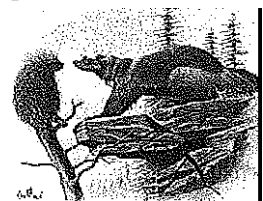


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PURPOSE

The purpose of this written election code customized for the Inuvik Native Band is as follows:

1. Ensure that the majority, of the electors understand and agree with the election procedures outlined in their code;
2. Minimize problems commonly encountered in electing Chiefs and Councilors;
3. Avoid possible challenges to a First Nation's election based on Section 15 of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*;
4. Allow for an appeal procedure whereby allegations of violations of the provisions of the election code may be decided upon;
5. Provide a mechanism whereby elected officials may be removed from office prior to the end of their term;
6. Include a procedure for amending the code as required to meet the Inuvik Native Band's changing circumstances; and
7. Meet the minimum standards for a leadership selection code set out in Sub-section 5(1) of the Government's proposed *First Nations Governance Act* (Bill C-7).

SOURCE DOCUMENTS

To assist in the preparation of this Inuvik Native Band election code, the following source documents have been used:

1. Bill C -7, House of Commons of Canada, First Nations Governance Act.
2. C.R.C., c. 952, Indian Band Election Regulations (pursuant to Indian Act).
3. Office of the Chief Municipal Elections Officer, MACA, GNWT, Guide to Local Authorities Elections, Returning Officer's Manual (pursuant to Local Authorities Elections Act) revised August, 2000.

This document shall be known as the ***Inuvik Native Band Election Code***.

<p>1. Definitions</p>	<p>1. "Candidate" means a person seeking election as a Council member/Chief. "Code" means the Inuvik Native Band Election Code. "Council" means the Inuvik Native Band Council and is comprised of one Chief and 8 Councilors. <i>"Councilor" means a member of Council that is not the Chief.</i> "Council Member" means the Chief or a Councilor. "DIANO" means the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs of the Federal Government. "Election Committee" means the impartial committee appointed by the existing Council to select the electoral staff, supervise the election process and decide on election appeals (Sections 15 and 16, Sections 64 to 70). "Election day" means the day set aside for the election of the Inuvik Native Band Council, in the year that the term of the previous Council comes to an end (Section 14) or, if an entire Council resigns or is removed from office pursuant to Sections 75 to 78, at a time determined by the majority of electors. "Elector" (also known as voter) means a person qualified to vote in the Inuvik Native Band Council elections (Section 10). "Electoral Assistant" means a person appointed to assist in the election pursuant to Section 47. "Electoral Staff" means the Electoral Officer (Section 19) and Deputy Electoral Officer (Section 20). "Employee" means a salaried person working for the Inuvik Native Band Council. "Existing Council" means the Inuvik Native Band Council in office prior to the election. GNWT means Government of the Northwest Territories. "Quorum"(The minimum number of Chief, Sub-Chief, and Councilors required to hold a meeting) Chief or Sub-Chief and four Councilors.) "Quorum of Assemblies" minimum of 20 members "Registered member" means a person whose name appears on the Indian Register and on the Inuvik Native Band's membership list as a member of the Inuvik Native Band.</p> <p>"Spoiled ballots" The following are spoiled ballots and are not counted: Any ballot that has any writing or marking except an X in the appropriate boxes. J> Any ballot with marks, markings not intended to be X's J> Any ballot with X's outside the appropriate boxes. J> Any ballot without the initial of at least two (2) members of the Election Committee. J> Any ballot found in the wrong ballot box J> Any ballot for Chief with more than one (1) X Any ballot for Council with more than eight (8) X's</p> <p>"Voting station" (also known as polling station) is a place set aside for voting in the community for resident electors to vote onelection day (Section 43). "Voting compartment" (also known as a voting or polling <i>booth</i>) is a place set aside in the voting station where an elector may cast a ballot</p>
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<p>2. Application and coming into force</p>	<p>2. Upon ratification by the electors as per Sections 81 and 82, this election code shall apply to all subsequent elections and by-elections for the positions of Chief and Councilor in the Inuvik Native Band.</p>
<p>3. Composition of Council</p>	<p>3. The Council of the Inuvik Native Band could consist of one Chief and 8 Councilors. One Councilor position shall be chosen by the Council, once elected, as Sub-Chief.</p>
<p>4. Term of Office</p>	<p>4. The term of office for all positions in the Inuvik Native Band Council shall be 3 years.</p>
<p>5. Vacancies on Council</p>	<p>5. A vacancy shall be declared on Council when a Council member</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) resigns his/her office; (2) is unable to continue his/her duties due to illness, disability or death; (3) becomes ineligible to hold office under Section 75; or (4) is removed from office under Sections 76 to 78.
<p>6. Vacancies on Council less than 6 months</p>	<p>6. If one or more vacancies occur less than six (6) months prior to the end of the Council's normal term of office it / they shall remain unfilled and the quorum of Council shall be reduced appropriately.</p>
<p>7. Procedures for filing vacancies longer than 6 months</p>	<p>7. Vacancies longer than six (6) months shall be ordered filled by Council either by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) appointing to fill the remainder of the term by the candidate who received the next highest number of votes in the previous election as per Sections 62 and 63; or (2) holding a by-election for the position.
<p>8. Exceptions</p>	<p>8. In case of a vacancy longer than six (6) months, created by the removal from office of a Council Member under Sections 76 to 78, the vacancy thus created must be filled by by-election.</p>
<p>9. Procedures for holding by-elections</p>	<p>9. The procedures for by-elections shall be the same as the procedures for elections provided for in this code.</p>

