From: Angel
To: Hilda

Cc: Cardena Natasha Kemp

Subject: RE: Manurewa Marae - Use of Facilities as a Voting Place

Date: Wednesday, 6 September 2023 11:23:00 am

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Kia Ora Hilda

Just following up on email below, hoping that you have some names for me. We prefer people from the community to run the voting place at the Marae.

Recruitment will be closing in the next few days.

Ngā mihi

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From: Angel

Sent: Thursday, August 31, 2023 1:20 PM

To: Hilda < @manurewamarae.co.nz>; Natasha Kemp < @manurewamarae.co.nz>

Cc: Cardena < @manurewamarae.co.nz>

Subject: RE: Manurewa Marae - Use of Facilities as a Voting Place

Kia Ora Hilda

Attached are the position description of the different roles at the voting place – Voting Place Manager, Voting Assistant and Issuing Officers.

Applicants can send in their applications via this link <u>General Election 2023 - Manurewa Electorate - Electoral Commission (elections.nz)</u> (under the APPLY button at the bottom of the page).

We are now on the last stages of our recruitment for the advance voting teams. If they can submit their online application in the next day or two, that will be great. Kindly provide me a list of the names so I can keep an eye out for their application.

Ngā mihi

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From: Hilda < @manurewamarae.co.nz>

Sent: Thursday, August 31, 2023 12:13 PM

To: Angel < @elections.govt.nz>; Natasha Kemp < @manurewamarae.co.nz>

Cc: Cardena < <u>@manurewamarae.co.nz</u>>

Subject: Re: Manurewa Marae - Use of Facilities as a Voting Place

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Morena Angel,

Wonderful to finally meet you yesterday. As per our conversation just wanted to know some action points for us to complete as I know time is of the essence.

- Names to you regarding Kaimahi from the Marae (Hilda)
- Send JD (Angel)
- Send link for Kaimahi to apply (Angel)
- Send names of security (Hilda)
- Find a locked room in the Puna (Hilda)
- 16th September is training day

Aku mihi

Hilda

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From: Ange
To: Hilda
Subject: RE: Contact Details

Date: Wednesday, 13 September 2023 4:27:00 pm

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Kia Ora Hilda

Recruitment Process will be as follows:

- Candidate to apply online via this link <u>General Election 2023 Manurewa Electorate Electoral Commission</u> (<u>elections.nz</u>) (under the APPLY button at the bottom of the page).
- Assessment/Test and Interview at Manurewa Headquarters, 15 Osterley Way, Manukau City Centre we will
 email/call them to book a date and time
- If successful, they have to upload pre-employment details and other documents online

The process will likely take more than a week depending on their availability for the assessment and interview. Earliest we can schedule them for training will probably be weekdays/weekend of 25th September. This is the week before advance voting so we have very little wiggle room.

Ngā mihi

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To: Angel @elections.govt.nz>

Subject: Re: Contact Details

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Kia Ora Angel,

Please lock in these names for Manurewa Marae kaimahi they are in the process of filling out the online



Greg Whaiapu (Can you please check Gregs name he may have already applied)

Aku mihi Hilda

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From: Hilda

Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2023 3:26:40 PM

To: Angel @elections.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: Contact Details

Kia Ora

My number is

Sent from my iPhone

On 13/09/2023, at 3:16 PM, Angel @elections.govt.nz> wrote:

Kia Ora Hilda

I wish to discuss something with you, better over the phone than in an email.

I realised I don't have your contact number. Is it possible for you to give me a call today?

Ngā mihi

Angelica | Electorate Manager - Manurewa & Tamaki Makaurau Electorates Electoral Commission | Te Kaitiaki Take Kōwhiri

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Referee details:
Ref 1: Referee name:
Diana
Ref 1: Referee position:
Business Owner
Ref 1: Referee organisation:
Ref 1: Relationship:
Worked together on and off the past 10 years
Ref 1: Type of work:
Working together to brief work through Diana, promotional things,
Ref 1: Contribution:
obliging, time-efficient, leadership, he is easy going- a people-person.
Ref 1: Communication :
Absolutely, 100%
Ref 1: Effectiveness:
Ref 1: Strengths:
Diligent, thorough with his work, detailed, leadership skills
Ref 1: Re-employ:
Yes
Ref 1: Conflict of interest:
Not to knowledge
Ref 1: General comments:
"He'd be fantastic"
Ref 1: Political association:
No to knowledge
Ref 1: Confidentiality :
Yes
Ref 1: Reference check outcome (notes):

A precise and people-person worker. Suitable for role. PROCEED.

Conflict of interest declaration:

Are you involved in furthering the interest of any candidate, political party or political issues?:

No

Are there any other matters that you wish to bring to our attention that may affect your suitability for employment with the Electoral Commission::

No



19 September 2023

Gregory Whaiapu	

Tēnā Koe Gregory

Offer of Casual Employment

I am pleased to offer you casual employment with the Electoral Commission, Te Kaitiaki Take Kōwhiri as a Issuing Officer - Ordinary and Special Votes initially in the Manurewa Electorate. You will report to the Electorate Manager for the electorate. Your employment will start on the date of your first engagement being 19 September 2023. Your employment may be extended by agreement to any other roles or locations and these agreed changes will not affect your underlying core terms and conditions of employment.

Your entire employment agreement is made up of:

- 1. This Letter of Offer of casual employment
- 2. Casual Individual Employment Agreement (Form Number: M26-IEA Casual)
- 3. Your Position Description (That can be found online with your offer)
- 4. The Code of Conduct

You will be employed on a casual basis to assist with the General Election. As a casual employee, your hours of work will be on an as requested basis. You will be notified of your place of work, your training session (if required) and your roster in due course.

While employed as a Issuing Officer - Ordinary and Special Votes you cannot publicly associate yourself with the interests of any candidate or political party, or with any political issue, and your actions must be consistent with the requirement for electoral officials to be, and be seen to be impartial in the performance of their duties. You will also be required to have signed the Commission's Code of Conduct.

REMUNERATION

Your hourly rate for all hours worked will be as shown in the table below, exclusive of holiday pay. Holiday pay is calculated at a rate of week and provided to your manager by close of business on the Friday after the week that you worked.

You will be paid fortnightly on a Thursday the week after you are required to submit a timesheet.

You will be paid by direct credit into the bank account you nominate once you have accepted this agreement.

Remember, in accordance with the provisions of the Wages Protection Act 1983 if there is an overpayment of wages or any other entitlement, you acknowledge that this is a debt owed to the

Commission that you will be required to repay.

The gross hourly rate and fees for attending and completing the training for the role you are being offered are as below:

Position Title	Hourly Rate (Excluding Holiday Pay)	Fee for attending and completing the training
Issuing Officer - Ordinary and Special Votes		

HOURS AND NATURE OF WORK

Your hours of work will be on an as requested basis dependent on the needs of the business.

It is a condition of your casual employment that you successfully complete the training programme for your role before any work will be assigned to you. You will be advised of your training programme schedule separately.

Prior authorisation for all hours worked must be received from your Manager. Evening and weekend work may be requested which will be paid at your standard gross hourly rate.

In line with the nature of casual work, each time you work constitutes a separate engagement, but these terms and conditions of employment will apply. Neither party has any obligations after each separate engagement, and you can have no expectation of ongoing work at the conclusion of each engagement. You can refuse or accept each separate engagement at your discretion.

General Requirements

Your continued employment is conditional on successfully completing the required training.

Your employment is conditional on the Commission receiving a satisfactory:

- Ministry of Justice Check
- Reference check
- Serious Misconduct Check, if applicable
- Confirmation of the accuracy and completeness of relevant information provided during the recruitment process

If you accept this offer, you authorise the Commission to undertake periodic checks on any criminal record or traffic offences that you may have, or which may be in process or pending.

By signing this offer letter you consent to the Electoral Commission completing a Ministry of Justice (MOJ) criminal record check on your behalf. You are required to upload one of the following forms of identification with your offer letter:

- NZ driver's licence can be expired by up to 2 years
- NZ passport can be expired by up to 2 years

- Current overseas passport
- Current NZ firearms licence.

If you do not have any of the above forms of identification, then complete the Proof of Identity and the Statutory Declaration documents and upload them with your signed Letter of Offer.

All new employees are encouraged to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. You may disclose your vaccination status to your manager on a voluntary basis.

This offer of employment and your ongoing employment is conditional on you having and maintaining the legal right to work in New Zealand, in the role in which you are employed with the Commission. You must inform the Commission if, at any stage, your immigration status or your legal right to work in New Zealand changes. If at any stage you do not have the legal right to work in New Zealand, in the role in which you are employed with the Commission, your employment may be terminated, after hearing from you.

If any of these checks are not satisfactory and/or conditions are not met, the matter will be discussed with you and the offer may be withdrawn immediately. In the event that employment has already commenced, your employment in this position may be terminated with immediate effect after discussing this with you.

Please take the time to consider this the proposed employment agreement and offer. You are reminded that you may seek independent advice prior to agreeing to this offer and I would encourage you to do so. If you wish to accept this offer, please electronically sign this offer, and all the forms you are requested to sign, no later than 5 days from 19 September 2023. If we have not heard from you by this date the offer will be automatically withdrawn.

Should you wish to discuss the details of this offer further, please feel free to contact me.

Ngā mihi

Angelica

Electorate Manager Manurewa Electorate

19 September 2023

DECLARATION

I accept this offer of casual employment. I declare that I have read and understand the terms and conditions of employment as detailed in this letter of offer of casual employment and the Individual Employment Agreement included and accept them fully. Furthermore, I acknowledge that:

- I have had the opportunity to seek independent advice;
- I understand and accept the offer of casual employment of my own free will and that the process was fair, and I have not been subject to any undue influence; and
- The information I provided during the recruitment process is accurate and I have not provided any misleading information or omitted any relevant information.

I agree for the Electoral Commission to submit my details to the Ministry of Justice for a Criminal Convictions Check as part of my appointment process if applicable.

ACCEPTANCE

Signed

Digitally signed by Gregory Whaiapu

22 September 2023 08:47 PM (NZST)

Gregory Whaiapu

Enclosed:

- Individual Employment Agreement
- Position Description
- Letter of Offer
- Code of Conduct
- New Employee Information Form
- Tax Code Declaration Form (IR330)
- KiwiSaver Information (KS3)
- KiwiSaver Opt-out Form
- Conflict of Interest Declaration

Please provide:

- Photo ID
- Proof of bank account details
- Evidence of right to work in NZ (Passport, visa etc)

Use this action to send the offer package to the candidate. They will be directed to login and review the offer documents and accept or decline their offer. PLEASE NOTE: This action will move the candidate into the "Onboarding" bucket.

