



SPECIAL BALLOT PROCESS

WHAT IS A SPECIAL BALLOT?

To enable all eligible voters to participate in Election Day, we offer Special Ballots to those unable to attend in-person or in the advance voting process.

Voters may submit a request to receive a Special Ballot starting on August 1 through to Election Day; please see below for details on how this process works.

Special Ballot packages will be available after Nomination Day (September 22, 2025) and will then be provided to the elector.

HOW DO I RECEIVE A SPECIAL BALLOT?

To receive a special ballot:

- 1) Ensure you are registered on the Permanent Electors Register by accessing [Voterlink - Home](#) or call Elections Alberta at (780) 427-7191.
- 2) Next step - Special Ballot Request:
 - a. Complete the Special Ballot Request form and email it to elections@parklandcounty.com
 - b. OR call the Returning Officer at: 825-963-5170 for more details

WHAT'S NEXT?

- 1) Once your request is received, the Returning Officer will verify the appropriate ballots and will prepare the Special Ballot package and include ballots that you are permitted to place your vote.
- 2) The package will be available as per direction on the application. You may:
 - a. Request a mailout to your home address OR
 - b. Request a mailout to an alternate address OR
 - c. Pick up the package from the Parkland County Office OR
 - d. Assign another person to pick up your package at the Parkland County Office



- 3) The Special Ballot package will contain:
 - a. Special Ballot instructions
 - b. Various envelopes: please ensure that you review the package for all envelopes
 - c. List of acceptable identification that must be included with your package
 - d. A postage paid return envelope

WHAT DO I DO WITH THE PACKAGE?

- 1) Review the package and all the instructions provided. If you are missing anything, contact the Returning Officer immediately at 825-963-5170 or email elections@parklandcounty.com
- 2) Once you complete your vote, place the ballots in the ballot envelope and seal it
- 3) Attach a copy of your identification that proves your name and address (ie. Driver's License) as directed in the instructions for acceptable identification
- 4) Place all required information in the Special Ballot Return Envelope and ensure that it reaches the Parkland County Office NO LATER THAN 4:30 PM on October 20, 2025

COUNTING OF THE SPECIAL BALLOT VOTES

- 1) Once your special ballot is received by the Returning Officer, the package will be reviewed to ensure that all steps are followed, verification of signatures and acceptable identification are attached.
- 2) Once accepted, the sealed ballot envelope will be placed in the ballot box. The rest of the package will be retained.
- 3) At 8:00 PM on Election Day the Special Ballot envelopes will be opened and the votes counted. The result of the ballot count will be added to the other voting options to determine the results.

SPECIAL NOTES:

*Regardless of the voting opportunity you select, an elector/voter is only permitted to vote once during the election process.

* By requesting a Special Ballot, you are still permitted to vote at an advance voting station or in person on Election Day if your circumstances change.