<p>10. Eligibility of Electors</p>	<p>10. To be eligible as an elector a person must be:</p> <p>(1) Subject to (2), a <u>registered member</u> of the Inuvik Native Band as listed on Status Indian Registry maintained by the DIANO unless there is a Band Council Resolution stating that the person wishing to be an Elector, has been accepted by the Inuvik Native Band, in which case the person need not be a registered Member as listed in the Status Indian Registry of DIANO,</p> <p>(2) If a person wishing to become an elector of the Inuvik Native Band came from a section 10, Indian Act band, a Band Council Resolution from the section 10 Band acknowledging the transfer of Band Membership is also required before the person may be accepted as an elector;</p> <p>(3) 18 years of age or over on election day; and</p> <p>(4) a Canadian citizen.</p>
<p>11. Eligibility of candidates for the position of Councilor</p>	<p>11. To be eligible as a candidate for the position of Councilor, a person must:</p> <p>(1) be a registered member of the Inuvik Native Band;</p> <p>(2) be 18 years of age or over on election day;</p> <p>(3) be a Canadian citizen;</p> <p>(4) be continuously resident in the community a minimum of six months prior to election day and ordinarily resident in the community;</p> <p>(5) not be an employee of the Inuvik Native Band unless, upon nomination, the employee takes leave without pay from the employee's position with the band and resigns from that position with the Inuvik Native Band if elected.</p> <p>(6) not be a member of the Election Committee appointed by the existing Council under Section 15 nor a person serving as Electoral Officer or Deputy Electoral Officer under Section 17.</p> <p>(7) not be convicted of or serving a sentence for an indictable offense as of nomination day; and</p> <p>(8) not be in debt to the Inuvik Native Band, including amounts for which the person has guaranteed or co-signed on behalf of another, for an amount of \$500.00 or more on which the person has not made a payments in accordance with the terms of the agreement governing the debt for 90 days or more prior to nomination day.</p>

<p>12. Eligibility of candidates for position of Chief</p>	<p>12. To be eligible as a candidate for the position of Chief, a person must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) be a registered member of the Inuvik Native Band; (2) be 18 years of age or over on election day; (3) be a Canadian citizen; (4) be continuously resident in the community a minimum of six months prior to election day and ordinarily resident in the community; (5) not be an employee of the Inuvik Native Band unless, upon nomination, the employee takes leave without pay from the employee's position with the band and resigns from that position with the Inuvik Native Band if elected. (6) not be a member of the Election Committee appointed by the existing Council under Section 15 nor a person serving as Electoral Officer or Deputy Electoral Officer under Section 17. (7) not be convicted of or serving a sentence for an indictable offense as of nomination day; and (8) not be in debt to the Inuvik Native Band, including amounts for which the person has guaranteed or co-signed on behalf of any other person, for an amount of \$500.00 or more on which the person has not made a substantive payment or restitution for 90 days or more prior to nomination day.
<p>13. Nomination of candidates for both Chief and Councilor</p>	<p>13. Qualified candidates may be nominated for either the position of Chief or that of Councilor but not both.</p>
<p>14. Date of Election</p>	<p>14. The date for the election of all positions on the Inuvik Native Band Council shall be the month of _____ in the year that the term of the previous Council comes to an end or, if an entire Council resigns or is removed from office pursuant to Sections 76 to 78, at a time determined by the majority of Inuvik Native Band electors.</p>
<p>15. Appointment of Election Committee</p>	<p>15. No later than 90 days before election day the existing Council shall appoint an impartial Election Committee, whose members shall be ineligible to be nominated for positions on the Council.</p>
<p>16. Duties of Election Committee</p>	<p>16. The duties of the Election Committee shall be to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) select a candidate who meets the qualifications outlined in Section 17 for each of the positions of Electoral Officer and Deputy Electoral Officer; (2) supervise all aspects of the election process to assure conformity with this code; and (3) act as an appeal board pursuant to Sections 23, 62 and Sections 65 to 67 to consider and decide upon all questions arising from the election, in conformity with this code.

<p>17. Qualifications of electoral staff candidates</p>	<p>17. Persons eligible to serve as Electoral Officer and Deputy Electoral Officer shall be fully knowledgeable about all aspects of this code; and shall not</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) be employees of the <i>Inuvik Native Band</i> except as Electoral Officer and Deputy Electoral Officer; nor (2) be eligible to be candidates for the positions of Chief or Councilor; nor (3) be eligible to vote in the election.
<p>18. Qualifications of electoral staff; approval of election budget</p>	<p>18. No later than 85 days before election day the existing Council shall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) appoint the persons selected by the Election Committee as Electoral Officer and Deputy Electoral Officer; (2) direct the Chief to sign the oath / affirmation of the electoral staff as per Appendix A; and (3) pass the necessary motion to approve a budget for all anticipated expenses related to the election.
<p>19. Duties of Electoral Officer</p> <p>20. Duties of Deputy Electoral Officer</p>	<p>19. The Electoral Officer shall have the authority and the responsibility to carry out all the duties specified for his/her position in this Code.</p> <p>20. The Deputy Electoral Officer shall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) have the authority and responsibility to carry out all the duties specified for the Electoral Officer's position in this Code delegated to him/her by the Electoral Officer; and (2) shall assume all the Electoral Officer's duties in the event of the latter's resignation or inability to act.
<p>21. Establishment of a List of Electors</p>	<p>21. No later than 80 days before election day the Electoral Officer shall compile a List of Electors comprised of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) all registered members of the <i>Inuvik Native Band</i> who are Canadian citizens, 18 years of age or over on election day and ordinarily resident in the community ("resident electors"); and (2) all registered members of the <i>Inuvik Native Band</i> who are Canadian citizens, 18 years of age or over on election day and not ordinarily resident in the community <u>for whom the existing Council has provided a last known address</u> ("non-resident electors").

