

ELECTOR QUALIFICATIONS 2010 Municipal Election

Municipal Elections Act, 1996 s. 17

Qualifications for municipal electors are listed in Section 17 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*.

Qualifications of Electors

S. 17(2) A person is entitled to be an elector at an election held in a local municipality if on voting date, he or she

- (a) resides in the local municipality, or is the owner or tenant of land there, or is the spouse or same-sex partner of such owner or tenant;
- (b) is a Canadian citizen;
- (c) is at least 18 years old; and
- (d) is not prohibited from voting under subsection (3) or otherwise by law.

Persons Prohibited from Voting

S. 17(3) The following persons are prohibited from voting:

- (a) A person who is serving a sentence of imprisonment in a penal or correctional institution;
- (b) A corporation;
- (c) A person acting as executor or trustee or in any other representative capacity, except as a voting proxy in accordance with section 44 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*.
- (d) A person who was convicted of the corrupt practice described in subsection 90(3), if Voting Day in the current election is less than four years after Voting Day in the election in respect of which he or she was convicted.