



APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEER BY CANDIDATE¹

Municipal Elections Act, 1996, s.16 (1)

Candidate

Name of Candidate (please print)

Candidate for the Office of (check one)

- Mayor, Regional Chair, Councillor, Ward, Public District School Board, Catholic District School Board, French Public District School Board, French Catholic District School Board

Scrutineer Appointment

Name of Scrutineer Appointed (please print)

I appoint the individual noted above as a scrutineer to represent me in the Township of Wilmot Municipal Election.

Date

Signature of Candidate

this day of , 2026

Instructions to Scrutineer

- This form must have the original signature of the candidate to be considered complete and valid.
Scrutineers arriving at a voting place must show this form and personal identification to the election officials and take an oath of secrecy.
Candidates arriving at a voting place must show this form and personal identification to the election officials and take an oath of secrecy. A candidate who enters a voting place is considered to be a scrutineer.
Only one scrutineer per candidate may be at each of the locations listed in the 2026 Municipal Election Procedures. On Voting Day, only one candidate or scrutineer may be present at a ballot box in use at a voting location, at one time.

Rights and Prohibitions

Scrutineers and candidates can:

- Be present at the activation and deactivation of the Internet Voting System.
Enter the voting place 15 minutes before it opens and inspect the ballot boxes and the ballots and all other papers, forms and documents relating to the vote (but not so as to delay the timely opening of the voting place).
Place a scrutineer's seal on the ballot box, immediately before the opening of the voting place, so that ballots can be deposited in the box and cannot be withdrawn without breaking the seal.
Examine each ballot as they are placed in the ballot box but not touch the ballot.
Object to a ballot or to the counting of votes in a ballot.



- Write down candidate unofficial result totals once polls close after 8:00 pm on voting date for any voting location where they are observing ballot counting.
- Sign the statement of the results of the election prepared by the election official.
- Place a scrutineer's seal on the ballot box immediately after the close of voting, so that ballots cannot be deposited or withdrawn without breaking the seal.
- Examine the Voters' List periodically to determine who has voted or to count how many Electors have voted but may not interfere with the conduct of the voting process.
- Bring a communication device, such as a cell phone, pager, etc. if they are set to silent or on vibrate mode.
- Bring meals and snacks (Note: Schools do not allow products that contain nuts or nut butter).
- Bring a pen and paper.
- Bring a purse and/or other personal effects.

Scrutineers and candidates cannot:

- Campaign at the voting place.
- Attempt, directly or indirectly, to interfere with how an elector votes, including touching any ballot, form equipment, etc.
- Display a candidate's election material (including buttons, pins, etc.) in a voting place.
- Compromise the secrecy of voting.
- Obtain or attempt to obtain, in a voting place, any information about how an elector intends to vote or has voted.
- Communicate any information obtained at a voting place about how an elector intends to vote or has voted.
- Park a vehicle displaying campaign material in the parking lot of the Voting Place.
- Act as an interpreter.
- Use any communication device and/or photo taking devices in a manner that compromises the secrecy of the vote, causes a disruption and/or is not complying with the 2026 Municipal Election Procedures, including Appendix A "Use of Electronic Communication and Photo-Taking Devices in an Election Area".
- Make or take a call, or send a text on a mobile device while inside and election area.

Note:

- It is no longer mandatory that scrutineers be 16 years of age or older to work at an election.
- The DRO is responsible for the conduct of the Voting Place and no candidate or scrutineer has the right to interfere with an election official in the discharge of their duties.
- Anyone who is creating a disturbance at a Voting Place will be removed by the election official
- The seal(s) **must not** contain any writing that could be considered "election campaigning", therefore, the name of the candidate **is not** permitted on the seal;
- Scrutineers/candidates who wish to have a discussion with another candidate or scrutineer must leave the Voting Place to carry on their discussion outside of the Voting Place.
- No campaign material or literature of any nature whatsoever shall be displayed within the Voting Place. The boundaries of the Voting Place are the boundaries of the property where the Voting Place is located and **includes** the parking lot.
- Scrutineers/candidates wishing to observe the transmission of results **must** be at the Voting Place prior to the closing of the voting location at 8:00 p.m. No one will be admitted to the Voting Place after 8:00 p.m.