<p>22. Publication of List of Electors</p>	<p>22. The Electoral Officer shall</p> <p>(1)) post copies of the List of Electors and the date of the election, hours of voting (Section 44) and place of the voting station (Section 43) in the <i>Inuvik Native Band's</i> office and other prominent places around the <i>community</i> and</p> <p>(2) mail an information bulletin which includes the date of the election, hours of voting and the place where non-resident electors must send their vote, to each non-resident elector by registered mail.</p>
<p>23. Changes to List of Electors</p>	<p>23. Any eligible elector or candidate may <i>apply to the Electoral Officer for changes to the List of Electors up to 5:00 PM on the day before Election Day.</i> If the elector or candidate is not satisfied with the decision of the Electoral Officer, he/she may <i>appeal that decision to the Election Committee, whose decision on the matter shall be final.</i></p>
<p>24. Eligibility to nominate candidates</p>	<p>24. Only electors as defined in Section 10 are eligible to nominate candidates for the positions of Chief and Councilor.</p>
<p>25. Limit on nominations</p>	<p>25. Each elector may nominate <i>only one candidate for the position of Chief and one candidate for the position of Councilor</i> but may second any number of nominations.</p>
<p>26. Procedures for nominations by non-resident electors</p>	<p>26. Non-resident electors may nominate candidates through the following mail-in procedure: Two (2) copies of the Nomination Form (<i>Appendix BJ</i>) shall be sent, along with two (2) copies of the Elector's Declaration Form (<i>Appendix DJ</i>) and a stamped envelope addressed to the <i>Inuvik Native Band</i> Electoral Officer, to every non-resident elector whose last address is known <i>no later than 75 days</i> before election day. A non-resident elector who wishes to nominate one or two candidates pursuant to Section 25 will be required to</p> <p>(1) fill out the Elector's Declaration Form (<i>Appendix DJ</i>) and <i>Part 1</i> of the Nomination Form(s) (<i>Appendix BJ</i>);</p> <p>(2) ensure that another qualified elector seconds the nomination(s) by filling out <i>Part 2</i> of the Nomination Form(s) (<i>Appendix BJ</i>) and filling out his/her own Elector's Declaration Form (<i>Appendix DJ</i>);</p> <p>(3) ensure that the candidate(s) consent(s) to the nomination by completing <i>Part 3</i> of the Nomination Form (<i>Appendix BJ</i>); and</p> <p>(4) ensure that <u>all</u> completed forms are mailed to the Electoral Officer (or faxed with the originals to follow) to be received on or before the close of nominations (Section 28).</p>

<p>27.Procedures for nominations by resident electors</p>	<p>27. (a) Resident electors may nominate candidates at any time following the posting of the List of Electors (Section 22) until the close of nominations (Section 28). Nominations must be in writing on a Nomination Form (Appendix B), obtainable from the Electoral Officer.</p> <p>(b) If the Inuvik Native Band wishes to conduct a <u>Nomination Meeting</u>, the date of that meeting shall be no later than 67 days before election day. At the Nomination Meeting electors may orally nominate and second the nomination of qualified candidates and candidates may orally indicate their consent provided that the nomination is confirmed in writing on the Nomination Form (Appendix BJ).</p>
<p>28.Close of - nominations</p>	<p>28. The close of nominations shall be at 5:00 PM no later than 66 days before Election Day.</p>
<p>29.Publication of the List of Candidates</p>	<p>29. Upon the close of nominations the Electoral Officer shall verify the validity of all nominations in accordance with this code and shall:</p> <p>(1) post a copy of List of Candidates, the date of the election, hours of voting (Section 44) and location of the voting station (Section 43) next to each posted List of Electors in the community as per Section 22; and</p> <p>(2) mail a copy of the above to each non-resident elector.</p>
<p>30.Withdrawal of Candidates</p>	<p>30. Candidates wishing to withdraw from the election must submit a written statement to that effect to the Electoral Officer no later than 5 working days after the close of nominations.</p>
<p>31.Candidates declared elected by acclamation</p>	<p>31. In the event that only one qualified candidate is nominated for the position of Chief and/or no more than seven (1) qualified candidates are nominated for the Councilors' positions by the close of nominations no election will be held for that/those position(s) and the Electoral Officer shall declare that/those candidate(s) ACCLAIMED on the appropriate form(s) (Appendices J and I or K).</p>
<p>32. Method of voting</p>	<p>32. An elector may vote <u>once</u> for the position of Chief and <u>once</u> for the positions of Councilor using <u>one</u> of the following methods:</p> <p>(1) voting <u>by</u> ballot in <u>person</u> during the hours and at the place designated by the Inuvik Native Band in the community of Inuvik on election day;</p> <p>(2) voting by mail-in ballot as described in Sections 39 and 41.</p>

33. Ballots for Chief	33. The Electoral Officer shall prepare ballots for the position of Chief listing the last names of candidates in alphabetical order on a sheet of paper of a specific colour as shown in Appendix C(1) .
34. Ballots for Councilors	34. The Electoral Officer shall prepare ballots for the Councilor positions listing the last names of candidates in alphabetical order on a sheet of paper as shown in Appendix C(2) .
35. Additional identifying data	35. If two or more candidates share the same name the Electoral Officer may add such additional information to the ballot as he/she deems necessary to distinguish between them.
36. Photos of Candidates	36. If approved within the previous Council's election budget, the Electoral Officer may arrange for a photo of each candidate to appear beside his/her name.
37. Number of Ballots	37. The Electoral Officer shall (1) prepare twenty percent (20%) more ballots for the positions of Chief and Councilors than the number of eligible residential and non-residential electors on the List of Electors (Section 21); (2) count all the ballots so prepared; and (3) store them in a safe place prior to use.
38. Elector's Declaration Forms	38. The Electoral Officer shall prepare, a sufficient number of Elector's Declaration Forms (Appendix D), to be used by all non-resident and resident electors who may wish to vote by mail-in ballot.
39. Mail-in ballot procedure for non-resident electors	39. No later than 56 days before election day the Electoral Officer shall mail to every resident elector that advises the Electoral Officer that they will be absent on election day and to every non-resident elector a mail-in ballot kit consisting of: (1) a ballot for the position of Chief (Appendix C (1)) folded and signed on the outside by the Electoral Officer; (2) a ballot for the positions of Councilor (Appendix C (2)) folded and signed on the outside by the Electoral Officer; (3) an envelope large enough to hold the ballots marked BALLOT ; (4) an Elector's Declaration Form (Appendix DJ); (5) a stamped envelope large enough to hold items as per 1 to 4 above addressed to the Inuvik Native Band Electoral Officer; and; (6) a letter as shown in Appendix E inviting anyone who wishes to vote by mail to contact the Electoral Officer for the necessary forms. (7) The Electoral Officer