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Message:			Kia ora Greg Congratulations! We're pleased to extend an offer of employment to you for the role of Manurewa - OSIO – Ordinary and Special Votes. PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY 1. Click here to login to your unique profile on our career site. 2. Follow the user friendly instructions on the screen to electronically sign your offer documents. Ngâ mih',



ELECTORAL COMMISSION

VOTING SERVICES - M26 IEA CASUAL INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION TE KAITIAKI TAKE KOWHIRI

AND

GREGORY WHAIAPU

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1. INTRODUCTION

The personal terms of your Employment Agreement ("the Agreement") comprise this Individual Employment Agreement ("IEA"), attached documents (e.g. Position Description) and the terms confirmed in your letter of offer or subsequent mutually agreed variations.

The Agreement supersedes all previous negotiations, communications and commitments, whether written or oral. Where the IEA and letter of offer differ, your letter of offer shall prevail. Other Commission policies, including the Code of Conduct, also apply to your employment. It is important that you familiarise yourself with these documents, which may be amended by the Commission from time to time.

1.1 Good Employer

The Commission undertakes that in all its dealings with you it shall act as a good employer. In this regard 'good employer' means that you will be treated fairly, justly and properly in all aspects of your employment.

The Commission operates an equal employment opportunity policy which provides for recruitment, terms of employment, conditions of work and opportunities for training, promotion and transfer to be undertaken or offered without preference being given on the basis of sex, marital status, religious or ethical belief, sexual preference, colour, race, ethnic or national origin or age.

1.2 Good Faith Principles

In addition to its obligation to act as a good employer, the Commission is also committed to fostering a productive employment relationship with you founded on the mutual obligation of good faith. In this way, the parties recognise:

- The requirement to achieve the Commission's strategic goals, to serve New Zealand society, to manage within the resources available and to meet its legal obligations.
- The importance of your views being taken into account, because the relationship between the Commission and its staff is a key determinant of the Commission achieving its goals.
- Our success in delivering a high-quality service to our society lies in a commitment to capability development, working together and taking personal responsibility for work performance.

1.3 Your Responsibilities

In recognition of the Commission's commitments to you to act as a good employer, you are expected to:

- Be honest, diligent and perform to the best of your ability;
- Work with your colleagues as a team to achieve the best possible outcome;
- Be flexible about performing reasonable alternative duties;
- Act professionally with customers and service providers;
- Take responsibility for your own personal development and participate in opportunities offered by the Commission; and
- Comply with the Public Service and Commission Code of Conduct,

1.4 Variation

The Agreement may be varied by agreement between you and the Commission. Any variation to the Agreement will be recorded in writing.

1.5 Management of Change

As there is no expectation of ongoing employment, management of change arrangements such as redundancy will not apply.

2. CASUAL EMPLOYMENT

2.1 Position and Period of Employment

Your duties and responsibilities are set out in any Job Description attached or in your letter of offer, and further detail may be provided at or before the commencement of any assignment.

This role exists to assist the Commission with preparation for and/or conduct of the next general election and any other electoral activities or events falling within the term of this Agreement.

This Agreement will commence on the start date set out in your letter of offer.

As a casual employee, your employment will be on an "as and when required" basis. Each time you work constitutes a separate engagement but these terms and conditions of employment will apply.

Neither party has any obligations after each separate engagement, and you can have no expectation of ongoing work at the conclusion of each engagement. Work is not guaranteed and the Commission is under no obligation to provide it. You can refuse or accept each separate engagement at your discretion. You will be expected to work if an engagement is accepted by you.

2.2 Hours of Work

Your hours of work will be on "as and when required" basis subject to the Commission's business needs and your availability. You have no fixed hours of work.

You will be notified of each employment engagement and the number of hours you will be required to work before each engagement begins. This could include weekends or evening work. You can refuse or accept each separate engagement at your discretion.

2.3 Location

The location of your work will be specified in your letter of offer in agreement with your manager as set out in the Flexible Work Arrangements policy. However, you may be required to travel from time to time.

3. REMUNERATION

Your personal remuneration details are specified in your letter of offer.

Where you request, the Commission shall deduct from your wages any agreed amount specified by you. You authorise the Commission to make lawful deductions from your pay in accordance with the Wages Protection Act 1983.

Specific deductions will be made after consulting with you, including deductions from salary for leave taken in advance, cost of unreturned property of the Commission, or any debt owing to the

4. HOLIDAYS ACT 2003 ENTITLEMENTS

The Holidays Act 2003 (and any subsequent amendments) will apply. You can obtain further information about your entitlements under the Holidays Act 2003 and any subsequent amendments from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment or your Manager.

If the Commission offers you work on a public holiday and you accept the engagement, you will be paid one and a half times your hourly rate for the hours worked.

As engagements under this agreement are on an 'as and when required' basis, with no certainty of hours or continuity of work, you will receive by way of holiday pay which will be paid at the same time as your pay. This is due to the intermittent and irregular nature of your work, which makes it impracticable for the Commission to provide you with 4 weeks' annual leave after 12 months of continuous employment. You have no other entitlement to annual leave.

4.1 Other Leave

Entitlement to paid leave for sickness (including domestic leave), bereavement and family violence generally only applies once an employee has completed six months' continuous service (meaning over the period of six months, hours worked average at least 10 hours a week, and no less than one hour in every week, or no less than 40 hours in every month). Due to the intermittent nature of casual employment, it is uncommon for casual employees to become entitled to these types of paid leave. However, if you do complete six months' continuous service you will be entitled to paid sick and bereavement leave in accordance with the Holidays Act 2003 and the relevant Commission policy.

Entitlement to parental leave is determined in accordance with the Parental Leave and Employment Protection Act 1987 and the Commission policy. There are a variety of paid and unpaid entitlements, which generally do not arise until an employee has been employed for at least an average of 10 hours a week, over a period of at least 6 months preceding the expected date of birth or assumption of responsibility for a qualifying child.

You can obtain further information about these entitlements from the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment and the Commission's Policies.

5. EMPLOYEE WELLBEING

5.1 Health and Safety

The Commission is committed to providing a healthy and safe working environment for all employees and complying with the principles of the health and safety legislation and any relevant Codes of Practice.

Taking reasonable care for your own health and safety and that of others at work and ensuring that any accidents and/or health and safety issues are reported to management in the appropriate manner is part of your role in maintaining a safe and healthy workplace.

You are encouraged to actively participate in and contribute to the continuous improvement of health and safety in your workplace. You should be aware of the emergency procedures for your work area, take the opportunity to participate in representative structures such as workplace committees and undertake health and safety training as required by the Commission.

5.2 Employee Assistance

The Commission provides an employee assistance programme which is available to all employees, at all levels, on a voluntary basis. An initial three sessions are available. The programme provides assistance where your work performance has, or may become, affected by a personal problem. The content of such assistance is confidential and will in no way be detrimental to your employment.

6. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT

6.1 Notice

This clause applies during each period of engagement. At the conclusion of each period of engagement there is no obligation on the Commission to offer further work and there is no obligation on you to accept further work.

This does not prevent the Commission from terminating your employment without notice in the event of serious misconduct.

If you are absent from work for five consecutive days during a period of engagement without notification to your Manager, or without appropriate authorisation from your Manager, you will be considered to have abandoned your employment, unless you are able to show that you were unable to fulfil your obligation under this clause through no fault of your own. The Commission will make all reasonable efforts to contact you during this time.

6.2 Suspension

During a period of engagement, the Commission has the right to suspend you on pay pending the outcome of any fact finding or disciplinary investigation required (after hearing from you).

6.3 Employee Protection Provision

This clause applies during each period of engagement. In this clause, "new employer", "restructuring", and "affected employee" shall have the meaning given to them in s 69OI of the Employment Relations Act 2000. In particular, restructuring means where the Commission is contracting out, selling or transferring all or part of its business.

Prior to the Commission restructuring the business, it will enter into negotiations with any new employer about how the restructuring relates to affected employees, including whether they will transfer to the new employer, and if they do whether they will transfer on their existing terms and conditions of employment.

The process which the Commission will follow in such negotiations is:

- explaining to a new employer the Commission's obligation to negotiate about the restructuring;
- informing a new employer that the Commission wishes to negotiate in relation to the possible transfer of affected employees to the new employer and whether employees will transfer on their same terms and conditions of employment;
- putting a proposal to a new employer in relation to whether affected employees will transfer to the new employer and if so whether they will transfer on their existing terms and conditions of employment;
- considering any response from a new employer; and
- attempting to reach an agreement with a new employer on whether any or all of the affected employees will transfer and on what terms and conditions.

If the new employer offers you employment, you will be given a reasonable opportunity to elect whether or not to accept that offer and will be advised of the date by which you must decide whether or not to transfer to the New Employer.

If, following negotiations with the new employer, some or all of the affected employees are not to transfer to the new employer, the process which the Commission will follow is:

- reviewing the relevant employment agreement to ascertain if it includes any entitlements for non-transferring employees;
- consulting with non-transferring employees concerning what entitlements if any (such as notice, compensation, time off work to attend work interviews and/or outplacement support) are to be available to them:
- putting a proposal to non-transferring employees (or some of them) about such entitlements (to the extent we consider it appropriate to do so);
- receiving and considering any comments from non-transferring employees about any such proposal; and
- deciding whether to make available to non-transferring employees any of the matters dealt with in the proposal, or suggested by the non-transferring employees, and informing non-transferring employees of the Commission's decision.

7. EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIPS

7.1 Expected Standards of Behaviour

The Commission's Expected Standards of Behaviour that all employees have to adhere to, are included in the Commission's Code of Conduct and Values.

7.2 Disciplinary Process

You are expected to maintain high standards of behaviour and performance in your workplace, familiarise yourself with the Commission's Code of Conduct and not conduct yourself in a manner that is liable to bring the Commission into disrepute. You are expected to adhere to the standards of conduct and performance as detailed in the Commission's policies and the Code of Conduct.

The Commission will operate a policy to apply where disciplinary action is taken against an employee. That policy will ensure that consistent practices exist for managing unacceptable behaviour and poor performance in a fair and equitable manner.

7.3 Employment Relationship Problem Resolution

Definition

An employment relationship problem can include the following:

- Where you believe you have a personal grievance (defined below);
- Where you believe your Employment Agreement has not been followed or properly applied;
- Where you are unsure about your employment status;
- Where you have not been paid what you believe you should have been for work done;
- When you have not been allowed to participate in union meetings or to take union education leave:
- Where you believe you have been treated unreasonably, unfairly or have been discriminated against for any reason.

Resolving Employment Relationship Problems

The first step towards resolving an employment relationship problem is to talk to your Manager about it. You may do this with the support and advice of an independent Advisor of your choosing.

