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ENUMERATION OF VOTERS GETS UNDERWAY FOR PROVINCIAL ELECTION, APRIL 19, 2016

Enumeration begins today for Manitoba's 41st general election, set for April 19, 2016. As required by Manitoba's *Elections Act*, eligible voters are identified through enumeration. The voters list is essential for administering the election.

Beginning today and continuing until March 7, approximately 3,000 enumerators in the province's 57 electoral divisions will go door-to-door to collect the names of eligible voters for the voters list. Having your name on the voters list makes it easier to vote on election day.

How to identify Enumerators:



Enumerators will visit homes wearing a yellow Elections Manitoba vest.



Look for their Photo ID badge, which includes their name, position and photo.

Manitoba residents are eligible to vote if they:

- are Canadian citizens;
- are at least 18 years of age on or before election day; and
- have resided in Manitoba for at least six months immediately before election day.

Enumerators will request the name, address and phone number of all eligible voters in the household. (Voters are not required to provide phone numbers if they do not wish to do so.) This information, compiled for use during the election, will also be given to the candidates and registered political parties.

Enumerators will also request eligible voters' date of birth and gender to help create an accurate and reliable permanent voters list for Manitoba, for use in future elections. This information will be treated

as confidential and kept secure – it will not be given to candidates or registered parties. Voters are encouraged to provide this information, but can choose not to.

Voters will receive an enumeration record that indicates where to vote on election day and provides contact information for their returning officer.

Enumerators also carry applications for [homebound voting](#). Voters (and their caregivers) who are unable to go to a voting place due to a disability can apply to vote in their home.

If [personal security](#) is a concern, voters can apply to have their name omitted from the voters list through the personal security voting option.

[Landlords](#) are reminded that the law requires them to provide enumerators access to apartment buildings and condominiums.

For more information, members of the public can call Elections Manitoba at 204-945-3225, toll-free at 1-866-628-6837, visit the Elections Manitoba website: www.electionsmanitoba.ca, or download our mobile app, Manitoba Votes 2016.

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