I able to vote?</li><li>• What do I need to be able to vote?</li><li>• Do I require support to vote? If so, what support do I need?</li><li>• Do I know how to prove my identity and address?</li></ul>	<p><b>My needs are:</b></p>
<p><b>Know the options available</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Am I registered to vote?</li><li>• If not, what do I need to do to register to vote?</li><li>• What are the different ways to vote? Which is right for me?</li><li>• Do I know how to find or request more information?</li></ul>	<p><b>My options are:</b></p>
<p><b>Know the key information in order to vote</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Do I know where to vote?</li><li>• What do I need to bring with me when I go to vote?</li><li>• How will I get to where I need to vote?</li><li>• Do I know how to find or request more information?</li></ul>	<p><b>My key information is:</b></p>