

1. What is a special ballot?

A special ballot, also known as a mail-in ballot, allows voters who can't attend an advance vote or the voting station on election day to still cast their vote. A special ballot package is mailed to the voter or picked up from the Town Administration Office, then returned to the Town.

2. Who can apply for a special ballot?

Anyone whose name is contained on the Permanent Electors Register and is unable to vote at an advance vote or at the voting station on election day may apply to vote by special ballot.

3. How do I get on the Permanent Electors Register?

You can check if you are registered to vote and add your name to the Permanent Electors Register through [voterlink](#) or by calling Elections Alberta at (780) 427-7191

4. How do I apply for a special ballot?

You may apply for a special ballot through one of the following options:

- In writing to: 4905-51 Ave, Stony Plain, AB, T7Z1Y1 Attn: Returning Officer
- By telephone: (780) 963-2151
- In-person at: 4905-51 Ave, Stony Plain
- By email at: election@stonyplain.com

Applications will be made available starting August 1, 2025. You must submit your application for a special ballot between August 1, 2025 and October 17, 2025.

5. How do I receive a special ballot?

When submitting your request, you may choose to have the special ballot:

- Mailed to your home address,
- Mailed to an alternate address (*E.g., for those working away, at school, on vacation, etc.*),
 - Packages mailed internationally and to remote locations in Canada will take more time for delivery. Electors in these areas should request their package as soon as possible to allow time for delivery.
- Picked up from the Town Administration Office, or
- Picked up by a designate at the Town Administration Office.

6. What do I do once I receive the special ballot package?

Review the special ballot package and the instructions.

Make sure that you have received:

- Special Ballots and their envelopes
- A Special Ballot Certificate Envelope (Form 25)
- A Return Envelope
- Instructions for how to complete your Special Ballot

If anything is missing or if you have questions, please call us at (780) 963-2151.

Just like in a voting station, you will complete the ballot(s) by marking an “X” next to the name of the candidate(s) you wish to vote for.

Special Ballots are the same as in-person ballots. You will be required to clearly make your mark beside the candidate(s) you wish to cast your vote for within the limits stated on the ballot.

You will receive separate ballots for:

- The municipal election (Mayor and Councillor).
 - School board trustee
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Assemble and return your package.

- Place only the ballots in the respective ballot envelopes and seal them.
 - Make a copy of your identification proving your name and current residential address.
 - Review and sign the Special Ballot Certificate Envelope that was sent with your package.
 - Place each ballot envelope into the signed Special Ballot Certificate Envelope (Form 25) and seal the envelope
 - Place a copy of your identification and the sealed Special Ballot Certificate Envelope (Form 25) into the Return Envelope and seal it.
 - Mail or return the Return Envelope to the Town Administration Office. It **MUST** be received before 4:30pm Monday, October 20, 2025.
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7. What happen to my special ballot once it is received by the Town.

When your special ballot package is received at the Town Administration Office, an election officer will open the Special Ballot Certificate Envelope to confirm that you have signed the declaration and sent in a copy of your identification.

Once these documents are confirmed, your sealed ballot envelope will be placed in the ballot box. Special ballots are counted on election day.

