

Non-Resident Property Elector (NRPE) FAQ

A guide for property owners who live elsewhere in British Columbia

ADVANCE VOTING Wednesday, October 7, 2026 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	ADVANCE VOTING Wednesday, October 14, 2026 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	GENERAL VOTING DAY Saturday, October 17, 2026 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
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Voting place: Costin Hall, 7232 Lantzville Road

What is a non-resident property elector? An eligible B.C. resident who owns real property in the District of Lantzville but does not live in the District. Property ownership does not automatically give a person the right to vote; all legal requirements must be met.

Who is eligible?

✓ You are NOT entitled to register as a RESIDENT ELECTOR in the District of Lantzville.	✓ You are 18 or older when you register, or will be 18 by General Voting Day if the election is in progress.
✓ You are a Canadian citizen.	✓ You have lived in British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before registration.
✓ You have been a registered owner of the Lantzville property for at least 30 days immediately before registration.	✓ Every registered owner is an individual and no owner holds the property in trust for a corporation or another trust.
✓ You are not disqualified from voting under the Local Government Act, another enactment, or otherwise by law.	✓ You are registering in relation to only one parcel in the District and have majority-owner consent when required.

Important: Only one registered owner may register as the non-resident property elector for a property. Corporations and businesses cannot vote. A person cannot register based on property owned by a corporation or held in trust for a corporation or another trust.

Frequently asked questions

What if I own more than one property in Lantzville?

You may register as a non-resident property elector in relation to only one parcel in the District. Owning more than one parcel does not provide additional votes.

What if I own the property with other people?

Only one registered owner may register as the NRPE. The applicant must have written consent from enough of the other registered owners so that, together with the applicant, a majority of all registered owners have consented.

How does majority consent work?

Two owners: the other owner must consent. Three owners: at least one other owner must consent. Four owners: at least two other owners must consent. Five owners: at least two other owners must consent.

What if another owner lives at the property?

The owner living at the property may qualify as a resident elector. A different eligible owner who lives elsewhere in B.C. may also qualify as the NRPE, provided all requirements and the majority-consent rule are met.

What if the property is in my company's name?

You are not eligible. Corporations do not have voting rights, and an individual cannot vote based on property registered to a corporation or held in trust for a corporation or another trust.

Can a long-term leaseholder qualify?

A person may qualify as a registered owner if they hold a registered lease of the property for a term of at least 99 years.

Registering as a Non-Resident Property Elector

What to do, what to bring, and how to avoid delays

How do I register?

Advance registration Apply directly through the District Election Office while advance registration is open. For the 2026 General Local Election, advance registration closes August 25, 2026.	Registration when voting After advance registration closes, an eligible NRPE may register immediately before voting at either advance voting opportunity or on General Voting Day.
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What must I bring?

Completed application	Your full name; the property address or legal description; your mailing address; and either your date of birth or the last six digits of your Social Insurance Number. The application must be signed and witnessed.
Two pieces of identification	Both must show evidence of identity, and at least one must contain your signature.
Proof of ownership	A recent State of Title Certificate or current land title search is recommended because it confirms all registered owners and whether any owner is a corporation.
Consent form, if required	When there is more than one registered owner, submit the written consent of the required majority of owners.

Examples of acceptable identification

Bring at least two documents. At least one must contain your signature.

Identification and proof of property ownership are separate requirements.

• B.C. Driver's Licence	• B.C. CareCard or Gold CareCard
• B.C. Identification Card	• Social Insurance Number card or confirmation letter
• Photo or non-photo BC Services Card	• Canadian citizenship card
• Certificate of Indian Status or other federal status document	• Real property tax notice
• First Nation citizenship or membership card	• Credit card or debit card
• Métis Nation British Columbia citizenship card	• Qualifying utility bill
• ICBC Owner's Certificate of Insurance and Vehicle Licence	• Ministry Request for Continued Assistance Form SDES8

What should proof of ownership show?

A recent title document should show the property address or legal description, the applicant as a registered owner, all other registered owners, and whether the owners are individuals or corporations. A property tax notice or BC Assessment notice may not identify every registered owner and may not be sufficient on its own.

Questions or accessibility needs?

Contact the District of Lantzville Election Office before registering

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