<p>40. Preparation of Voters' Register</p>	<p>40. No later than 55 days before Election Day the Electoral Officer shall prepare a Voters' Register (Appendix F). Should any changes occur in the List of Electors pursuant to Section 23, the Electoral Officer shall make identical changes to the Voters' Register (Appendix F).</p>
<p>41. Procedure for receiving mail-in ballots</p>	<p>41.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) As each mail-in ballot is received, The Electoral Officer shall verify the information on the Elector's Declaration Form (Appendix D); (2) indicate on the Voters' Register (Appendix F) that the elector's mail-in ballot has been received and cross off the elector's name; and (3) store the <u>unopened</u> BALLOT envelope in a safe place until Election Day.
<p>42. Campaigning by Candidates</p>	<p>42. Candidates may campaign openly <i>in the community</i> and to reach non-resident electors up to the day before Election Day.</p>
<p>43. Provisions of a Voting Station</p>	<p>43. The existing Council shall provide a place <i>in the community</i> for voting on election day ("voting station") which has</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) easy access for all resident electors, including those who are handicapped; (2) an entry door through which access can be controlled when the hours of voting are over; and (3) access for electoral staff and assistants to washrooms.
<p>44. Hours of voting at voting station</p>	<p>44. The hours of voting at the voting station shall be from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM on Election Day.</p>
<p>45. Duties of the Electoral Officer one day prior to Election Day</p>	<p>45. On the day before election day the Electoral Officer shall</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Appoint and swear in, using the wording in Appendix G, any persons deemed to be necessary, to provide assistance to electors during the hours of voting including, but not limited to voting station clerks, interpreters and drivers ("Electoral Assistants"); (2) prepare the final Voters' Register; and (3) ensure that the following physical facilities, supplies and equipment for voting are in place in the voting station: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • tables and chairs for all voting station clerks; • chairs for assistants and candidates' representatives, • ballots; • ballot boxes; • a copy of the Voters' Register (Appendix F) for each voting station clerk; • tallying sheets;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a sign, prominently displayed, listing Electoral Offences (Appendix H); • an Election Results form for the position of Chief (Appendix J) and one for Councilors' Positions (Appendix K); • voting compartments with instructions posted for voting; and • pencils / pens to mark ballots.
<p>46. Procedure prior to opening of voting station</p>	<p>46. Prior to the opening of the voting station the Electoral Officer shall sign the oath / affirmation of all candidates' representatives present as per Appendix I;</p> <p>(1) ensure that any campaign material from any candidate is removed from the voting station;</p> <p>(2) open all ballot boxes to show to those who are present that they are empty;</p> <p>(3) close and seal all ballot boxes;</p> <p>(4) retrieve and open each mail-in ballot received;</p> <p>(5) verify that the name of each elector who submitted a mail-in ballot has been crossed off the Voters' Register (Appendix F);</p> <p>(6) verify his/her signature on the outside of each folded ballot; and</p> <p>(7) without unfolding the ballot, insert each into the ballot box.</p>
<p>47. Opening the voting station</p>	<p>47. At the published opening time the Electoral Officer shall open the door of the voting station to allow voting to begin.</p>
<p>48. Procedure for obtaining a ballot</p>	<p>48. As each elector reaches a voting clerk's table, the voting clerk shall cross off the elector's name on the Voters' Register (Appendix F) as having received a Chief's and a Councilors' ballot;</p> <p>(1) fold the ballots so that the candidates' names are on the inside;</p> <p>(2) initial each ballot on the outside and hand it to the elector;</p> <p>(3) provide the elector with an interpreter if necessary; and</p> <p>(4) direct the elector to a voting compartment.</p>
<p>49. Procedure for marking a ballot</p>	<p>49. Upon reaching the voting compartment, the elector shall place a mark (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) in the box opposite the candidate (for Chief) and candidates (for Councilor) of his/her choice <u>which does not identify him/her as the voter</u>;</p> <p>(1) fold the ballots in the same way they were received; and</p> <p>(2) return them folded to the voting clerk from whom they were received.</p>

50. Procedure for returning a ballot	<p>50. Upon receiving the folded ballots, the voting clerk shall</p> <p>(1) verify his/her initials on the outside of the ballot;</p> <p>(2) mark the ballot as returned on the Voters' Register (Appendix F); and</p> <p>(3) place the folded ballot into the ballot box.</p>
51. Elector unable to mark ballots	<p>51. If an elector is unable to mark the ballots, he/she received due to an impairment, the Electoral Officer may authorize a person to assist the elector and shall instruct the voting clerk to note that fact in the Voters' Register (Appendix F).</p>
52. Elector marks ballot by mistake	<p>52. If an elector marks a ballot by mistake, he/she may return the ballot to the voting clerk who shall</p> <p>(1) mark the ballot as CANCELLED and place it in a separate envelope;</p> <p>(2) indicate the receipt and cancellation of the ballot on the Voters' Register (Appendix F); and</p> <p>(3) provide the elector with a second ballot.</p>
53. Closing the voting station	<p>53. At the published closing time the Electoral Officer shall</p> <p>(1) close the door of the voting station; and</p> <p>(2) allow only those electors to vote who are already inside the voting station.</p>
54. Procedure following voting	<p>54. After all remaining electors have voted and left the voting station the Electoral Officer shall</p> <p>(1) invite any candidates' representatives present to witness the ballot count;</p> <p>(2) verify that the seals on the ballot boxes are intact;</p> <p>(3) direct the ballot boxes to be opened;</p> <p>(4) supervise the counting and tallying of each ballot for the position of Chief; and</p> <p>(5) supervise the counting and tallying of each ballot for the Councilors' positions.</p>
55. Examination and recording of ballots for Chief	<p>55. As each ballot for Chief is opened the voting clerk shall ensure that all those witnessing the counting of ballots can clearly see how it is marked and</p> <p>(1) record the vote on a tallying sheet beside each candidate's name;</p> <p>(2) place each valid ballot in a separate pile for each candidate; and</p> <p>(3) if a ballot is spoiled, place it in a separate pile for spoiled Chiefs ballots.</p>