The Commission is committed to working to resolve employment relationship problems as quickly and informally as possible.

If your employment relationship problem cannot be resolved informally through the Commission, you can use the more formal process that is offered by the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment, Mediation Services.

Personal Grievances

Under the Employment Relations Act 2000, you may have a personal grievance if you have been:

- Unjustifiably dismissed;
- Disadvantaged;
- Discriminated against;
- Sexually harassed;
- Racially harassed;
- Put under duress because of your involvement or non-involvement in union activities.

You have 90 days to raise a grievance from the time the event that caused the grievance:

- · Occurred; or
- Came to your notice.

In exceptional circumstances you may have longer than 90 days to put a grievance to the Commission.

The period for an employee to raise a grievance for sexual harassment is 12 months.

You can seek advice, assistance and/or support from your union or other employment representative if you believe you have a personal grievance.

If you have been dismissed then you have the right to obtain a written statement of the reasons for your dismissal as long as you make a request within 60 days. The Commission must respond to you within 14 days from the time your request is received.

Disputes

A dispute will generally occur when you disagree with the way your employment agreement has been interpreted or applied.

You should raise any issues of this nature with your Manager as soon as practicable.

Formal Resolution Processes

Any dispute, grievance or relationship problem not resolved through this informal process can be raised formally with the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment, Mediation Services by you, your representative, or the Commission. A mediated process is a necessary pre-cursor to any further litigation. All effort must be made by the parties to resolve issues at the lowest level.

If resolution is not reached by mediation, the problem may be raised in the Employment Relations Authority. Authority decisions can be appealed in the Employment Court.

Details of these services are available from your Manager or the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment.

8. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

While employed as an electoral official you cannot publicly associate yourself with the interests of any candidate or political party, or with any political issue, and your actions must be consistent with the requirement for electoral officials to be and be seen to be impartial in the performance of their duties,

You must ensure that you are not involved directly or indirectly in any activity, employment or business which may affect or compromise your ability to perform your duties, or which may conflict with the role of the Commission.

You must not accept any payment or other benefit in money or in kind from any other person or company or other organisation as an inducement or reward for any action in connection with any matter or business transacted by, or on behalf of the Commission.

If you are unsure about any aspect of this clause, you should discuss it with your manager.

9. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & CONFIDENTIALITY

You understand and agree to abide by the terms of this agreement and any applicable policies.

You understand that this document supersedes and replaces any and all previous arrangements that may have existed between the Commission and yourself.

You acknowledge that:

- You have read and understood the terms and conditions and received a copy of this agreement.
- You have been informed of your relevant entitlements under the Holidays Act 2003 and how to obtain further information if need be.
- You were given the opportunity to seek independent advice and/or explanations of any term or condition which you did not understand prior to signing the agreement.
- You do not have any disability, medical condition, injury or illness which would affect your ability to carry out your duties and responsibilities under this agreement.
- You will immediately inform the Commission of any disability, medical condition, injury or illness that you may incur in the future which may affect your ability to carry out your duties and responsibilities under this agreement.
- You acknowledge that the contents of this Agreement shall, except with the prior written agreement of both parties, remain confidential to the parties and such advisers or representatives who are authorised to act on behalf of either party.
- The information you provided is true and correct to the best of your knowledge and belief.
- You understand that if the Commission discovers that you have supplied any false information or have misled the Commission in any way, this agreement may be terminated immediately.

You undertake not to disclose to any third party, or make use of, any confidential information or material obtained during your employment except with the prior written consent of the Commission. You must comply with your obligations under the Privacy Act 2020. The operation of this clause shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

Signed by:	Digitally signed by Gregory Whaiapu 22 September 2023 08:47 PM (NZST)	
	Gregory Whaiapu	
Signed by:	Angelica	
Date:	Angelica 19 September 2023	



Issuing Votes

Personal Instruction Manual 2023 General Election

Name)
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My Voting Place

Voting Place name:
Address:
Voting Place Manager:
HQ Phone:

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Foreword

Nau mai, haere mai ki te Kaitiaki Take Kōwhiri- Welcome to Te Kaitiaki Take Kōwhiri Electoral Commission.

Ko te whakatinanatanga o te Pōtitanga-ā-motu ka taea ina ka ngātahi te mahi, tēnā e whakamiha ana kāutau kua tūhono mai ki te whakatutuki i tēnei pōtitanga.

E tūhonotia mai kāutau ki tētehi rōpū manawanui ki ngā taumata me tā mātau aronga matua. Koinā te huarahi whāia kia tika, kia pono, kia haumaru nō hoki te pōtiatanga o tēnei tau.

He hiahia nō mātau te whakahaere i tētehi pōtitanga kia mīharo a Aotearoa whānui otinō kia manawanui katika i tō urunga mai.

Mō mātau ake, ka arō tōtika ki te aronga matua, kia whakapono a Aotearoa whānui, kia tika, kia whai wāhi te katoa ki ngā pōtitanga ā-pāremata.

Ka whakamahia ngā taumata hei arataki i te tūtukitanga o te aronga matua, ā kei te pokapū o ā mātau mahi katoa ko ngā tāngata i Aotearoa nei.

E tāwharau ana ngā taumata i ā tātau mahi tiaki i te pūnaha pōtitanga, nā he motuhake nō tō whai wāhitanga mai hei whakakanohi i te manapori o tō hapori.

He hiahia nō mātau kia hora i ngā pārongo katoa hei whakatūtukitanga māu, kia hākoakoa nō tō urunga mai.

Nā ēnei tuhinga ka aratakina kāutau kia whai wāhi mai i tēnei tau.

Tēnā kāutau te hāpai tahi i te kaupapa nei

Ngā mihi

The 2023 General Election can only happen with all of us playing our part, so we appreciate you joining our team to help us deliver the election.

You're joining a dedicated and motivated team that lives by our values and purpose. It's the way we'll deliver a safe, reliable and trusted election this year.

We want to deliver an election that the people of Aotearoa New Zealand can be proud of, and that you're proud of being a part of!

For us, that means looking to our purpose that all New Zealanders trust, value and take part in parliamentary elections.

We use our values as a guide to make sure we can achieve our purpose and put the people of Aotearoa at the centre of everything we do.

Our values are underpinned by our role as kaitiaki (guardians) of the electoral system and your role is an important part of that, as the face of democracy to your community.

We want to make sure you have all the information you need to do that and enjoy playing your part.

This manual provides you with the guidance and information you need to help people have their say this year.

Thank you for joining us in this journey.



Karl Le Quesne

Āpiha Pōti Matua Chief Electoral Officer











Introduction

Keep votes and other materials safe

- All staff are responsible for the security of information and voting materials. Do not leave voting materials unattended at any time, including when transporting them in vehicles
- Marked, uncounted ballot papers should always be transported by two staff members
- All staff should be aware of where voting materials are in the voting place.
 When going on a break, pack all your supplies including the ballot paper pads, electoral roll and issuing point stamp into your satchel and return it to the Voting Place Manager
- All voting materials must be accounted for at all times. Watch that voters do not leave the voting place with their ballot paper. Even if they do not wish to vote, they must place their ballot paper in the appropriate ballot box. If a voter has spoilt their ballot paper then they must return it to the Issuing Officer who issued the paper for a replacement
- If you think anyone has tampered with voting materials or has accessed information they are not permitted to have, contact your Electorate Manager immediately, either directly, or through your Voting Place Manager.

Be security conscious

- Be aware of what is happening in and around the voting place
- Be alert to the verbal and non-verbal cues of the person you are dealing with. If you are concerned about the behaviour of any person, advise your Voting Place Manager
- Pay attention to your surroundings. If you notice any suspicious or unattended bags or packages in or around the voting place advise your Voting Place Manager.

Keep yourself and voters healthy

- Stay at home if you are unwell. Call your electorate HQ to let them know as soon as possible if you cannot work because you are sick.
- Masks and hand sanitiser are available to staff and voters.

Incident Management Handbook

 There is an Incident Management Handbook located in the drop file next to the Voter Assistant's station to help with any incidents and emergencies in the voting place.

The rights of the voter

- Every person has the right to cast their vote in a safe environment
- Your voting place should be welcoming and supportive to all voters.
 Keep your focus on the voter in front of you, even when the voting place is busy and you feel under pressure. Offer help where needed and ensure voters feel respected ask yourself how you would like to be treated
- Only the voter can decide if they want to vote, and only the voter can decide who to vote for. No-one can cast a vote for another person
- Voters can get help from anyone they choose such as a support person or a voting place staff member
- Be clear on the difference between helping the voter and influencing the voter's choice. You can help the voter but you cannot make the choice for them.

Privacy

- All staff are responsible for keeping voters' information private
- Do not answer questions from a member of the public about whether another person is enrolled, if they have voted, or their personal details
- Only use the information you have access to for your duties to issue votes
- Do not discard EasyVote cards and Special Vote slips. Stamp and keep them for return to electorate headquarters, or return them to the voter if asked.

Secrecy

- All staff are responsible for maintaining the secrecy of the vote
- Do not answer any questions from media. Only pre-arranged visits from journalists or film crews are allowed
- Do not take photos, blog or post on social media about what is happening in a voting place
- If voters attempt to film or take photos in a voting place, ask the Voting Place Manager to show them the poster asking them not to. If they do, you cannot stop them. You can ask them not to post or use what they have recorded to maintain the secrecy of the vote and to protect people's privacy.

The security of staff and voters are the first priority and always take precedence over the security of voting materials

Roles in the voting place



Issuing Officers are responsible for issuing votes accurately & efficiently, they:

- are welcoming and supportive to voters
- follow instructions in this Personal Instruction Manual (PIM) and from the Voting Place Manager.



Voter Assistants are responsible for managing voters as they arrive, they:

- help voters to get into the right queue to vote, with the correct information
- assist voters to enrol or update their enrolment details



The Voting Place Manager has overall responsibility for the voting place, they:

- manage staff and ensure votes are issued correctly
- are your first port of call after this manual for any questions or concerns.



Issuing Support Officers are present in busy or complex voting places, they:

- help manage vote issuing, including filling in for Issuing Officers and the Voting Place Manager during their breaks
- support the Voting Place Manager in end of day processes



Security Guards are responsible for safety in the voting place, they:

- help keep voting place staff and voters safe
- help keep the ballot boxes and other voting materials safe
- help with queue management.



Scrutineers

Scrutineers are not electoral staff, but are appointed by candidates to observe the issuing of votes. They are an important part of the electoral process and we welcome their presence in voting places.

