

Enrolling to vote: Application

YOU MUST ENROL
if you are qualified to do so.

When you enrol to vote in parliamentary elections, your details are also made available to your local authority for the purpose of including you on the rolls for local elections.

If you have any questions about enrolment -

- See the information attached to this form.
- Ask your Registrar of Electors, or the staff of any New Zealand PostShop or agency, or call 0800 ENROL NOW (0800 36 76 56).
- See the elections website at www.elections.org.nz

If you are physically disabled or outside New Zealand, another person may be able to fill out this form and sign it for you.

SECTION A

Please print using
black or blue ink pen

My details

This is the address where you choose to make your home. If your house or flat does not have a street or road number, please give extra details in Section E on the next page.

If you answer 'No' or you live outside New Zealand, please fill in Section C on the next page

Please give your postal address if different from your residential address

If you answer 'Yes' please fill in Section D on the next page

You must enrol for a General electorate. Please sign in the General electorate box in Section B.

My surname or family name is:

My given or first names are:

My title is:

Mr Mrs Miss Ms

Other title →

eg Dr, Professor

My residential address is:

Flat/House number:

Street/Road:

Suburb, Town, City or Locality:

Have you resided for at least the last month at this address?

Yes No

My postal address is:

My date of birth is:

/ /
Day Month Year

My occupation is:

Do you want to be able to update your details electronically in future?

Yes No

My contact telephone numbers are:

Mobile Work Home

Are you a New Zealand Māori or a descendant of a New Zealand Māori?

No Yes

To find out if you can choose to enrol for a Māori electorate or a General electorate, first read the information attached to this form.

SECTION B

Declaration

Sign in one of the boxes below
You must **sign** and date this declaration **yourself**, unless you are physically disabled or outside New Zealand.
See the information attached to this form.

General electorate

1. I believe I am qualified to enrol as a voter.
2. My details are given correctly on this form.
3. I apply to enrol for a General electorate.

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Signature

Date

Māori electorate

1. I believe I am qualified to enrol as a voter.
2. My details are given correctly on this form.
3. I am a New Zealand Māori or a descendant of a New Zealand Māori.
4. I apply to enrol for a Māori electorate.

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Signature

Date

Now that you have filled out this form, signed and dated it, please return it in the envelope provided, or post it to the Electoral Enrolment Centre, Freepost 2 ENROL, PO Box 190, Wellington 6140, hand it in at any New Zealand PostShop, fax it to 04 801 0709 or scan your completed form and email it to enrolme@elections.org.nz.

SECTION C

Only fill in Section C if you have resided for less than one month in your house or flat, or if you live outside New Zealand

If you live in New Zealand

I moved to my current residence on:

/	/	
<small>Day</small>	<small>Month</small>	<small>Year</small>

The last address in New Zealand where I resided for at least 1 month was:

<small>Flat/House number:</small>
<small>Street/Road:</small>
<small>Suburb, Town, City or Locality:</small>

I resided there from:

/	/	
<small>Day</small>	<small>Month</small>	<small>Year</small>

to:

/	/	
<small>Day</small>	<small>Month</small>	<small>Year</small>

If you live outside New Zealand

I was last in New Zealand on:

/	/	
<small>Day</small>	<small>Month</small>	<small>Year</small>

I moved overseas on:

/	/	
<small>Day</small>	<small>Month</small>	<small>Year</small>

The last address in New Zealand where I resided for at least 1 month before moving overseas was:

<small>Flat/House number:</small>
<small>Street/Road:</small>
<small>Suburb, Town, City or Locality:</small>

I resided there from:

/	/	
<small>Day</small>	<small>Month</small>	<small>Year</small>

to:

/	/	
<small>Day</small>	<small>Month</small>	<small>Year</small>

SECTION D

Only fill in Section D if you want to be able to update your details electronically in future

Electronic update transactions

My email address is:

SECTION E

Only fill in Section E if your house or flat does not have a street or road number

Sketch map showing where you reside

NORTH

Names of your nearest neighbours on your side of the road

Name of the person who resided in your house or flat before you (if you know it). Please say if the house is newly built

Name of landlord (if you have one)

If you own the property, give the DP Lot Number of the property from your rates account (if you know it)

If your property has been allocated a Rural Address Property Identification (RAPID) number, please show it here

You must enrol if

- you are a New Zealand citizen or a permanent resident of New Zealand, and
- you are 18 or older, and
- you have at any time resided in New Zealand continuously for one year or more, and
- you are not disqualified (see “*Grounds of disqualification*” below).