<p>56. Examination and recording ballots for Councilors</p>	<p>56. As each ballot for Councilors is opened the voting clerk shall ensure that all those witnessing the counting of ballots can clearly see how it is marked and</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) record the votes for all candidates, if 7 or more, on a tallying sheet beside the candidates' names; (2) place all valid ballots in one pile; and (3) place all spoiled ballots for Councilors in a separate pile.
<p>57. Tie votes for position of Chief</p>	<p>57. Should the highest number of ballots cast for two or more candidates for Chief be equal, the Electoral Officer shall</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) conduct a recount; (2) if all satisfied with recount and still tie vote the Electoral Officer shall call for a byelection; (3) the Electoral officer will set a date for the by-election within two weeks;
<p>58. Tie votes for position of Councilor</p>	<p>58. Should one or more candidates for the position of Councilor receive the same number of ballots as the candidate with the <i>ih</i> lowest number of ballots, the Electoral Officer shall</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) conduct a recount; (2) if all satisfied with recount and still tie vote the Electoral Officer shall call for a by-election; (3) the Electoral officer will set a date for the by-election to be conducted within two weeks of the original election day where there is no appeal of the results or within 21 days after the Elections Committee denies any appeal in respect of the election which bears upon the need for a by-election;
<p>59. Record of votes for Chief's position</p> <p>60. Record of votes for Councilors' position</p> <p>61. Entitlement to administrative recount</p>	<p>59. After all the ballots for the Chief's position have been counted, the Electoral Officer shall direct that the votes be recorded and the elected candidate declared as shown in Appendix J.</p> <p>60. After all the ballots for the Councilors' positions have been counted, the Electoral Officer shall direct that the votes be recorded and the elected candidates declared as shown in Appendix K.</p> <p>61. Any candidate whose margin of loss is one (1) vote or one percent (1%) of the total number of votes cast (whichever is greater) shall be entitled to an administrative recount which shall, if requested by the candidate, be carried out by the Electoral Officer immediately after the recording of the votes.</p>

62. Entitlement of recount by Election Committee	62. If a candidate is not satisfied with the results of the administrative recount as provided for in Section 61, he/she is entitled to a recount by the <i>Election Committee</i> , whose decision shall be final, <i>no later than the day after Election Day.</i>
63. Publication of preliminary election results	63. When the changes from any recounts as provided for in Sections 61 and 62 have been incorporated into the ballot counts the Electoral Officer shall publish the Preliminary Election Results for the Chief's and Councilors' positions (<i>Appendices J and K</i>) in the manner provided for in Section 22.
64. Election appeals	64. Any elector or candidate may appeal the results of the elections held on Election Day if he/she believes that an Electoral Offence had been committed as specified in <i>Appendix H.</i>
65. Procedure for appeals	65. The appellant must present the appeal in writing stating the circumstances and specifying the Electoral Offence(s) which he/she believes have been committed to the Election Committee within <i>twenty-one (21) days</i> after Election Day.
66. Consideration of appeal by Election Committee	66. The Election Committee shall investigate the circumstances of the appellant's allegation and decide within <i>twenty-eight (28) days</i> after election day (1) whether the allegation is based in fact; and (2) if so, whether it is sufficiently serious to nullify any part of or the entire election.
67. New Election	67. If the Election Committee decides that the offence(s) committed are sufficiently serious it may order that the result of the election be declared null and void and that a new election be held in its place, in accordance with the provisions of this code.
68. Publication of election results	68. When all appeals have been dealt with the Electoral Officer shall publish the official results of the election in the manner indicated in Section 22, as shown in <i>Appendices J and K</i> with any amendments resulting from the appeals and with the word " <i>PRELIMINARY</i> " replaced with the word " <i>OFFICIAL</i> " in the title.
69. Assumption of office by new Council	69. The newly elected Chief and Council shall assume office within one week after the official results of the election are posted. The outgoing Chief and Council will swear in the newly elected Council members at a Council meeting held for that purpose.

<p>70. Notification of authorities</p>	<p>70. Upon publication of the official results, the existing Council shall notify DIAND's regional office and appropriate GNWT authorities accordingly and indicate the date when the new Council is to take office.</p>
<p>71. Oath of office for Chief and Councilors</p>	<p>71. On the day the new Council takes office each newly elected (reelected or acclaimed) member shall be required to take and sign an Oath of Office before an appropriate authority as required by the custom of the <i>Inuvik Native Band</i>.</p>
<p>72. Authority of new Council</p>	<p>72. A Council duly elected under the provisions of this code which has assumed office as stated in Sections 69 and 70 shall be deemed to be the lawful body representing the members of the <i>Inuvik Native Band</i> with all the powers and authority pertaining thereto.</p>
<p>73. Destruction of ballots and election materials</p>	<p>73. The Electoral Officer shall seal and retain ballots and all other documents pertaining to the election for a period of <i>eight (8) weeks</i> after Election Day. If there are no appeals or court challenges, the new Council shall order them destroyed in the presence of two witnesses. If there are appeals or court challenges, the ballots will be held until all appeals or court challenges are completed.</p>
<p>74. Ineligibility of elected Council members to hold office</p>	<p>74. An elected member of the <i>Inuvik Native Band</i> Council shall become ineligible to hold office if he/she</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) accepts a position as an employee of the <i>Inuvik Native Band</i>; (2) is convicted of an <i>indictable</i> offence under any Federal or Territorial Statute, while in office; or (3) misses three (3) or more consecutive regular Council meetings without the approval of Council.
<p>75. Council shall declare a vacancy</p>	<p>75. If an elected member of the <i>Inuvik Native Band</i> Council becomes ineligible to hold office, Council may declare a vacancy for his/her position and fill that vacancy in accordance with Sections 6 and 7.</p>
<p>76. Removal of an elected member of Council for other reasons</p>	<p>76. An elected Council Member of the Inuvik Native Band Council may be removed from office by the electors of the Inuvik Native Band for any other reason only if the following actions have been taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) A petition asking for the removal of the elected Council Member and stating the reasons for it is signed by at least forty percent (40%) of all Inuvik Native Band electors (resident and non-resident); and (2) A subsequent referendum is held on the question of declaring the Council Member position vacant and the calling of a by-election.

