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## MANITOBA PARTY REGISTERS WITH ELECTIONS MANITOBA

A new political party has officially become registered in Manitoba. By endorsing 11 candidates (to date) in the upcoming general election and filing the required forms and statements, the Manitoba Party (MP) is now registered under *The Election Financing Act* (EFA).

As per section 6 of the EFA, a political party can register in one of two ways:

- File a petition with the Chief Electoral Officer with signatures of 2,500 individuals who were eligible to vote in the last provincial election
- Endorse five or more candidates in the current general election

Registering with the Chief Electoral Officer allows a political party to be identified on the ballot beside the name of its endorsed candidates, issue tax receipts for contributions, receive reimbursement for election expenses, and receive an annual allowance (EFA sec. 4). In order to receive a reimbursement, the party's endorsed candidates must obtain, in total, at least 10% of all the valid votes cast in the election (EFA sec. 73).

Contact information for the Manitoba Party may be found on the Elections Manitoba website at [http://www.electionsmanitoba.ca/en/Political Participation/Registered Political Parties](http://www.electionsmanitoba.ca/en/Political_Participation/Registered_Political_Parties).

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