You may apply if you are 17

If you are 17, you can fill in the form and return it now. We will then enrol you as a voter when you turn 18. At that time we will write to you to say that we have enrolled you.

Grounds of disqualification

- You cannot enrol if:
 - you are a New Zealand citizen who is outside New Zealand and has not been in New Zealand within the last 3 years or
 - you are a permanent resident of New Zealand who is outside New Zealand and has not been in New Zealand within the last 12 months.

**NOTE that there are exceptions to the above two rules – for example, public servants or members of the Defence Force who are on duty outside New Zealand, as well as members of their families.
– if you are unsure call 0800 ENROL NOW (0800 36 76 56) or see www.elections.org.nz*
- There are other grounds of disqualification that affect a very small number of people. Registrars of Electors are notified of people covered by any such ground. A Registrar of Electors would contact any person applying to enrol who appeared to be subject to such disqualification to discuss his or her qualification to enrol. However, if you have any questions or concerns about other grounds of disqualification, call 0800 ENROL NOW (0800 36 76 56) or see www.elections.org.nz

What happens if I don't enrol?

The law requires you to enrol as a voter if you are qualified to do so. You are required to provide all the information on the form. It is an offence not to enrol if you are qualified to do so. People who are convicted of the offence, face a fine of up to \$100 for a first conviction, and up to \$200 for a further conviction.

Instructions for filling in the form**Truth**

You must be sure that what you say in this form is true.

What parts of the form do I fill out?

You must fill in sections A and B.

You also need to fill in section C if you live in New Zealand and you have answered “No” in section A to the question “*Have you resided for at least the last month at this address?*”, or if you live outside New Zealand.

You will need to fill in section D if you want to be able to update your enrolment details electronically in future, and section E if your house or flat does not have a street or road number.

Signing the application

You must sign this form yourself unless you are physically disabled or you are outside New Zealand. If you are physically disabled or you are outside New Zealand, another person may sign on your behalf.

That person must be:

- someone to whom you have granted a power of attorney, or
- someone who is already enrolled as a voter, and who says on the form that the form is being signed and returned by your direction.

The person signing must also say on the form that you are physically disabled or are outside New Zealand (whichever applies).

If the application is for a person who is unable to understand the nature of the decision to enrol as a voter, then you may be able to apply for them. Call 0800 ENROL NOW (0800 36 76 56) for details.

How do we work out your electorate?

Your electorate will be the last one in which you resided for at least one month.

What does “reside” mean?

People have a wide range of living arrangements which may involve living in more than one place at various times. However, you can be enrolled only for one electorate. We will enrol you for the electorate in which you “reside”.

You “reside” at the place where you choose to make your home because of family or personal relations or for other domestic or personal reasons. Just because you may be occasionally or temporarily absent from that place does not mean that you do not reside there. Being absent from your place of residence because of your employment or education (or your spouse’s employment or education) does not affect where you “reside” either. The most important factor in working out where you reside is where you choose to make your home.

If you have questions about where you “reside”, please contact your Registrar of Electors or the staff of any New Zealand PostShop or agency or call 0800 ENROL NOW (0800 36 76 56).

What happens if I change my address?

Every time you change your address, you must tell the Registrar of Electors. You can do this by filling in a change of address form at any New Zealand PostShop or by filling in this form. You can also use this form to tell the Registrar of Electors that you wish to be able to update your enrolment details electronically, in future - see ‘Electronic Transactions’ in this information sheet.

If you do not tell us your new address or re-enrol, your vote may not count.

What happens to the information I supply?

What is the information about voters used for?

When you enrol, we will publish your name, the address where you reside, and your occupation in the roll of your electorate. The roll is a list of voters which any member of the public can look at and is used on election day for voting. We may give this information to scientific or health researchers, political candidates, members of Parliament or political parties. We can also tell them your age group, postal address and whether you are of Māori descent. The information is also used to make up lists of people who might be called to serve on a jury.

Is there any way to stop the information being published?

Yes. If you think you, or your family's personal safety could be put at risk because information about you is published in the roll, you can ask to have details put in an unpublished roll. This cannot be looked at by members of the public. However, before we put your details in an unpublished roll, you will need to show us that you or your family's safety could be put at risk.

There are a number of ways of doing this, for example showing us a protection order, or a restraining order, or a statutory declaration from a constable.