Scrutineers are permitted to:	Scrutineers cannot:
Sit and observe in the designated area of the voting place.	Handle any voting materials such as ballot papers or EasyVote cards, or use an Issuing Officer's table
Photograph the lists of persons who have voted and give these details to their campaign team. A mobile phone, laptop or tablet can be used	Film or take other photos in voting places in order to maintain the secrecy of the vote and out of respector people's privacy
Ask an Issuing Officer to question a voter suspected of voting more than once, or as somebody else	Communicate directly with voters
Wear a party lapel badge or rosette with the party's name, slogan or logo Wear clothing in party colours	Wear or display any items with the candidate's name Wear or display any item, other than a party lapel badge or rosette, with the party name, slogan or logo

Voter care

Follow the guidance to provide assistance to voters.



Do



Don't

To help a voter:

Speak slowly and carefully

Ask short questions that require Yes/ No answers or a shake of the head

Use hand gestures, for example, point to a voting screen or an EasyVote card

Shout or talk loudly at a person with language, visual or hearing difficulties

Use technical terms or jargon

Explain everything in detail, unless the voter requires that

Be patient and listen attentively Know what languages are spoken by other staff members Pretend to understand if you do not

If the voter is unsteady, bring them to the front of the queue, offer them a chair and consider how you can make voting easier

e.g. bring the table top screen to them while still maintaining the privacy of the vote

If a voter with a visual impairment needs guiding, offer your arm rather than grabbing theirs

Make eye contact with a person with a hearing impairment to communicate with them, or communicate in writing Assist a person with a physical disability unless asked

Tap a person with a hearing impairment on the shoulder to get their attention

Helping a voter understand how to cast a vote:

You can advise voters that they have two votes on the ballot paper: one for a party and one for a candidate

You cannot influence the voter's choice about who or what to vote for

Providing language support



Language sheets will be available in the voting place to help you to support voters.



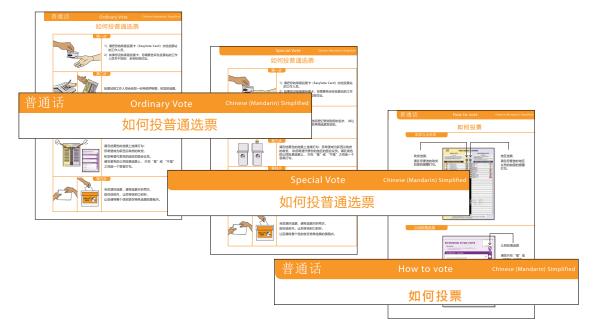
If a voter does not appear to understand you, the Voter Assistant language card (M15-LGUIDE) in their mobile phone case to identify if there is a language that can help them.



If there is, provide the voter with the appropriate language sheet and use the key phrases and images to help the voter.



You can use the infographic pages to help the voter through the enrolling (if required) and the voting processes.



Issuing Votes

Voters will either make an ordinary or a special vote. It is the responsibility of voting place staff to ensure that the voter has the opportunity to enrol or update their enrolment details and to issue the correct type of vote and for the correct electorate. If a voter is not enrolled correctly or does not receive the correct ballot paper, their vote may not count.

The key question is: "Is the voter's name on a printed roll in the voting place?" If "Yes" - then issue the voter with an ordinary vote
If "No" - then issue the voter with a special vote

Electorates



New Zealand has 65 general electorates and 7 Māori electorates. Each electorate is a geographical area that has been defined for voting purposes. Every part of the country is in both a general and a Māori electorate.

The election

Voters have two votes on their ballot paper — a party vote and an electorate vote.

The party vote is for the political party the voter wants to be in government.

The electorate vote is for the candidate the voter would like to be the member of Parliament for the area they live in.

No-one who wants to vote is turned away!

Enrolment

If voters are not enrolled or have changed their address details, they will be able to complete an enrolment form while they are in the voting place.

Any questions from voters about enrolment that are not covered in the PIM should be referred to the Voting Place Manager, or the Voter Assistant.

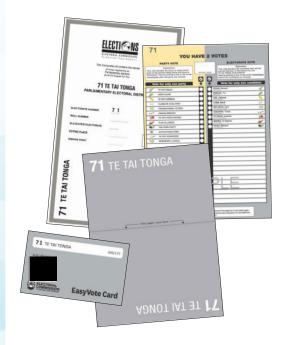


Māori roll and general roll

Your voting place will issue ordinary votes for both your home general electorate and your home Māori electorate. Colour coding helps you to distinguish these: orange for general electorates and grey for Māori electorates. You must be careful to give the correct electorate ballot paper to the voter.

Never assume which roll a voter is on.

Grey materials: Māori electorates



Orange materials: general electorates



Voting information

Most voters will receive voting information in the mail.

Many voters will bring this to the voting place.

EasyVote card:

- Voter's name appears on a printed roll
- Gives the voter's name, address, electorate and the page and line number from the electoral roll.

Voting place card:

- If a voter does not bring their EasyVote card to vote, a purple voting place card may be created to help the Issuing Officer correctly issue the vote
- The card is created by the Voter Assistant, using an electronic roll (eRoll) that searches for the voter's details.



eRoll:

- One or more mobile phones are provided to the voting place to look up details of voter's who do not bring their EasyVote card.
- It does not contain details of voters who are on the unpublished roll.
 Only the Registrars of Electors have access to this information.
- It is a live look-up so will show everyone who is enrolled to vote, including those who have recently enrolled.

Special Vote slip

 A voter who has enrolled after the rolls were printed or is on the unpublished roll may have been sent a Special Vote slip



Legal requirements

By law, a voter must verbally state or confirm their name

A voter must verbally give or confirm their name to be issued with an ordinary vote, whether or not they have their EasyVote card with them.

This is a legal requirement and must be asked of every voter.

If a voter cannot verbally state their name, you can use other ways to communicate with them to confirm their name.

For example: If the voter cannot verbally state their name and has an EasyVote card, gesture with an open hand to confirm with the voter that the name on the card is theirs.

If the voter does not have an EasyVote card and cannot state their name, you may have already asked them to write their name or they may have shown you their name on another document. Gesture with an open hand to their name, to confirm with the voter as above.

What you say

Be careful when communicating with the voter to only use the wording outlined in the vote issuing procedures. It can be hard not to add extra comments or to skip steps, especially if you know the voter.

There are legal requirements that must be met to ensure a vote is issued correctly. If you change what is written in the procedures, you may mislead the voter and this could affect whether or not their vote counts.

Shared materials - issuing votes

Your voting place may issue ordinary votes for neighbouring electorates. These are referred to as shared electorates.

Issuing Officers may issue votes for multiple shared electorates; in this situation you will have a drop file to manage these materials. One electorate's roll and ballot paper goes into each slot. You may be sharing materials with the Issuing Officer sitting next to you.

Using a drop file may also give a better service to voters in a Māori electorate so that they are able to queue for more than one Issuing Officer.



As with all voting materials you must keep these materials secure, they are not to be left unattended at any time. Take care to keep the materials tidy and do not mix up rolls and their respective ballot papers.

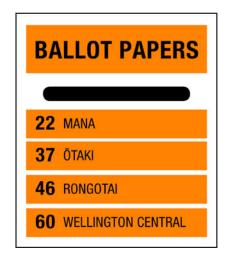
The home general electorate materials should be kept on your table, as these are the materials most likely to be issued from.

Shared electorates - ballot box

Two or more shared electorates may have been assigned a shared ballot box. In this example, voting papers from four general electorates can be put into the same ballot box.

The home general and home Māori electorates should each have their own ballot box.

Be aware of what ordinary vote electorates your voting place is issuing votes for and which ballot box they go into.

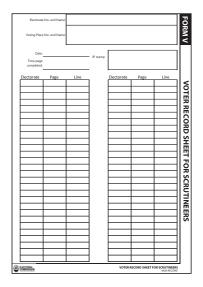


Voter record sheets for scrutineers

Each Issuing Officer who issues ordinary votes will keep a running record of who has voted, by writing the electorate, page and line numbers marked off in the printed roll onto Form V - Voter record sheet for scrutineers.

Note that the details of special voters are not recorded.

The Voting Place Manager will collect the sheets on a regular basis and at the end of the day. They can be photographed by scrutineers visiting the voting place. The Voting Place Manager will collect the sheets on a regular basis and at the end of the day. They can be photographed by scrutineers visiting the voting place. (New) In keeping with the secrecy declaration you have signed, you cannot film or take other photos in voting places. This is required to maintain the secrecy of the vote and out of respect for people's privacy.



Going on a break

Unless someone is filling in at your desk, put all your supplies (issuing point stamp, pen(s), ruler, black sticky labels) into your satchel before going on a break.

If you are leaving the voting place during your break, or at the end of the day, also put your vest into the satchel.

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Greet the voter () Kia ora/Hello [wait for the voter's response]

Do you have a voting card?

Note: If the voter has an enrolment form, Special Vote slip or a voting card with SV ticked, they are issued with a special vote.



If the voter has a voting card go to step 3

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If the voter does not have a voting card turn over the page for instructions.

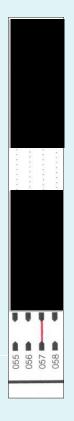
• Match the card with the voter's page & line number on the roll

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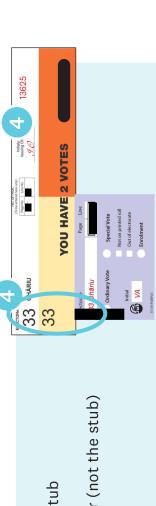


Ask: Could you please state your full name?

If the details are correct, rule a solid line connecting the markers beside the voter's name with a red pen and ruler.



Note: If the name stated by the voter does not match what is given on the roll, refer to Common Situations "Different Name".



Prepare the ballot paper using a red pen:

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Copy the page and line numbers from the voting card or roll onto the stub

Sign your initials

Check that there is a black sticker over the number on the ballot paper (not the stub) This protects the secrecy of their vote

PAGE LINE SIGN STICKER

Write the electorate number, page and line on the scrutineer record sheet

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RECORD

Stamp the Official Mark space on the ballot paper and the voting card.

STAMP STAMP

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Fold the paper along the fold line before removing

Indicate as you speak to the voter:

When you go behind the voting screen, please follow the instructions on the paper. Place the paper into the [electorate name] box. Thank you.

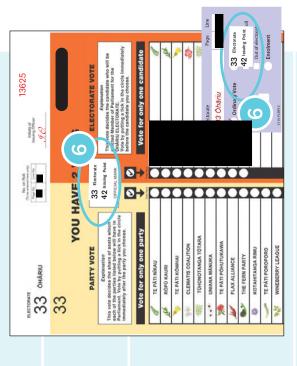
Give the ballot paper to the voter

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Put the voting card into the container provided. Do not return the card to the voter unless they ask for it.

Reset your table, including returning relevant materials to the drop file.