<p>77.Referendum to declare position vacant</p>	<p>77. The procedures for a referendum held pursuant to Sub-section 76(2) shall be the same as those for an election provided for in this code with the exception that the ballot shall be as shown in Appendix L.</p>
<p>78.Majority agreement required</p>	<p>78. In order to declare the Council Member's position vacant and to call a by-election to fill the vacancy, the majority of electors voting must agree to the referendum.</p>
<p>79. Procedures for amending this code</p>	<p>79. If changing circumstances require that this code be amended, the existing Council shall</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) direct that the draft amendments be prepared and published in the manner prescribed in Section 22, along with a written invitation to electors to provide written or oral input into the changes up to 5:00 PM no later than 66 days before the day of voting on the amendments; (2) provide a copy of the draft amendments to any resident or non-resident elector who requests it. (3) incorporate the changes in the amendments suggested by the electors as it deems advisable; (4) post and send out the final version of the amendments as provided for in Section 22; (5) provide a copy of the final version of the amendments to any resident or non-resident elector who requests it; (6) appoint a Referendum Officer and Deputy Referendum Officer with similar qualifications and duties as an Electoral Officer and Deputy Electoral Officer (Sections 16 to 20); and (7) conduct a referendum on the final version of the amendments using the same procedures as for an election under this code with the exception that the ballot shall be as shown in Appendix M.
<p>80. Amendments adopted</p>	<p>80. If the majority of electors voting in the referendum agree with the final version of the amendments, Council shall declare the amendments adopted.</p>

<p>81. Procedures for ratifying this code</p>	<p>81. When the existing <i>Inuvik Native Band</i> Council has developed a draft code which it believes to be suitable to the needs of its electors, it shall</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) direct that the draft code be published in the manner prescribed in Section 22, along with a written invitation to electors to provide written or oral input into the changes up to 5:00 PM no later than 66 days before the day of voting on the code. (2) provide a copy of the draft code to any resident or non-resident elector who requests it. (3) incorporate the changes in the draft code suggested by the electors as it deems advisable; (4) post and send out the final version of the code as provided for in Section 22; (5) provide a copy of the final version of the code to any resident or non-resident elector who requests it; (6) appoint a Referendum Officer and Deputy Referendum Officer with similar qualifications and duties as an Electoral Officer and Deputy Electoral Officer (Sections 16 to 20); and (7) conduct a referendum on the final version of the code using the same procedures as for an election under this code with the exception that the ballot shall be as shown in <i>Appendix N</i>.
<p>82. Election Code adopted</p>	<p>82. If the majority of electors voting in the referendum agree with the final version of the code, the existing Council shall declare the <i>Inuvik Native Band Election Code</i> adopted.</p>

DECLARATION OF ADOPTION OF ELECTION CODE

This Election Code for the *Jnuvik Native Band* was duly ratified by the majority of the *Jnuvik Native Band's* electors this _____ day of 20__ and is hereby declared adopted.

Signature of Chief
Jnuvik Native Band

Signature of Referendum Officer
Jnuvik Native Band

APPENDICES

Appendix A

OATH / AFFIRMATION OF ELECTORAL STAFF

1. ELECTORAL OFFICER

I, _____ (Name) swear (or affirm) that I will carry out the duties specified for my office in **the Inuvik Native Band Election Code** in respect of this election fairly and impartially and will not knowingly commit any election offence specified in the **Inuvik Native Band Election Code**.

Signature of Electoral Officer _____

Sworn/ Affirmed before me this ____ day of _____ month, -- ear

Signature of Chief of Existing Council

2. DEPUTY ELECTORAL OFFICER

I, _____ (Name) swear (or affirm) that I will carry out my duties as directed by the Electoral Officer in respect of this election fairly and impartially and will not knowingly commit any election offence specified in the **Inuvik Native Band Election Code**.

Signature of Deputy Electoral Officer _____

Sworn/ Affirmed before me this ____ day of _____ month, -- ear

Signature of Chief of Existing Council

Appendix B

NOMINATION FORM

PART 1. I, _____ (Name of Nominator), being a qualified elector of the **Inuvik Native Band** do hereby nominate _____ (Name of Candidate) for the position of _____ (Chief or Councilor or believing him/her to be qualified as a candidate for this position. I understand that, for this nomination to be valid, the above candidate must agree to it in writing below,

Signature of Nominator

Date _____

Signature of Witness / Secunder

Date _____

PART 2. I, _____ (Name of Secunder), being a qualified elector of the **Inuvik Native Band** do hereby second the nomination of _____ (Name of Candidate) for the position of _____ (Chief or Councilor or Chief and Councilor), believing him/her to be qualified as a candidate for this position. I understand that, for this nomination to be valid, the above candidate must agree to it in writing below.

Signature of Secunder

Date _____

Signature of Witness / Nominator

Date _____

PART 3. I, _____ (Name of Candidate) being a qualified candidate for the position(s) of _____ do hereby consent to the above nomination.

Signature of Candidate

Date _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO NON-RESIDENT ELECTORS USING MAIL-IN PROCEDURE:

Ensure that all 3 parts of this form are completed and return, together with completed **Elector's Declaration Forms**, to the **Inuvik Native Band** Electoral Officer in the enclosed stamped envelope by **5:00 PM** _____

Appendix C(1)

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR POSITION OF CHIEF

Vote for ONE (1) ONLY by marking X in the box beside the candidate's name. Note: Marking ballot in any way that can identify the voter OR voting for more than one candidate will spoil ballot.

Name _____ 1

Name _____ 1

Name _____ 1

Name _____ 1

Instructions for electors voting in person:

1. After marking ballot fold ballot as received to show initials on the outside and return to election official.
2. Watch election official deposit ballot in ballotbox.

Instructions for electors voting by mail-in ballot:

1. Fold ballot as received to show Electoral Officer's initials on the outside, place in envelope marked **BALLOT together with ballot for Councilors** and seal envelope.
2. Place sealed **BALLOT** envelope, together with completed **Elector's Declaration Form** in stamped envelope addressed to **Inuvik Native Band** Electoral Officer.
3. Mail stamped envelope to **Inuvik Native Band** Electoral Officer.

Appendix C(2)

Inuvik Native Band Elections 2003

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR 8 COUNCILOR POSITIONS

Vote for UP TO eight (8) ONLY by marking X in the box beside the candidates' names. Note: Marking ballot in a way that identifies the voter OR voting for more than eight candidates will s) c. i/ ballot.

Name i
Name i
Name i
Name i
Name i
Name i
Name 1

Instructions for electors voting in person:

- 1. Antc cJrking baHotfold ballot as received to show initials on the outside and
- 2. tss m °e:ii %ki i eposit ballot in ballot box.

Instructions for electors voting by mail-in ballot:

- 1. (>. to)dbi11oi sreceived to show Electoral Officer's initials on the outside, place in envelope marked **BALLOT together with ballot for Chief** and seal env IC)pe.
- 2. :: PlacE3 ;>l:l:il d **BALLOT** envelope, together with completed **Elector's Dec:l1tratJoi:1Fornrin** stamped envelope addressed to **Inuvik Native Band** El doral Offi9er.
- 3. :: **M il** stamped envelope to **Inuvik Native Band** Electoral Officer.

