

Voter Accessibility and Accommodations

Election Day

Edmonton Elections has made every effort to ensure voting stations are wheelchair accessible and equipped with handrails, ramps, and elevators.

All voting stations will have:

- magnifiers
- pencil grips
- pens and paper
- instructions to voters
- examples of how to mark a ballot
- posters stating the languages election workers speak at the voting station

Voters are also welcome to bring someone to help with voting. Those providing help will need to complete a short form allowing them to assist.

New for 2017: *Fast Pass*

For voters who are unable to stand in line, election workers will assist the voter through the line and process as quickly as possible. Alternatively, Edmonton Elections also has a process to bring the vote to an eligible citizen parked in their vehicle at the voting station.

Advance Voting

Advance voting is the opportunity to vote before election day. It will take place for 10 continuous days: October 4-13, 2017. Advance voting is an excellent option for voters, as there are no extra qualifications. This is also a time where voters who wish to vote without assistance can vote. Those who are blind, visually impaired or who have a disability or condition that makes it difficult to traditionally mark a ballot can also benefit from advance voting. All advance vote locations will offer citizens the opportunity to vote independently using an electronic ballot marking tool that accommodates sip-and-puff, audio cues, and braille.



Special (Mail-In) Ballots

Voting by Special (Mail-in) Ballot is available for eligible voters unable to make it to an advance vote or election day voting station because the voter is:

- physically incapacitated
- absent from the local jurisdiction (City of Edmonton)
- an election worker, candidate, official agent or scrutineer located at a voting station other than the one designated for your place of residence

Special (Mail-in) Ballot applications will be available on the Edmonton Elections website starting Tuesday, August 1, 2017. It is the voters responsibility that they are dropped off/mailed and received by the Election and Census Office (16304 - 114 Avenue) by 7 pm on Election Day in order to be counted.

Senior Accommodation Facility Vote

Conducted during advance voting, the Senior Accommodation Facility Vote offers care facility residents who are unable to attend a regular voting station the opportunity to cast a ballot at their facility. These voting opportunities are restricted to residents of the care facility.

Voting at a Hospital or Institution

On Election Day, a voting station and bed-to-bed voting will be set up in hospitals throughout the city, giving those in active treatment centres the opportunity to vote. These voting stations are restricted to patients of the facility. Edmonton Elections will also bring the vote to homeless shelters on Election Day.

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