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If the voter does NOT have a voting card

Special vote materials

Special Vote slip:

- A voter who has enrolled after the rolls were printed or is on the unpublished roll may have been sent a Special Vote slip
- This gives the voter's name and electorate, and
 - if the voter enrolled after the rolls were printed shows their residential address
 - if the voter is on the unpublished roll then the slip states "ADDRESS NOT REQUIRED"

These voters are always issued a special vote.

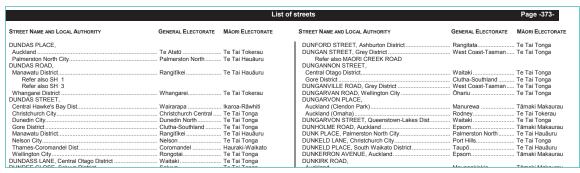
Index to Places & Streets

This contains places, streets and maps with electorate boundaries.

Each page in the streets section contains two columns of street names.

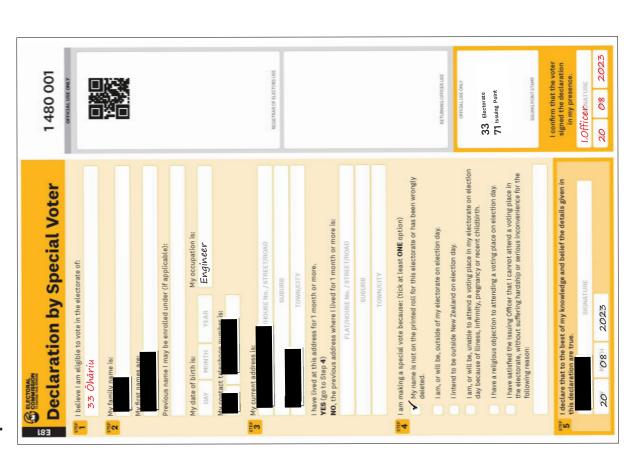
Every street is within a general and a Māori electorate.

Always ask the voter whether they are enrolled in a general or Māori electorate, never assume that you know which one it will be.



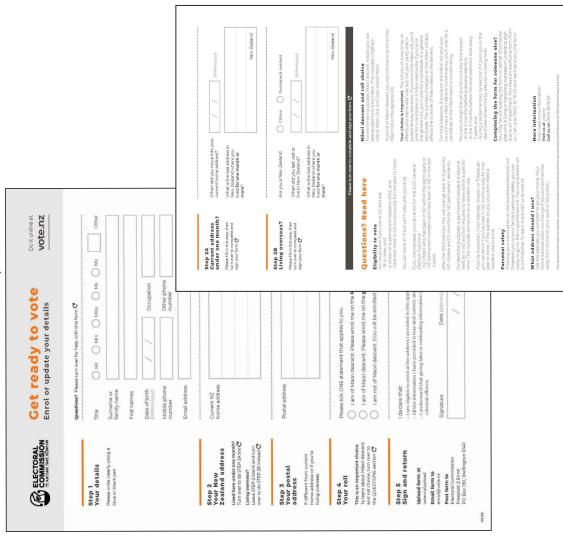


Special Vote declaration



Enrolment form

The same enrolment form is used for someone to enrol for the first time, or to update their details.



Issuing a special vote

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Special Declaration Vote Š Please take a seat. Do you have a voting card or any forms for me? Kia Ora/Hello [wait for the voter's response] Greet the voter:

SOMEBODY Andrew Brian ADDRESS NOT REQUIRED

RETURNING OFFICER

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- If the electorate name is on the voting card, go to step 3.
- card, go to either the Enrolment Form or the Voter has no forms section for instructions If the voter has an enrolment form and/or there is no electorate stated on their voting
 - card, **go to either the Enrolment Form or the Voter has no**to find the voter's electorate

 Say:
 Thank you. We'll start with your declaration.
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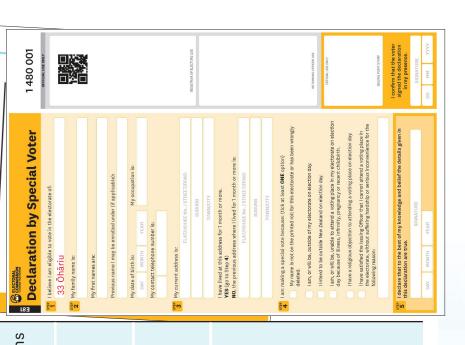
Write clearly using a red pen:

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- The electorate number and name onto the front of the envelope and the declaration
- this, I will prepare your ballot paper. If you have any questions, let me know. When you're finished, please place it back on my table. While you are doing Please fill in as many details as you can, tick a reason, sign and date it. **Tear** off the declaration and put it on a clipboard. Say:

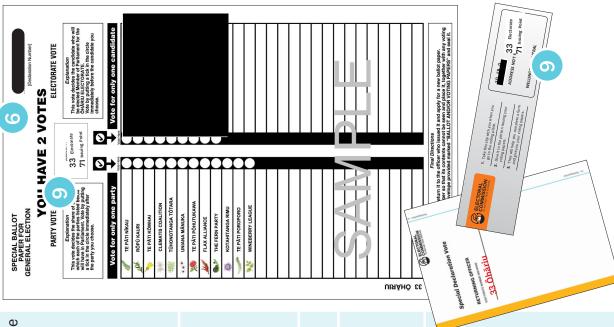
Give the declaration, black pen and clipboard to the voter.



While the voter is completing their declaration, match the electorate on the front of the envelope Copy the number from the envelope into the declaration number space on the ballot paper paper like this ... put it in the pocket ... remove the 'strip', seal the pocket and place the STAMP STAMP STAMP DATE SEAL When you go behind the voting screen, follow the instructions on the paper. Fold the Fold the ballot paper and say to the voter (indicating and demonstrating as you speak): SIGN ✓ ticked a ground(s) 🗸 signed and dated the form I'll check your declaration for you. **Fold** the declaration twice, put it into the declaration pocket and seal sign your name and date the declaration Cross out the name of the electorate on the cover of the pad **Check** the declaration that at minimum the voter has clearly: with the electorate on the Special Vote ballot paper. Official mark box on the ballot paper Issuing point box on the declaration Give the ballot paper and envelope to the voter envelope into the special vote ballot box. Voting card / Special Vote slip **Remove** the paper from the ballot pad **Cover** the number with a black sticker Once the voter has finished say: Complete the bottom: written their name On the ballot paper: Stamp: ဖ ∞ တ

Put the voting card or Special Vote slip into the container provided and reset your table.

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Enrolment form

- **Check** that the voter has written clearly:
- Their full name
- 2. Date of birth
- Current home address: if they have not lived there for at least one month, then the voter must also write their move date and previous address in Box 2A on the back of the form
- 4. Ticked the roll statement that applies to them
- Signed the declaration box and written the date.

If the voter has not completed all these sections, they should be asked to do so, otherwise their enrolment form may be invalid and their vote may not count.

Ask: Were you living at this address [indicate their current home address]

by Friday 15th September this year?

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If the answer is "Yes", look up the address in the Index to Places & Streets.

If the answer is "No", ask where they last lived for at least one month. Look up this address and ensure it is written on the back of the enrolment form, together with the move date.

3 **Check** whether the voter has ticked for the general or the Māori roll.

Say: Your electorate is [name the electorate].

Now we'll complete your declaration.

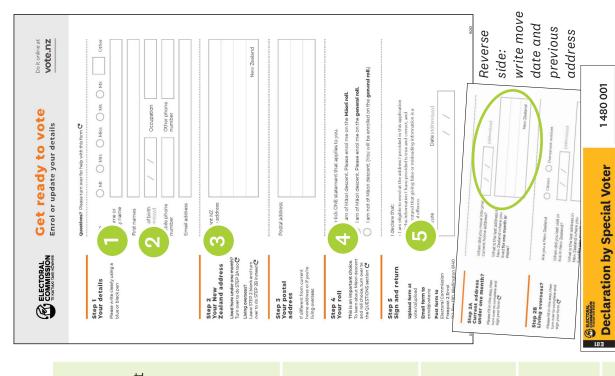
Write clearly using a red pen:

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- The electorate number and name onto the front of the envelope and declaration
- **Put** the completed enrolment form into the enrolment forms box.
- **Turn page over** and continue issuing the special vote from the instructions at **step 5** 📥 ဖ

1 believe I am eligible to vote 20 Mana

2 My family name is:



Voter has no forms

Jay.

That's okay. What is your address? [wait for response]
Were you living at this address by Friday 15th September this year?

If the answer is "Yes", look up the address in the Index to Places & Streets.

If the answer is "No", ask where they last lived for at least one month.

Look up this address.

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Are you on the general or the Māori roll?

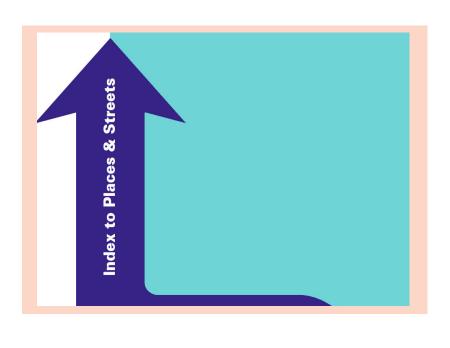
Write clearly using a red pen:

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The electorate number and name onto the front of the envelope and the declaration (find the electorate number on the front of the ballot paper pad)

Go back to page 19 and continue issuing the special vote from step 5 👃

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Common situations



Enrolment

"I turn 18 on Election Day. Can I still vote?"

Yes, you can. If you are not already enrolled, you can enrol up to and including on Election Day.

"Can I tick that I am of Māori descent?"

For enrolment purposes, Māori descent means that you are descended from a NZ Māori. This includes Chatham Island Māori, but not Cook Island Māori.

Voters of Māori descent who are enrolling for the first time can choose to enrol on the Māori roll or the general roll.

"What is the difference between choosing the Māori roll and the general roll?"

Your choice affects your electorate vote but not your party vote. On the Māori roll you'll vote for a candidate in a Māori electorate. On the general roll you'll vote for a candidate in a general electorate. You can vote for the same list of political parties whichever roll you are on.

"I am unsure if I am enrolled" or "I am not enrolled"

We can check your details on our eRoll or a printed roll. If we cannot find you, you can fill out an enrolment form and receive a special vote. You can enrol up to midnight on Election Day to vote in this election.

Roll changes since the last election



"When can I make my roll choice?"

If you are Māori, you choose which electoral roll you want to be on when you enrol for the first time. You can change your roll type at any time, except in the 3 months before a general election is being held

"Why can't I change in the 3 months before the election?"

There are times when voters can't change between the Māori and general rolls, including in the 3 months before a general election. The times when voters cannot change rolls is set out in the legislation passed by Parliament in November 2022.

