

# **Appointment of Scrutineer by Candidate**

Municipal Elections Act, 1996

Candidates may appoint Scrutineers to represent them, by completing this form in accordance with subsection 16(5) of the Act. Scrutineers must show their written appointment form to Election Officials upon entry and upon request in accordance with subsection 16(6) of the Act.

TAK	(E NOTICE that I,		
	(Print Nam	ne of Candidate)	
a ca	ndidate for the office of		
		lection is being sought)	
here	eby appoint		
	(Print Nam	ne of Scrutineer)	
to at	ttend all Voting Places within the Municipality $\; \Box$ (Che	ck Here), <u>or</u>	
to at	ttend at the following Voting Place(s) for Voting Subdiv	rision No.(s) (attach additional list if nee	eded)
	Voting Place Name	Voting Subdivision	
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to re	epresent me in such Voting Place(s) as indicated which	n may include Advance Voting. Voting	Dav.
	- , , , ,		<b>,</b>
and	at the tabulation of votes under the Municipal Election	s Act, 1996.	
Signature of Candidate		Date	

Original – to be presented at the Voting Place by appointed Scrutineer

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#### **Conduct of Scrutineers**

# **Responsibilities of Scrutineer**

Each Scrutineer shall be responsible for their conduct, rights and prohibitions as set out in these procedures and on the Candidates' Form – Appointment of Scrutineer. Candidates and their Scrutineers are advised to be aware of the opportunities for scrutinizing the election as established by the Clerk pursuant to section 42 of the Act.

No Candidate or Scrutineer has a right to interfere with an Election Official in the discharge of their duties. If a Candidate or Scrutineer is found to be obstructive in any way, they will be removed by an Election Official.

Upon being approved to enter any of the Voting Place, every Candidate and Scrutineer shall, at all times while in any of the Voting Places, wear the assigned Identification Card in such a manner that it can be easily seen by the Election Officials.

Scrutineers shall make no attempt to directly or indirectly influence how a Voter votes.

Scrutineers are not allowed to enter a voting screen at a Ballot Return Station or to be in a position to witness how a Voter marks their Ballot.

Scrutineers shall not display any campaign material or literature anywhere within the Voting Place or the boundaries of the property where the Voting Place is located and includes the parking lot. Candidates, supporters and Scrutineers are not permitted to wear campaign material, handout campaign material or park a vehicle displaying campaign material in the parking lot and the street directly in front of the Voting Place of the Ballot Return Station and Ballot Counting Centre. Anyone breaking these rules will be asked to remove the campaign material immediately.

Scrutineers shall not touch any election equipment, materials, and/or documents including but not limited to: Tabulators, computers, envelope openers, Ballots, Ballot Secrecy Envelopes, Voter Declaration Forms, and Ballot Return Envelopes.

Scrutineers shall provide any necessary supplies themselves, as sitting directly at the tables provided for Election Officials is not permitted.

Cell phones and/or other electronic communications or recording devices are not permitted in any Voting Place or Ballot Counting Centre.

## **Number Per Candidate**

Pursuant to section 42(4) of the Act, only one Scrutineer per Vote Tabulator will be permitted in the Voting Place or Ballot Counting Centre to be a witness at a time. If a Candidate or another Scrutineer working on behalf of the same Candidate enters the Voting Place or Ballot Counting Centre, the prior Scrutineer shall be required to leave.

### **Powers of Scrutineer**

Scrutineers are permitted to inspect, without touching, the Ballots, the Voters' list and all other papers, forms and documents relating to the vote but not so as to delay the opening or operation of a Voting Place or Ballot Counting Centre.

If a Voter is objected to by a Scrutineer, the Election Official shall note the objection in VoterView and require the Voter to take a prescribed oath of qualification prior to the issuance of a Ballot.

Election Officials have the final word as to whether a Voter is qualified to cast a Ballot. To uphold the secrecy of the vote, Scrutineers will not be permitted to examine or object to Ballots as they are being processed by way of the Vote Tabulator.

Candidates and Scrutineers may also be present for the opening of the Ballot Return Envelopes on the date and time designated by the City Clerk for such openings for the purpose of striking Voters' names from the Voters' List.

Scrutineers and Candidates wishing to observe the count shall be at the Ballot Counting Centre prior to 8 p.m. on Voting Day. No one other than Election Officials will be admitted to the Ballot Counting Centre after 8 p.m. on Voting Day.