

Rural Municipality of Orkney No. 244

Bylaw 13/2026

A Bylaw to Establish General Election Procedures

The Council for the Rural Municipality of Orkney No. 244 enacts as follows:

Section 1 - Interpretation

1. This Bylaw shall be known as the General Election Bylaw.
 - a. The authority for this Bylaw lies with *The Local Government Elections Act, 2015*, and the amendments and regulations.
 - b. This Bylaw is designed to list the common timelines, regulations and forms in *The Local Government Elections Act, 2015 (LGEA)*. This is not to replace the LGEA.
 - c. This bylaw will not speak to votes on bylaws, referendums, resolutions or questions.
2. Definitions
 - a. In this bylaw:
 - i. "Council" shall mean the Council of the Rural Municipality of Orkney No. 244
 - ii. "Minister" shall mean the Minister of Government Relations in the Province of Saskatchewan
 - iii. "Municipality" shall mean the Rural Municipality of Orkney No. 244
 - iv. "The Election Act" shall mean *The Local Government Election Act, 2015* plus amendments and regulations

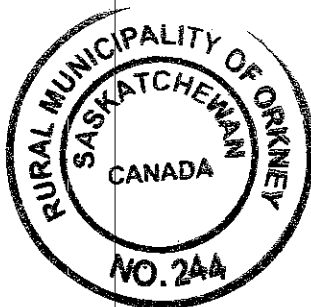
Section 2 – Election Procedures

3. Election Dates
 - a. General Election dates are set in Section 10 of *The Elections Act*.
 - b. In the event a by-election is required, Council shall pass a resolution as per Sections 11 to 15 of *The Elections Act*.
4. Advertising
 - a. Call for Nomination
 - i. Shall be Form H;
 - ii. Shall be posted in the Municipal Office, in the Market Place and on the municipal website.
 - b. Nomination Papers shall be posted at the Municipal Office and on the municipal website.
 - c. Abandonment of Poll
 - i. Shall be posted in the Municipal Office, in The Marketplace and on the municipal website
 - d. Notice of Vote
 - i. Shall be posted in the Municipal Office, The Marketplace and the municipal website
 - e. Notice of Advance Poll
 - i. Shall be posted in the Municipal Office, The Marketplace and on the municipal website
5. Polling Places
 - a. The Polling Places for all elections within the Municipality shall be set by the Returning Officer.
6. Nomination Day
 - a. Shall be as defined in Section 73 (1) of the Election Act
7. Tie Votes
 - a. Tie Votes shall be completed as per Section 141 of the Election Act
8. Ballots and Ballot Boxes
 - a. The Ballots:

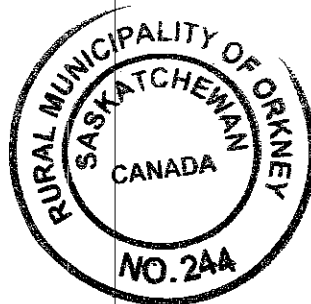


- i. Shall be in the prescribed Form N, as in Section 91 of the *Election Act*.
 - ii. In the event of multiple positions being elected on the same day, each position's ballot shall be in a different color.
 - iii. Names on the Ballots shall be "**LAST NAME, FIRST NAME**" in alphabetical order by last name.
 - iv. The Municipality will not use the voting machines, recording voters, optical scanning vote tabulators or other similar devices as allowed in Section 90.
 - b. Ballot Boxes
 - i. The same ballot box may be used for both the Advanced Poll and Regular Poll.
 - ii. The same ballot box may be used for multiple polls in the event of multiple positions being elected on the same day.
 - c. Mail in ballots will not be used.
- 9. Election Official
 - a. Indemnities
 - i. All Election Officials shall be paid \$300.00 plus \$150.00 for attending the election training session.
 - ii. If municipal employees work the election then they are paid at their regular wage with extra hours taken off as time earned in lieu.
 - iii. Mileage will be paid to the Returning Officer for necessary travel and to the Deputy Returning Officer(s) to bring the election materials into the Municipal Office after the close of the election as well as all election workers to travel to and from polling stations and for training days. All mileage will be paid at the current Councilor rate.
- 10. The Municipality shall not have a voter's list, nor is there any list available for distribution other than a municipal map.
- 11. Candidates
 - a. There will be no requirements for candidates to disclose contributions or expenses for a Municipal Election at this time.
- 12. This Bylaw shall come into force upon its third reading.

Administrator



Certified a True Copy of Bylaw 13/2026
Adopted by Resolution of Council this
18 day of June, 2026.



Administrator