"What's changed for Māori voters?"

Previously, once enrolled, Māori could change rolls during a 4-month Māori Electoral Option period held every 5 or 6 years. In November 2022, Parliament changed the law so Māori voters could change roll types at any time, except in the 3 months before a general election.

IMPORTANT: You must not direct or instruct someone of NZ Māori descent on which type of roll (general or Māori) they should enrol on, or promote one roll over the other.

If a person of NZ Māori descent is not sure which roll they want to enrol on, advise them that they can take the enrolment form away to talk with their whānau (family).

However, a voter cannot take voting papers issued to them outside of the voting place: they cannot decide to return their papers and vote later.



Home address

"What do I use as my home address?"

Your home address is the place you choose to make your home because of family, domestic or personal reasons.

Your home address does not change if you sometimes live away from home for work or education (or because of your partner's work or education).

"My home doesn't have a full address - what do I write?"

If your home doesn't have a full address, for example, your house isn't numbered or your street doesn't have a name, write as much information as you can about where your home is located and include any details such as names of neighbours or who lived in the house before you, if you know this.

Please provide your contact details such as an email address or phone number so we can contact you later if we need to follow up.

"I am a student living away from home"

If you are studying and living away from your family home, you will have chosen when you enrolled to use either your family home or your current address. If you do not have an EasyVote card, we can search for your details on our eRoll or in a printed roll.

If you wish to change your enrolment to your current home address, you can do this with an enrolment form and be issued with a special vote.

"I have more than one house"

You can only enrol to vote in one electorate. Use the address where you choose to make your home because of family, domestic or personal reasons.



In temporary accommodation or without a fixed address

"I don't have an address", "I live in a campervan", "I'm homeless"

This includes if a voter is living in a shelter, hotel, motel, camping ground, public space, or living with other people temporarily. It also includes if the voter's home is a campervan, motorhome or car that is not permanently in one place.

Use the address you last lived at least 1 month, even if that is some time ago. If you are unable to provide this, then you can use the address where you spend a lot of your time.

We will need a postal address on the enrolment form to send mail to you. The postal address could be a PO Box, or the address of a friend, family member, church or support group. Whoever is at the address needs to be someone who will agree to hold your mail for you to collect.

"I live on a ship or boat"

If your home is on a ship or boat that is permanently in a harbour, use the address of that ship or boat.

If your home is on a travelling ship or boat, use the last New Zealand address you lived at for at least 1 month, even if that is some time ago.

We will need a postal address on the enrolment form to send mail to you. The postal address could be a PO Box, or the address of a friend, family member, church or support group. Whoever is at the address needs to be someone who will agree to hold your mail for you to collect.



Overseas

"I have recently returned from overseas"

If you will have lived at your NZ address continuously for at least one month by Election Day, you are qualified to vote in the electorate at that address.

If less than one month, then the NZ address where you last lived for at least one month is used to determine your electorate.

If you are temporarily visiting NZ and need to enrol or update your details, then you also fill in Step 2B on the back of the enrolment form.



Help to complete the enrolment form or special vote declaration

"Can you help me fill out my enrolment form or special vote declaration?"

You can assist a voter with a physical impairment to complete the forms.

If the voter is physically unable to sign an enrolment form or special vote declaration, then you can sign the form and write next to the signature box

'Voter with physical impairment — signed by their direction'

Note that for a person with a mental impairment, there are different requirements for enrolling which include the person completing the form to have an enduring power of attorney or be the person's appointed welfare guardian. It is best in these situations to refer the person to the enrolment helpdesk on 0800 36 56 76.



Voter being influenced

If a support person is influencing a voter

It is an offence to communicate and/or influence a voter in a voting place. A support person should only provide general directions on how to vote and, for example, assist with naming the candidate and parties in alphabetical order (if the voter has reading or sight issues).

If it appears that the voter is being influenced, the Voting Place Manager should explain to the support person what they are allowed to do and ask the voter if they require assistance.



Different name

If the voter verbally gives a different name to what is on the printed roll.

Ask the voter if they are known by any other names, or what name they may have used to enrol with. Check if the voter uses their names in a different order or may have changed their name after marriage or by deed poll. If this gives you a match to the name on the roll and the voter confirms that the name on the roll is theirs, then continue to issue the ordinary vote.

The voter's details could also be searched for on the electronic roll if you have access to one.

If it is still unclear, then the voter should complete an enrolment form and be issued with a special vote.



A voter has someone else's EasyVote card

If it appears the voter has someone else's EasyVote card.

Ask the voter why that might be.

If the voter has brought the wrong EasyVote card in error:

- Stamp the front of the card
- Put the card in your disposal box, do not give it back to the voter
- Offer to find the voter's name on the roll and follow the steps to issue an ordinary vote.

If a voter intends to vote on behalf of another person.

Explain that no one, not even a person with power of attorney can cast a vote on behalf of the voter. Even if a voter has asked someone else to do that, doing so would be an offence. If a voter cannot get to a voting place, they can request another person to bring a takeaway vote to them, which can be returned to any voting place.



Takeaway vote

"My cousin has asked me to pick up his voting papers as he's sick and can't leave home"

Requests for takeaway votes should be referred to the Voting Place Manager.



Two forms

"Why do I have to fill in two forms?"

The enrolment form and special vote declaration are processed separately and currently the law does not allow one form to be used for both purposes.

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Unpublished roll

"I am on the unpublished roll" or "I am on the private roll"

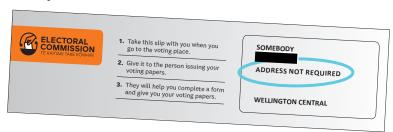
There are a number of reasons why a voter may be on the unpublished roll. Only the Registrar of Electors has access to this information. These voters cast a special vote.

Voters on the unpublished roll only need to complete as much detail as they wish to provide on the special vote declaration. If the voter writes their name and date of birth on the declaration, the Registrar will have a good chance of identifying the voter.

Unpublished roll voters are not required to give their address either on the declaration or to the Issuing Officer in order to cast a special vote.

They should also not be asked to provide any previous names.

Voters on the unpublished roll may have a Special Vote slip which gives their name and the electorate they are enrolled in, but states 'ADDRESS NOT REQUIRED'.



Always communicate quietly with these voters to provide some level of privacy.

"How do I enrol on the unpublished roll?"

Provide a copy of the brochure "Concerned About Your Personal Safety" (ROE47B) to the voter.



Reading or marking a ballot paper for a voter

If a voter needs someone to read the information on the ballot paper or needs help marking the ballot paper

Move to an area where you cannot be overheard:

- unless the voter knows who they want to vote for, you must read out the complete lists of all candidates and parties on the ballot paper
- you must mark the choice the voter has indicated to you

You must not provide information about any of the candidates or parties other than what is written on the paper.

Check that the voter's choice has been correctly marked.

Change the option marked if the voter agrees it has been incorrectly marked. Don't allow an interpreter or any support person assisting the voter to:

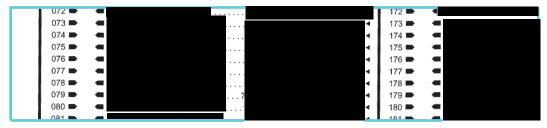
- interfere with the voter's choice about who to vote for
- provide information about candidates or parties that may influence their decision.



Using the electoral roll

"My name starts with Mc"

The electoral roll is organised alphabetically. However the 'Mc's are treated the same as 'Mac' and are listed at the front of the 'M' section.



"My dad and I have the same name"

Be careful when checking the roll that you find and mark off the correct name of the voter. Sometimes family members living at the same address have the same or similar names.

In this case, if the voter has not brought their EasyVote card to vote, you may have to check the voter's occupation to be sure that you are crossing off the correct voter's name. You can also ask the Voter Assistant to check their details on the eRoll using the voter's name and month of birth, to clarify the page number and line on the roll.



Leaving the voting place with papers issued to a voter

"I want to take my voting papers home and return them later"

"I've decided that I don't want to vote today"

If a voter has been issued with their ballot papers, whether an ordinary or a special vote, they cannot leave the voting place with them, or return them to a voting place staff member, to vote on another day.

Allow the voter time to think how they might want to vote.

The voter must put their ballot papers into the ballot box before leaving the voting place. If they choose to vote again, they will likely be investigated for dual voting and their votes could be disallowed.



Photos taken in voting place

What happens if someone takes a photo in the voting place or outside the voting place? (e.g. in a mall)

If they do, you cannot stop them. You can ask them not to post or use what they have recorded to maintain the secrecy of the vote and to protect people's privacy.



🦍 Disruptive behaviour

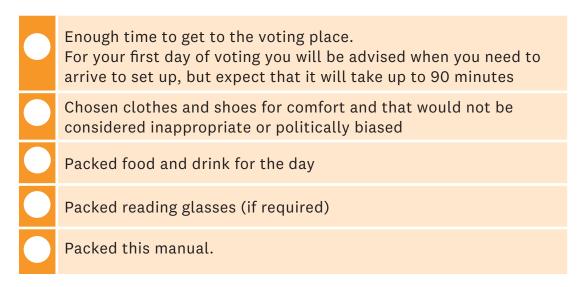
What if someone is behaving inappropriately or disturbing other voters?

People should only be in a voting place when they are voting or supporting someone who is voting. If a person is finished voting, or is not voting or supporting a voter, inform your Voting Place Manager who can ask them to leave a voting place.

If a person becomes disruptive, the Voting Place Manager will take the appropriate steps using guidance from the Incident Response Handbook that is supplied to each voting place.

Before leaving home

Check that you have:



All voting place staff will be given an orange vest by the Voting Place Manager to wear with their ID card. There are two sizes of vests.







All voting place staff must wear their vest and ID card at all times when working in the voting place. You should question any person who is handling materials such as ballot paper pads who is not wearing an ID card.

Before voting begins

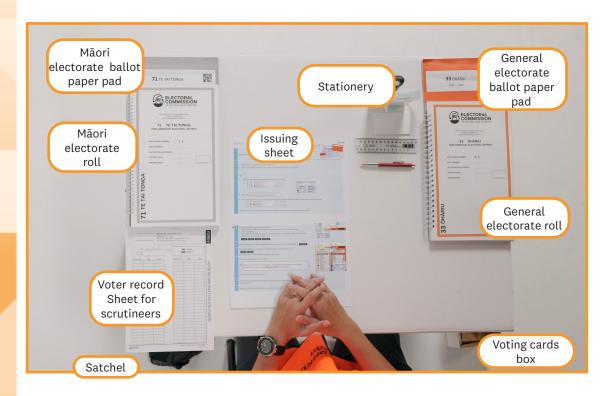
Setting up the issuing points

Your Manager will provide a satchel and the materials needed for each Issuing Officer.

