



Gambier Island Local Trust Area

2026 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

Are you eligible to vote in the October elections for Trustee for the Gambier Island Local Trust Area? Is your name on the current list of electors? If you are not sure, you can find out by calling the Sunshine Coast Regional District at 604-885-6800 or visiting the Administration office at 1975 Field Road, Sechelt, BC V7Z 0A8. The office is open from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday (excluding holidays).

ELECTOR QUALIFICATIONS

RESIDENT ELECTORS:

- 18 years of age or older on general voting day for the election (October 17, 2026); and
- a Canadian citizen; and
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration; and
- a resident of the Gambier Island Local Trust Area; and
- not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election or assent voting and not otherwise disqualified by law.

NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTORS:

- 18 years of age or older on general voting day for the election (October 17, 2026); and
- a Canadian citizen; and
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration; and
- a registered owner of real property in the Gambier Island Local Trust Area for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration; and
- the only persons who are registered owners of the property, either as joint tenants or tenants in common, are individuals who are not holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust; and
- not entitled to register as a resident elector; and
- not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election or assent voting and not otherwise disqualified by law; and
- **if there is more than one registered owner of the property, only one of those individuals may, with the written consent of the majority of the owners, register as a non-resident property elector;** and
- **a person may only register as a non-resident property elector in relation to one parcel of real property in a jurisdiction.**

NOTE: No corporation is entitled to be registered as an elector or have a representative registered as an elector and no corporation is entitled to vote.

ADVANCE NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR REGISTRATION (IF YOU QUALIFY AS A NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR, PRE-REGISTRATION IS RECOMMENDED)

Advance **non-resident property elector registrations** will be accepted at the Sunshine Coast Regional District office until August 25, 2026. (See box at top of ad for address and times). For your name to appear on the List of Registered Electors, your completed registration form, together with other required documentation (written consent of a majority of owners of the property where necessary, and proof of ownership) must be received at the Sunshine Coast Regional District office on or before that date. After August 25th, with the exception of registrations on voting days, elector registration for non-resident property electors does not re-open until Monday, October 19, 2026.

If as a non-resident property elector, you choose to apply to register on voting day, you must have the following documentation with you: proof of ownership, two pieces of identification (one of which must

contain your signature) and written consent of a majority of the property owners if there is more than one owner. Registration forms will be available prior to voting day through the Regional District office, on the SCRD website at www.scrd.ca/elections or at the voting places on voting day.

** Please note that Gambier Island Local Trust Area electors who own property on Passage or Bowyer Islands are included within the boundaries of the Greater Vancouver Regional District (Metro Vancouver) Electoral Area A rather than the Sunshine Coast Regional District and as such will be required to register in accordance with Metro Vancouver procedures. Registration for Metro Vancouver electors will take place on voting day only. Please contact Metro Vancouver at 604-432-6250 for further information.*

RESIDENT ELECTOR REGISTRATION

There is no advance registration for resident electors. Eligible resident electors, who are not on the List of Registered Electors, may apply to register on voting day by providing at least two pieces of identification (at least one with a signature). Picture identification is not necessary. The identification must prove both residency and identity of the elector. If an elector does not have documentation showing residency, two pieces of identification are still required (at least one with a signature) and the elector must make a solemn declaration as to the applicant's place of residence.

LIST OF REGISTERED ELECTORS

Beginning September 1, 2026, until the close of general voting for the election on October 17, 2026, a copy of the list of registered electors will be available for public inspection at the Sunshine Coast Regional District office at the address and times shown in the box at the top of this notice. Before inspecting the list, a person must sign a statement that they will not inspect the list or use the information included in the list except for the purposes of Part 3 – Electors and Elections of the *Local Government Act*.

REQUEST TO OMIT OR OBSCURE

An elector may request that their address or other personal information about them be omitted from or obscured on the list of electors. The elector must contact the Chief Election Officer or the Deputy Chief Election Officer to make this request.

OBJECTION TO REGISTRATION OF AN ELECTOR

An objection to the registration of a person whose name appears on the list of registered electors may be made in accordance with the *Local Government Act* until 4:00 pm on September 11, 2026. An objection must be in writing and may only be made by a person entitled to be registered as an elector of the Gambier Island Local Trust Area and can only be made on the basis that a person whose name appears on the list of electors has died or that a person whose name appears on the list of electors is not qualified to be registered as an elector of the Gambier Island Local Trust Area.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION on these matters, the following persons may be contacted: Sherry Reid, Chief Election Officer at 604-885-6825, Kristi Evans, Deputy Chief Election Officer at 604-885-6813

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