

Appointing a voting proxy

If, for any reason, you will be unable to personally cast your ballot, you may appoint someone to go to the voting place and cast a ballot on your behalf. This person is called your voting proxy.

Note: Voting by proxy may not be available if your municipality offers voting options such as vote by mail, telephone or internet.

To appoint a voting proxy, you must fill out two copies of the Appointment for Voting Proxy Form (Form 3) and give the copies to the person that you are appointing as your proxy.

You must know who you want to appoint as your proxy when you fill out and sign the form. The person you want to appoint must be eligible to vote in the election, and should be someone you trust to mark the ballot in the way you have instructed them to.

You can appoint a proxy after the nominations have been certified. In most municipalities this will be done by 4 p.m. on August 22, 2022. Contact your clerk to find out the deadline for appointing a voting proxy.

Being a voting proxy

If someone has appointed you as their voting proxy you must take the completed forms to the municipal clerk to get them certified. Once the forms have been certified, you may cast a vote on behalf of the person who appointed you.

If you are appointed as the proxy for one family member you may also be appointed as the proxy for additional family members.

Family member refers to a spouse, sibling, parent, child, grandparent or grandchild. There is no limit to the number of times you may be appointed, but it must only be for family members. You cannot be appointed as a proxy for a non-family member and a family member at the same time.

If you are appointed as the proxy for a person who is not a family member, you can act as the proxy for this one person only. You cannot be a proxy for anyone else.

Power of attorney or executors

The only way to vote on someone else's behalf is to be appointed as their voting proxy. You cannot vote on someone's behalf if you have legal or medical power of attorney or are acting as a person's executor or in any other representative capacity.