If you are issuing for more than one electorate then set up your table with the materials for each electorate kept separate, or use a drop file to separate materials. You may also be sharing some electorate materials, these will be kept in a drop file between your self and your neighbouring Issuing Officer.

Ordinary vote issuing point: one or two electorates

- Stamp the cover of the first ballot paper pad with your issuing point stamp. On subsequent pads, stamp each cover as you start issuing from it
- ✓ Put black stickers on the numbers on the ballot papers, not the stubs.

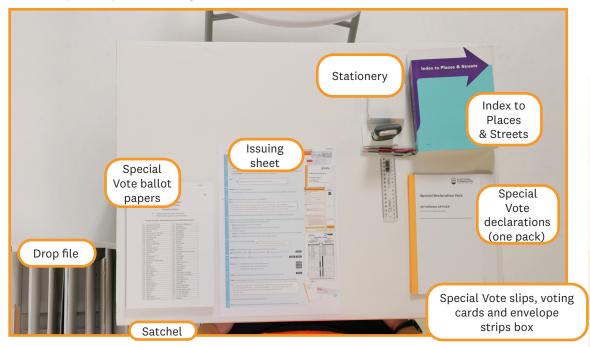


Other supplies:

In your satchel you will have spare ballot papers and/or declarations, depending on your role.

Special vote issuing points

- Place a chair for the voter on the other side of your issuing table at the mark on the floor
- Stamp the cover of the first declaration pack with your issuing point stamp and put it into your satchel.



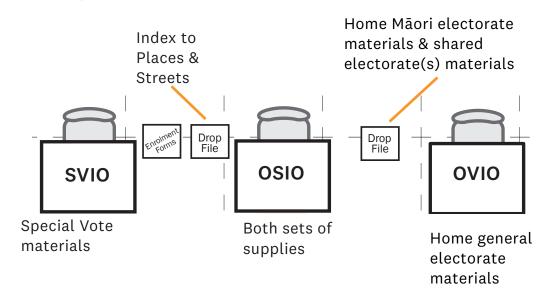
If there is still more than one Issuing Officer for special votes, then you will share the Index to Places & Streets between you.

Combined special and ordinary vote issuing points

If you have this role then you will mostly issue special votes and issue ordinary votes during busy times.

Keep ordinary vote materials on one side of the table and special vote materials on the other.

Sharing Materials



Before voting starts

Check you have:

	Signed in with the Voting Place Manager on Form S
	Been shown where all the facilities are such as toilets and break rooms
	Received a briefing from the Manager about emergency procedures, the location of the Incident Management handbook, hazards and security
•	Introduced yourself to other staff members and any scrutineers if present. Find out what languages other staff speak
	Know when your break times will likely be Note: break times may need to change at short notice if the voting place is busier than expected
	Switched off your cell phone or other electronic devices
	Checked that you have all the materials you need for your role
	Reviewed the vote issuing process(es) in this manual for your role.

Your own vote

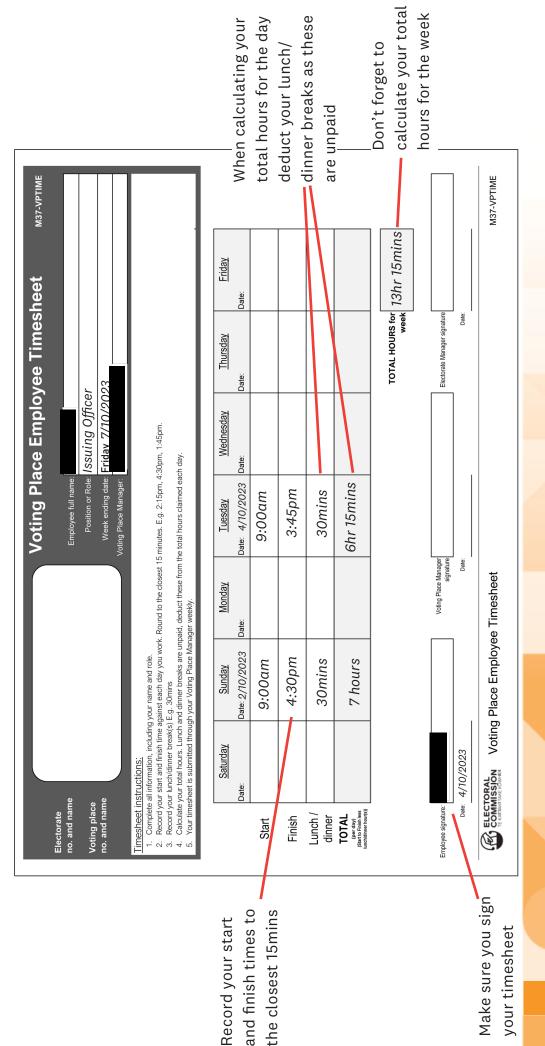
You may vote in your voting place at any time during opening hours.

Another staff member must issue you with your ballot paper; you cannot issue a ballot paper to yourself.

Completing your timesheet

Timesheets are located in the Voting Place folder.

Fill in your timesheet each day you are working in the voting place. If you are working in more than one voting place complete a separate timesheet at each one.



After voting finishes

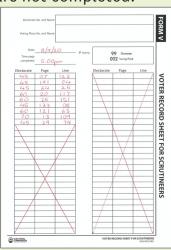
1 Check that the covers of part and fully used ballot paper pads and declaration cover sheets given to you have been stamped with your issuing point stamp.

Note: If more than one Issuing Officer has issued from a pad, then stamp the cover with each Issuing Officer's stamp.



2 For ordinary vote materials...

Stamp each completed Form V and cross through lines that are not completed.



For special vote materials...

Count the number of remaining special vote declarations

Write the date and the number counted on the front of the declaration cover sheet.

Note: Do not count the number of special vote ballot papers, or takeaway declarations

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Once the Voter Assistant has prepared the ballot boxes, place your materials in front of the matching ballot box in three separate piles:

- fully used
- part-used
- unused pads
- electoral rolls



After voting finishes

- 4 Place your:
 - S7 spoilt materials envelope,
 - All Form Vs
 - issuing point stamp

in front of the special vote ballot box



- Put all used voting cards and Special Vote slips for the voting place into one plastic bag in front of the special vote ballot box.
- Put your vest, pen(s), ruler and black sticky labels into your satchel
- Election Day ONLY
 Leave out a pen, black sticky labels, and a finger cone for the preliminary count.
 Return the satchel and all other supplies to the Manager's table.
- 8 Wait for further instructions.

Troubleshooting

This section covers the following situations that may arise:

1	A voter refuses to verbally give or confirm their name
2	A voter has spoiled a ballot paper, declaration or enrolment form
3	The wrong name is marked off the roll
4	Ballot papers and declarations are running out
5	A voter may have already voted
6	Concerns about a scrutineer's conduct
7	Concerns about the use of social media
8	More complex situations

1. A voter refuses to verbally give or confirm their name

Voters may not want to state or confirm their name verbally, or may ask why they need to. There are other ways for a voter to say their name on page 11.

In this case the Issuing Officer or Voting Place Manager should say:

"All voters who want to cast an ordinary vote are required by law to give or confirm their name."

If they still do not want to verbally say or confirm their name, offer to the voter that they can make a written declaration and refer them to a Special Vote Issuing Officer.

Explain to the Special Vote Issuing Officer that the voter does not want to verbally give or confirm their name so will be completing a special vote declaration.

2. A voter has spoiled a ballot paper, declaration or enrolment form

2a. Ballot paper

You cannot issue a replacement paper if the voter has put the spoilt one in the ballot box.

If a voter returns their ballot paper that is spoilt:

- Ask the voter to tick all boxes on the ballot paper and return it to the Issuing Officer who gave it to them
- 2 If the spoilt ballot paper is for an ordinary vote
 - Find the voter's page and line number in the electoral roll.
 Use this to find the ballot paper stub with the matching page and line number
 - Write on the spoilt ballot paper and its corresponding stub: 'Spoilt by voter and a fresh ballot paper issued' and initial this
 - Issue a fresh ballot paper and on its corresponding stub, write the voter's page and line number from the roll and 'fresh ballot paper issued for spoilt one'
 - Put the spoilt ballot paper into your spoilt materials S7 envelope.

If the spoilt ballot paper is for a special vote

- Copy the declaration number from the special vote envelope onto a fresh ballot paper
- Place a black sticker over the declaration number
- Write across the spoilt ballot paper 'Spoilt by voter and a fresh ballot paper issued' and initial this
- Put the spoilt ballot paper into your spoilt materials S7 envelope.

2b. Declaration

or)

If a voter spoils their special vote declaration:

- Write across the special vote declaration:
 'Spoilt by voter and a fresh declaration issued' and initial this
- Put the spoilt declaration and its envelope into your spoilt materials S7 envelope
- 3 Issue a fresh special vote declaration. Ensure the correct declaration number is recorded on the special vote ballot papers.

Note: If an Issuing Officer spoils a special vote or declaration, the same process applies. Instead of 'Spoilt by voter' write 'Spoilt by Issuing Officer'.

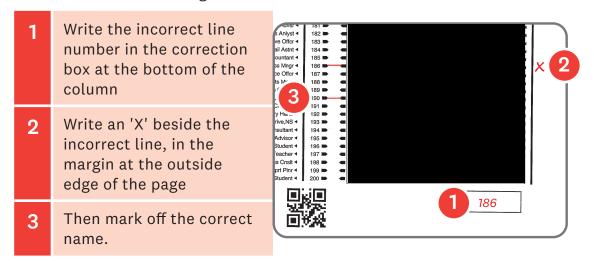
2c. Enrolment Form

If a voter spoils an enrolment form, put a cross through the front and write 'spoilt by voter' and provide them with another form. Put the spoilt form into your S7 envelope for spoilt materials.

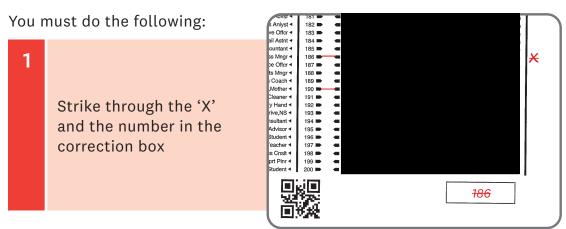
3. The wrong name is marked off the roll

3a. If you mark the wrong name off the roll

You must do the following:



3b. If the voter incorrectly crossed off then arrives at the voting place to vote



3c. If the voter has already been issued their ballot paper when you notice the error

Correct the roll pageFind the original ballot paper stub and write the correct page and line number on it.



