



Voter Identification Additional Information for Media

To vote in the 2023 Provincial General Election, electors are required to prove their identity and current address. There are several ways to do this, including:

- Providing one piece of Government-issued photo ID, including the voter’s full name, current address, and a photo
- Providing two pieces of ID, both containing the voter’s full name and one that lists their current physical address
- Having another registered elector with identification that resides in their voting area vouch for them
- Having an authorized signatory complete an attestation form

More than [50 different types of identification](#) have been authorized by the Chief Electoral Officer to be used as identification to vote.

In the 2019 Provincial General Election, only electors who registered to vote in person at a voting place were required to prove their identity and address by providing identification or being vouched for. In the 2023 Provincial General Election, all electors, except for those voting at a mobile voting station will be required to prove their identity and address.

Electors at a mobile voting station are deemed resident of the facility and receive a ballot for the electoral division the facility is located in. Eligible facilities include supportive living, long-term care, treatment centres, hospitals, shelters, and community support centres. Electors voting at these facilities are acknowledged by an official to be a resident or receiving supports or services at the facility and are not required to show any identification.

Statistics

	Total Voters who Voted	Number who registered at the voting place (required to show ID or be vouched for)	% that proved identity and address using one piece or two pieces of identification	% that were vouched for or used an Attestation
2019	1,906,366	257,178	98%	2%

Assets and Resources

- For a full list of accepted ID and an explainer video on voter identification options, visit elections.ab.ca/voters/id-required-to-vote/
- For more information about mobile voting, visit elections.ab.ca/voters/how-to-vote/#MobileVoting

Commonly Asked Questions

If an ID uses a mailing address (ex: PO box) instead of a physical address, do voters need someone to vouch for them?

Electors that are registered to vote at their current physical address can use their Driver's License or Identification Card with their current mailing address to vote.

Electors that are not registered to vote or need to register at a new physical address need to provide identification to prove their physical address or be vouched for by another elector, with identification, in their voting area.

What are the requirements for vouching for someone?

Electors who wish to vouch for someone must meet the following criteria:

- They must have either one piece or two pieces of identification to prove their own identity and address.
- They must live in the same **voting area** as the person they are vouching for.
- They must sign a Vouching Declaration stating that they personally know the elector, that they are a qualified elector, and believe the elector resides at the physical address provided by the elector.

What is a voting area?

The 87 electoral divisions in Alberta are sub-divided into voting areas for the purpose of administering the election. On Election Day, a voting station is dedicated to each voting area. There are 4764 voting areas in Alberta for the 2023 Provincial General Election.

Voting areas are displayed on the electoral division maps at elections.ab.ca/resources/maps/ and are listed on the *Where to Vote* cards mailed to all households. Electors may also contact Elections Alberta at 1.877.422.8683 to determine their voting area.

If voters don't have ID or someone to vouch for them, can they sign an attestation form at a voting place?

Attestation forms must be completed in advance by an authorized signatory. They are an accepted form of ID in specific circumstances and cannot be completed on site at a voting place.

In what circumstances is an attestation form applicable?

Attestation forms can be used as identification in the following circumstances:

- An elector who resides in a supportive living or long-term care facility,
- An elector who resides on a colony,
- An elector who resides on a First Nation or Metis Settlement,
- An elector who resides in student housing on a campus in Alberta,
- An elector who is an inmate,
- An elector who receives services from a shelter or community support centre, or
- An elector who is renting their ordinary residence.