

## **ATTENTION ALL VOTERS**

There appears to be confusion relating to when voters may request a mail in ballot package.

The notice of Nomination stated that you must request a mail in ballot package by no later than December 23 as per the requirements of section 7.04 of the election code.

That being said, section 9.01 of the code states "any eligible voter may request a mail in ballot package by contacting the Electoral Officer up to the date of the Election."

In my view everyone has the right to vote by mail in ballot as long as there is time for the voter to receive the package and return it in time for the Election (January 22, 2025).

I would therefore advise voters to request a ballot package up to January 10 Unless the voter resides in the US than the final cutoff date was December 23 as it takes 6 weeks for turn around mail from Canada to the US.

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