

MAIL-IN VOTER KIT

The 2010 Municipal Election will be conducted using a mail-in ballot.

- Mail-in voter kits will be mailed to all electors during the week of **October 1st, 2010**.
- **If you do not receive a mail-in voter kit by October 8, 2010** please contact the City of Kawartha Lakes Election Office.
- Electors should **MAIL** their completed mail-in voter kits to the City of Kawartha Lakes Election Office between **October 1st to October 15th**.
- **Electors are encouraged to mail in their ballots**, however, electors may cast their completed mail-in voter kits during normal office hours at the Municipal Service Centres located in Bethany, Bobcaygeon, Coboconk, Kirkfield, Lindsay, Omemee and City Hall from October 1st to October 22nd.
- Any mail-in voter kits not mailed by the elector prior to October 15th should be hand delivered to City Hall or any of the Municipal Service Centres to ensure it will be received in time for Election Day.

On Election Day, **October 25, 2010**, the Victoria Park Armoury in Lindsay and the Fenelon Falls Seniors' Club will be the only locations available to hand deliver completed mail-in voter kits.

- **The mail-in voter kit you are mailed should be considered your only ballot.** If you choose to vote on Election Day, you **MUST** bring the complete mail-in voter kit you are mailed with you to the Victoria Park Armoury in Lindsay or the Senior's Club in Fenelon Falls.
- **There will be no traditional voting stations.**

Electors are encouraged to participate in the City of Kawartha Lakes Municipal Election by voting using their mail-in voter kit.

ADVANCE AND PROXY VOTES

As the City of Kawartha Lakes is using mail-in voter kits, there will be no advance voting dates or proxy voting.

Voters should check the contents of their mail-in voter kit. If any of the contents below are missing, they should call the Election Office during regular business hours Monday to Friday – 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 324-9411, Ext. 1255 or 1262.

A mail-in voter kit includes –

1. Ballot
2. Voting instructions
3. Voter Declaration Form
4. Secrecy Envelope (white)
5. Postage-paid reply envelope (yellow)

Ballots have been prepared for counting on electronic equipment and should not be folded in any manner other than as originally creased and as instructed below.

Tips for Completing your Ballot

1. Preferably use a pen with black ink to mark your ballot
2. Do not write anything else on the ballot, or secrecy envelope.
3. Insert the completed ballot in the secrecy envelope **AND SEAL**. Only include the ballot in the secrecy envelope.
4. Sign the Voter Declaration form and detach from instructions. **DO NOT PLACE THIS FORM IN THE SECRECY ENVELOPE.**
5. Place the sealed secrecy envelope and the completed voter declaration form into the return envelope. (only one secrecy envelope per reply envelope).

IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO VOTE

It is every electors right to vote where qualified. However, some electors may choose not to exercise this right. If this is the case, electors should destroy their ballot by shredding it. In this way, no one else can take away your right to vote or exercise this right on your behalf.