Access to information

You have the right to ask for access to information about you held by the Registrar of Electors. You may also ask for this information to be corrected.

Checking the information

We may carry out information matching with details from a number of government agencies (under authorised information matching programmes) to ensure that the electoral roll is complete and correct.

Electronic transactions

A person is able to update their enrolment details electronically once they have filled in, and the Registrar of Electors has accepted, an 'Enrolling to vote: Application' form that shows they want to opt in to this service. An applicant's email address is also required.

The electronic updating of enrolment details is accessed via an igovt logon which allows the use of the same logon details to access various government online services – igovt is secure and maintains your privacy.

Once your enrolment has been processed you will be contacted at the email address provided on your application form to complete registration with the elections enrolment online service. This will either require you to set up an igovt logon, or to use your existing igovt logon if you have one.

Should you decide you no longer wish to be able to update your enrolment details electronically, you need to advise the Registrar of Electors that you opt out of the electronic transactions option. Access to your enrolment record will be amended accordingly.



Choosing to enrol in a Māori electorate

If you are a New Zealand Māori or a descendant of a New Zealand Māori, you have a choice of enrolling for either a General electorate or a Māori electorate **IF**:

- you are enrolling for the first time, or
- although you are not enrolling for the first time, you were not, on 3 April 2006, on the roll for any electorate and you have not enrolled for any electorate since that date, or
- you are completing this form during a Māori Electoral Option.

If none of the above situations applies to you, but you are using this form to update your electoral details, you do not have a choice. You must remain enrolled for the same type of electorate (Māori or General) for which you are currently enrolled.

If you answered 'yes' to the question in section A asking whether you are a New Zealand Māori or a descendant of New Zealand Māori you will be sent an option form at the time of the next Māori Electoral Option in 2013. You will then be able to change from one type of roll to the other if you choose to do so.

If you do not answer the question, or if you answer 'no', then you will be treated for electoral purposes as a person who is not of New Zealand Māori descent. You will be enrolled for a general electorate and will not be sent an option form for the next Māori Electoral Option.

Ko tō kōwhiringa kia rēhita ki tētahi rohe pōti Māori

Mēnā he Māori koe nō Aotearoa, he uri rānei nō tētahi Māori nō Aotearoa, ka taea e koe te whiriwhiri me rēhita ki tētahi rohe pōti whānui, ki tētahi rohe pōti Māori rānei **mehemea**:

- koiane te wā tuatahi e rēhita ana koe hei kaupōti,
- ahakoa rānei ehara tēnei i te wā tuatahi e rēhita ana koe, kāhore koe i rēhitatia ki te rārangi pōti i tētahi rohe pōti i te 3 o Paenga-whāwhā 2006, ā, kāhore koe i rēhita ki tētahi rohe pōti mai i taua rā,
- kei te whakakī rānei koe i tēnei puka i te wā o te Kōwhiringa Pōti Māori.

Mehemea kāhore tētahi āhuatanga o runga nei i te pā ki a koe engari e whakamahī kē koe i tēnei pukapuka hei whakahou i ngā kōrero mōu, kāhore i a koe te kōwhiringa nei. Me noho tonu koe ki te momo rohe pōti (Māori, whānui rānei) e noho nei koe i tēnei wā.

Me i 'āe' mai koe ki te pātai i te Wāhanga A, e pātai ana mehemea he Māori koe nō Aotearoa, he uri rānei nō tētahi Māori nō Aotearoa, ka tukuna he puka kōwhiringa ki a koe mō te Kōwhiringa Pōti Māori o muri atu, arā, ā te tau 2013. Hei reira rawa koe ka āhei ki te whakawhiti mai i tētahi momo rohe pōti ki tētahi, mehemea e pīrangī ana koe.

Ki te kore koe e whakautu i te pātai, ki te whakautu rānei i te pātai ki te 'kāo', ka kīia koe ehara i te tangata whakapapa Māori mō ngā take pōti. Ka whakaurua koe ki tētahi rohe pōti whānui, ā, e kore e tukuna he puka kōwhiringa ki a koe i te wā o te Kōwhiringa Pōti Māori o muri atu.

If you would like an acknowledgement when you hand in your completed application at a New Zealand PostShop, fill in your name in the panel below and have a staff member sign and date stamp it.

To:	
Applicant's name	
I have received your application. The Registrar of Electors will write to you when your application has been dealt with.	DATE STAMP
.....	
for New Zealand Post Limited	