Appendix D

ELECTOR'S DECLARATION FORM

I, _____ (Name of Elector) hereby declare that I am

- a. the person to whom this form was sent;
- b. a registered member of the ***Inuvik Native Band***, Band / Indian Status Number _____
- c. 18 years of age or over on _____ ; and
- d. a Canadian citizen.

Declared before _____ (Name of Witness over 18 years of age).

Signature of Elector

Date _____

Signature of Witness

Date: _____

Address of Witness: _____

Telephone Number _____

After completing this form, insert into envelope addressed to ***Inuvik Native Band***
Electoral Officer

1. with **completed mail-in Nomination Form** if nominating a candidate; or
2. with **sealed envelope marked BALLOT** if voting by mail-in ballot.

Appendix E

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT ELECTORS RE: Mail-in Ballots

INUVIK NATIVE BAND ELECTION

Dear Elector:

You have just received a mail-in ballot kit, which will allow you to vote at the above election using the mail-in ballot procedure provided for in our election code. If you wish to use this method of voting, please follow the directions on the forms carefully to assure that your vote is received in time and your right to a secret vote is protected.

If you require further information or clarification, please contact:

**The Electoral Officer
Inuvik Native Band
190
P.O. BOX 2020
INUVIK, NT X0E 0T0
Telephone: 867-777-5868 Fax: 867-777-4971**

The mail in ballots must be received by the elections officer by _____
Please ensure that you allow adequate time for mail to be delivered to the elections officer.

Sincerely,

_____(Signature)

Electoral Officer
Inuvik Native Band

Appendix F

VOTERS' REGISTER

Name as on List of Electors	Resident (N)on-res,	Received Ballot (Y)	Returned Ballot (Y)	Type of Vote cast -Regular - Mail-in	Objection (if any)	Name of Objector	Other Comments
Able, AlptleAse	R	y	y	Regular			A.K.A. Able, Johnny.
Able, ,.lplieAse	R	y	y	Regular			A.K.A.Able, James
Name3							
Bea"lie", ████	R	y	y	Regular			Elector blind; assisted by interpreter
Name5							
Name6							
M"F<leeti, RGSe	N	y	y	Mail-in			Born Vita Rose
Names							
Name9							
Name10							
Name11							

Name as on List of Electors	Resident (N)on-res.	Received Ballot (Y)	Returned Ballot (Y)	Type of Vote cast -Regular - Mail-in	Objection (if any)	Name of Objector	Other Comments
Name12							
Name 13							
+Aemas, Greg	R	y					Attending University; Ballot unused

Appendix G

OATH / AFFIRMATION OF ELECTORAL ASSISTANTS AT VOTING STATION

I, _____ (Name of Electoral Assistant),
serving as (check one):

- Voting Station Clerk 1
- Interpreter 1
- Driver 1
- Other (Specify) _____ 1

swear (or affirm) that I will carry out my duties as requested by the Electoral Officer to the best of my ability and not knowingly commit any election offence as specified in the ***Jnuvik Native Band Election Code***.

Signature of Assistant: _____

Sworn/ Affirmed before me this ___ day of _____ --

Signature of Electoral Officer

Appendix H

ELECTORAL OFFENCES

Under the ***Inuvik Native Band Election Code*** it is an offence for an elector, candidate, candidate's representative or electoral assistant to

1. influence or attempt to influence an elector to vote or not vote for some candidate(s) by means of libel, bribery, threats, force or intimidation;
2. Intentionally direct an elector with an impairment to vote for any candidate other than the one(s) he/she chooses;
3. impersonate another elector in order to vote;
4. vote twice or attempt to vote twice except as provided for in the code (i.e., receive a second ballot to replace one that has been cancelled);
5. campaign in any way in or near the Voting Station on Election Day on behalf of a candidate;
6. use or attempt to use any form of ballot other than the one issued by the Electoral Officer or Voting Clerk;
7. intentionally remove ballots from the Voting Station;
8. intentionally disrupt the orderly conduct of the electoral process inside the Voting Station; or
9. assist another person to commit an election offence.
10. to harass or hinder the electoral officers

Under the ***Inuvik Native Band Election Code*** it is also an offence for the Electoral Officer, Deputy Electoral Officer or Voting Clerk to

1. knowingly unfold and examine any returned ballot prior to depositing it in the ballot box;
2. divulge information to anyone as to how an elector voted;
3. neglect, fail or refuse to carry out his/her duties under this code.

Note: A perceived offence under this code is grounds for appealing the validity of the election of any candidate to the Election Committee as provided for in the code.

Appendix I

APPOINTMENT OF CANDIDATE'S REPRESENTATIVE

I, _____ (Name of Candidate), being a qualified candidate in the **Inuvik Native Band Election** of _____, do hereby appoint _____ (Name of Representative) to act as my representative in this election.

Signature of Candidate

Date: _____

OATH / AFFIRMATION OF CANDIDATE'S REPRESENTATIVE

I, _____ (Name of Candidate's Representative) swear (or affirm) that I will carry out my responsibilities in accordance with the **Inuvik Native Band Election Code** and will not knowingly commit any election offence specified in the Code.

Signature of Candidate's Representative

Sworn / Affirmed before me this ____ day of _____ --

Signature of Electoral Officer

Appendix J

PRELIMINARY ELECTION RESULTS FOR CHIEF'S POSITION

1. TOTAL NUMBER OF BALLOTS

- 2. BALLOTS CAST FOR ELECTED 1 VOTES
- 3. BALLOTS CAST FOR NOT- ELECTED 1 VOTES
- 4. BALLOTS CAST FOR NOT-ELECTED I VOTES
- 5. BALLOTS CAST FOR NOT- ELECTED 1 VOTES
- 6. TOTAL NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST (2+3+4+5)..... _____
- 7. CANCELLED BALLOTS _____
- 8. SPOILED BALLOTS _____
- 9. UNUSED BALLOTS..... _____

TOTAL OF ALL BALLOTS ACCOUNTED FOR (6+7+8+9)

Certified correct by:

Signature of Electoral Officer Date

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NOTE TO ELECTORS AND CANDIDATES: The above preliminary results are subject to appeal by any elector or candidate who believes an Electoral Offence has been committed as defined by the ***Inuvik Native Band Election Code***. Contact the Electoral Officer for details.