4. Ballot papers and declarations are running out

The Voting Place Manager holds spare supplies of voting papers and special vote declarations. If Issuing Officers are starting to use these pads or packs, the Voting Place Manager must contact the Mobile Support or your electorate HQ straight away for further supplies.

If the voting place is running low on ballot paper pads or declarations, and electorate headquarters is unable to deliver further ones straight away, Issuing Officers may issue:

- Photocopied ordinary ballot papers in the first instance and use special vote ballot papers or handwritten ballot papers as a last resort.
- Photocopied declarations

The Voting Place Manager must consult with the Electorate Manager before either photocopying or handwriting ordinary vote ballot papers and photocopying declarations.

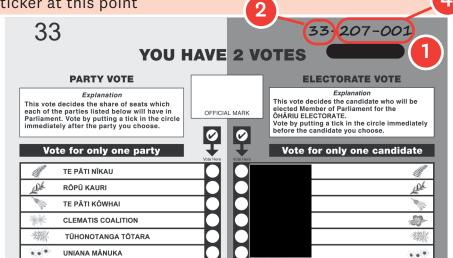
3a. Ballot papers

To photocopy ordinary vote ballot papers the Voting Place Manager will:

- Cover the printed consecutive number on an unused ballot paper with a black sticker
- Write the home electorate number above the black sticker in the top right hand corner
- 3 Photocopy the ballot paper (as many times as required)
- Create a consecutive number for each ballot and write it on the ballot paper. Beside the electorate number write the issuing point number and a unique three digit number starting with 001. For example:



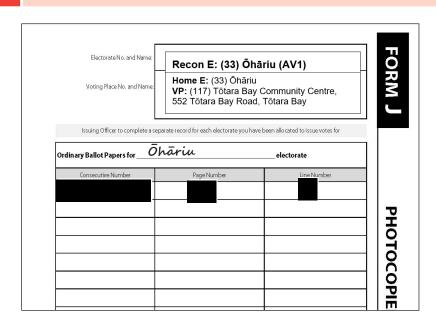
Do not cover the handwritten consecutive number with a black sticker at this point





To issue photocopied ordinary vote ballot papers the Issuing Officer will:

- Record each voter's page and line number and consecutive number on *Form J Photocopied*. This record serves the same purpose as the details recorded on the stubs of printed ballot papers.
- 6 Follow the same vote issuing procedure as when issuing a printed ballot paper.



4b. Special Vote Declarations

To photocopy special vote declarations the Voting Place Manager will:

Cover the printed consecutive number on an unused declaration with a black sticker 2 Write the home electorate number above the black sticker in the top right hand corner 3 Photocopy the declaration (as many times as required) Create a consecutive number on each declaration. 4 Beside the electorate number write the issuing point number and a unique three digit number starting with 001. For example: 33-207-001 Home Issuing electorate Unique three point number digit number number 4 33-207-001 **Declaration by Special Voter** I believe I am eligible to vote in the electorate of: My family name is: My first names are: Previous name I may be enrolled under (if applicable): My date of birth is: My occupation is: DAY MONTH My contact telephone number is: My current address is: FLAT/HOUSE No. / STREET/ROAD

To issue photocopied declarations the Issuing Officer will:



- Record each consecutive number on *Form J Photocopied*. In the page and line number fields on the form, write the electorate the special vote was issued for.
- Follow the same vote issuing procedure as when issuing a declaration, ensuring it is stamped with an issuing point stamp.
- The Voting Place Manager should have supplies of E79 (takeaway vote) envelopes that you can ask the voter to seal their declaration and ballot paper into. Write the declaration number you have created and the electorate on the front of the envelope.
- Ask the voter to put the envelope with the declaration and ballot paper into the Special Vote ballot box.

5. A voter may have already voted

There may be a situation where it is unclear whether a voter has already voted.

This could be because the voter's name has already been marked off the roll, or there is suspicion by an Issuing Officer, the Voting Place Manager, or a scrutineer that a voter has already voted in this election.

Should this occur it must be explained to the voter that:

As it is unclear if you have already voted, you are required to answer in writing. The Electoral Act authorises this and it is an offence not to answer or to knowingly provide a false answer.

The following process applies for the Issuing Officer:

- 1 Ask the Voting Place Manager for Form N Questions To Voter
- 2 Complete on the form:
 - The page and line number from the roll if an ordinary vote
 - The voter's name and electorate
 - The Official Use box stating who questioned the voter and the reason why the form is being completed

Then sign and stamp the form

- Ask the voter to write their answers to the questions and sign the form
- 4 If the voter states that they have previously voted, advise the voter that they are not able to vote again at this election
- If the voter states that they have not previously voted, then issue the ballot paper.

If Form N has been completed because the voter's name is already crossed off the roll: ask the voter once they have voted to bring their folded ballot paper back to you.

If the voter is only suspected to have already voted by an electoral official or scrutineer: advise the voter to put their ballot paper in the ballot box when they have voted.

Ask the Voting Place Manager to put the completed Form N and if required as above, the ballot and ballot paper, into Envelope P5.



If a voter has any concerns about the process, the Voting Place Manager should contact the Electorate Manager.

6. Concerns about a scrutineer's conduct



Scrutineers must not intervene in or impede voting, or influence a voter's choice.

They are not permitted to talk to voters, handle voting cards or ballot papers.

If a scrutineer does intervene, impede or influence a voter, the Voting Place Manager will follow these steps:

- Ask the scrutineer to refrain from the behaviour, reminding them that their role is to oversee and observe the procedures but not to become involved in them
- If the scrutineer continues to intervene, contact the Electorate Manager and inform them of the situation so that they can take the action required.

The Voting Place Manager can also refer to the Scrutineer's Handbook for guidance.

7. Concerns about the use of social media

If any staff member notices another staff member or scrutineer using social media, ask the Voting Place Manager to:

- Remind them that they cannot comment about what is happening in a voting place; this is part of the *Declaration of Secrecy* that they signed before voting started
- If the staff member or scrutineer questions this, the Voting Place Manager should contact the Electorate Manager for them to speak with the person involved.

8. More complex situations

If there are any doubts, the Voting Place Manager should use the Incident Management Handbook and call the Electorate Manager if necessary.

The Voting Place Manager must contact the Electorate Manager if:

- There is an accident in the voting place (write the details in M33-INCIDENT Incident, Near Miss and Injury Report)
- There are concerns about candidate advertising or activities in or around the voting place, particularly if voters are hindered.

If you are calling your Mobile Support or Electorate Manager to report a problem or incident, provide the following information:

- Who: your name & number
- When it happened
- Where it happened (address/description)
- What happened
- What you did
- What you intend to do next

Glossary

Agent A person appointed by a voter to collect a

takeaway vote on their behalf

Ballot box Box used for voter to place their completed ballot

paper

Ballot paper Paper on which the voter indicates their preferred

candidate and political party

EasyVote card Card posted to every voter on the printed

electoral roll, providing their details from the roll

Election Day The day of the election

Electoral roll The printed roll used to issue ordinary votes

Electorate Geographical area defined for voting purposes

Electorate The building from which a Electorate Manager

headquarters runs their electorate

Electorate Manager Person responsible for the management of an

electorate

Enrolment form The application form used to enrol to vote or to

update enrolment details

eRoll An electronic version of the electoral roll

General electorate Electorate for voters on the general roll

Issuing Officer Person responsible for issuing votes

Issuing point Where votes are issued within a voting place

Issuing Support

Officer

Person who fills in for other staff on breaks and

supports the VPM with end of day tasks

Māori electorate Electorate for voters on the Māori roll

Mobile Support Person responsible for visiting voting places to

ensure processes are being followed and supplies

are appropriately stocked

Ordinary vote A vote cast by a voter who is on an electoral roll

at the voting place they attend

Reconciliation Process to account for every used and unused

ordinary ballot and voting paper and special vote

declaration

Reference roll A roll that is not used to issue votes from, also

known as a composite roll

Registrar of Electors Person responsible for the management of an

electoral roll(s)

Scrutineer Person who observes the conduct of the election

on behalf of candidates

Security Guard Person who is employed to assist with

maintaining a safe and secure voting place

Special vote A vote cast by a voter whose name is not on an

electoral roll at an voting place (may also be referred to as a 'special declaration vote')

Special Vote slip A tear-off slip from the letter mailed to a voter

who enrolled after the electoral roll was printed, or who is on the unpublished roll, providing their details from the electoral roll and how to vote

Takeaway vote A type of special vote that can be completed

outside of a voting place

Unpublished roll A roll containing the names of voters whose

personal details are not released publicly

Voter Assistant Person who helps to manage queues of voters

and the enrolment process in a voting place

Voting Place A physical site where voting takes place

Voting Place Manager Person responsible for managing a voting place

Symbols used:



Voting Place Manager



Voter



Issuing Officer



Agent (for takeaway votes)



Issuing Support Officer



Mobile Support



Voter Assistant



Security Gard

Notes:

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Keep yourself and others safe in the voting place.

Tell your Manager immediately if you notice anything that could be a hazard or could hurt you or someone else.

A hazard could be:

- An electrical cord lying across the floor or hanging loose from the wall
- · A rip in the carpet or a raised piece of flooring
- A puddle of water on the floor.

Your Manager will look for ways to deal with the hazard, by either removing it, isolating it, or otherwise ensuring that it is no longer a problem.

When lifting heavy items, keep a straight back and bend your knees. Ask for help if you need it. Help others with lifting heavy or awkwardly shaped items, including at the end of the day when loading voting materials into vehicles.

Accidents, other incidents and near misses

- Tell the Voting Place Manager if you have an injure during the day, even if it is minor. The Manager has a first aid kit, and you may be asked to complete an incident form.
- If an accident happens to someone else, you may be asked to help with the response or with contacting others. After the situation is resolved, you may be asked to help with completing an incident reporting form
- Report serious non-injury incidents or near misses. For example something safety related that the building owner should know about.

You are likely to be very tired at the end of a long day at the Voting Place, and for some, a long drive home may be unsafe for you. Make a plan during the day of what you will do to get home safely, if you find yourself in this situation.

If there is a threat to people, materials or property - call 111

Before voting begins:

- Get familiar with the voting place including the location of the evacuation assembly point
- Make sure you know at least two ways out of the building
- Be aware of where the Incident Management Handbook is located in the voting place

If you need to leave the voting place as a result of an emergency:

- Leave all elections material behind
- Go straight to the assembly point
- Continue with your own personal evacuation plans once you have reported to your Manager.

REMEMBER:

People are the priority.

Ensure you and those around you are safe.

DO NOT

- X Try to take elections material with you
- X Re-enter the building once you have left

REMAIN CALM LEAVE THE VOTING PLACE QUICKLY

Electorate Manager's phone number