Appendix K

PRELIMINARY ELECTION RESULTS FOR COUNCILORS' POSITIONS

1. TOTAL NUMBER OF BALLOTS

2. BALLOTS CAST FOR _____	ELECTED 1	VOTES
3. BALLOTS CAST FOR _____	ELECTED 1	VOTES
4. BALLOTS CAST FOR _____	ELECTED 1	VOTES
5. BALLOTS CAST FOR _____	ELECTED 1	VOTES
6. BALLOTS CAST FOR _____	ELECTED 1	VOTES
7. BALLOTS CAST FOR _____	ELECTED 1	VOTES
8. BALLOTS CAST FOR _____	ELECTED 1	VOTES
9. BALLOTS CAST FOR _____	ELECTED 1	VOTES
10. BALLOTS CAST FOR _____	ELECTED 1	VOTES
11. BALLOTS CAST FOR ----	ELECTED 1	VOTES _
12. TOTAL NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST		_____
13. CANCELLED BALLOTS		_____
14. SPOILED BALLOTS		=====
15. UNUSED BALLOTS		=====

TOTAL OF ALL BALLOTS ACCOUNTED FOR (12+13+14+15)

Certified correct by:

Signature of Electoral Officer

Date _____

NOTE TO ELECTORS AND CANDIDATES:

The above preliminary results are subject to appeal by any elector or candidate who believes an Electoral Offence has been committed as defined by the ***Inuvik Native Band Election Code***. Contact the Electoral Officer for details.

Appendix L

OFFICIAL BALLOT TO REMOVE ELECTED OFFICIAL FROM OFFICE

Do we have to have a vote for this or can the Community Assembly decide?
At least forty percent (40%) of the electors of the *Inuvik Native Band* have endorsed a petition to remove the following elected official from the *Inuvik Native Band* Council for the reasons stated on the petition,

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I understand that if this referendum is agreed to by a majority of *Inuvik Native Band* electors the position will be declared vacant and a by-election will be held to fill the vacancy.

Note to electors: Mark your ballot with X in the box opposite your choice.

I AGREEi

I DO NOT AGREE..... i

with the removal of this person from office and the holding of a by-election to fill the vacancy.

.....
Instructions for electors voting in person:

1. Fold ballot as received to show initials on the outside and return to election official.
2. Watch election official deposit ballot in ballot box.

Instructions for electors voting by mail-in ballot:

1. Fold ballot as received to show Electoral Officer's initials on the outside, place in envelope marked **BALLOT** and seal envelope.
2. Place sealed **BALLOT** envelope, together with completed **Elector's Declaration Form** in stamped envelope addressed to *Inuvik Native Band* Electoral Officer.
3. Mail stamped envelope to *Inuvik Native Band* Electoral Officer.

Appendix M

REFERENDUM - (Date of Referendum)

OFFICIAL BALLOT TO APPROVE ELECTION CODE AMENDMENTS

Having had the opportunity to provide input into the proposed amendments to the **Inuvik Native Band Election Code**, I have reviewed the final version of the amendments to the code and hereby declare that

(Note to electors: Mark your ballot with X in the box opposite your choice.)

I AGREE 1

I DO NOT AGREE..... 1

with the amendments proposed.

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Instructions for electors voting in person:

- 1. Fold ballot as received to show initials on the outside and return to election official.
- 2. Watch election official deposit ballot in ballotbox.

Instructions for electors voting by mail-in ballot:

- 1. Fold ballot as received to show Electoral Officer's initials on the outside, place in envelope marked **BALLOT** and seal envelope.
- 2. Place sealed **BALLOT** envelope, together with completed **Elector's Declaration Form** in stamped envelope addressed to **Inuvik Native Band** Electoral Officer.
- 3. Mail stamped envelope to **Inuvik Native Band** Electoral Officer.

Appendix N

Inuvik Native Band Election Code

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR RATIFICATION OF ELECTION CODE

Having had the opportunity to provide input into the proposed *Inuvik Native Band Election Code*, I have reviewed the final version of the code and hereby declare that

(Note to electors: Mark your ballot with X in the box opposite your choice.)

I AGREE i

I DO NOT AGREE i

with the code as proposed,

Instructions for electors voting in person:

1. Fold ballot as received to show initials on the outside and return to election official,
2. Watch election official deposit ballot in ballot box.

Instructions for electors voting by mail-in ballot:

1. Fold ballot as received to show Electoral Officer's initials on the outside, place in envelope marked **BALLOT** and seal envelope.
2. Place sealed **BALLOT** envelope, together with completed **Elector's Declaration Form** in stamped envelope addressed to *Inuvik Native Band* Electoral Officer.
3. Mail stamped envelope to *Inuvik Native Band* Electoral Officer.

Appendix O

ELECTION CALENDAR FOR INUVIK NATIVE BAND

(Note: This electoral calendar assumes that all regular Council elections are held on the third Monday in April)

YEAR	2003
Election Day	
LAST DAY FOR: (Section)	
Appointment of Election Committee (15)	90 days before election
Appointment of EO and DEO; approval of election budget (18)	85 days before election
Establishment and publication of List of Electors & 22) (21)	80 days before election
Mail out of Nomination Forms & proxy letters to non-resident electors (26)	75 days before election
Holding of Nomination Meeting (27)	67 days before election
Close of Nominations (5:00 PM) (28)	66 days before election
Withdrawal of candidates 5:00PM (30)	61 days before election
Mail out of mail-in ballot kits to non-resident electors (39)	56 days before election
Preparation of Voters' Register (40)	55 days before election
Campaigning by candidates (44)	55 days before election
Pre-election tasks for EO (47)	1 day before election
Election Day (14)	
Vote recount by Election Committee (if requested) (65)	1 day after election
Submission of election appeals (68)	21 days after election
Ruling on election appeals by Election Committee (69)	28 days after election

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Assumption of office by new Council (72)	7 days after election	
Destruction of ballots and election materials (76)	56 days after election	