

IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS

Document identifying electors

3. (1) The classes of documents that may be accepted as evidence for the purposes of sections 57 or 57.1 of the *Local Government Act*, or for the purposes of sections 30 or 30.1 of the *Vancouver Charter* are:
- (a) a British Columbia Driver's Licence;
 - (b) a BC Identification Card within the meaning of the Identification Card Regulation;
 - (b.1) a photo BC services card within the meaning of the Identification Card Regulation;
 - (b.2) a non-photo Bc services card within the meaning of the Identification Card Regulation;
 - (c) an Owner's Certificate of Insurance and Vehicle Licence issued by the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia;
 - (d) a British Columbia CareCard or British Columbia Gold CareCard;
 - (e) a Ministry of Social Development and Economic Security Request for Continued Assistance Form SDES8 (see NOTE below);
 - (f) a Social Insurance Number card or confirmation of Social Insurance Number letter issued by government of Canada;
 - (g) a Citizenship Card issued by Citizenship and Immigration Canada;
 - (h) a real property tax notice issued under section 369 of the *Local Government Act* or section 21 of the *Taxation (Rural Area) Act* (see NOTE below);
 - (i) a credit card or debit card issued by a savings institution as defined in section 29 of the *Interpretation Act*; or
 - (j) a utility bill issued for the supply of electricity, natural gas, water, telephone services or coaxial cable services by:
 - (i) a public utility as defined in section 1 of the *Utilities Commission Act*,
 - (ii) a gas utility as defined in section 1 of the *Gas Utility Act*,
 - (iii) a water utility as defined in section 1 of the *Water Act*,
 - (iv) the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, or
 - (v) a corporation licenced by the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission for the purposes of the supply.

The above listed identification documents **MUST** be accepted by election officials. Sections 72(3) and 73(3) of the *Local Government Act* provide that other documents **MAY** be accepted at the discretion of the election official.

NOTE:

- Subsection (e) – The function of Form SDES8 is now dealt with using “Monthly Form EA181;
- Subsection (h) – Authority to issue property tax notices was moved to Section 237 of the *Community Charter*;

Under the *Interpretation Act*, these changes are legally effective without changing the text of the *Regulation*.

How to register as a resident elector at the time of voting

- 72** (1) A person may register as a resident elector immediately before voting by
- (a) either
 - (i) delivering an application form in accordance with section 70 [*application for registration*] to the election official responsible at the place where the person is voting, or
 - (ii) providing to that official the information required under that section in the manner established by the chief election officer, and
 - (b) satisfying that official of the applicant's identity and place of residence in accordance with subsection (2).
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(b), an individual may either
- (a) produce to the election official at least 2 documents that provide evidence of the applicant's identity and place of residence, at least one of which must contain the applicant's signature, or
 - (b) produce to the election official at least 2 documents that provide evidence of the applicant's identity, at least one of which must contain the applicant's signature, and make a solemn declaration as to the applicant's place of residence within the meaning of section 67 [*rules for determining residence*].
- (3) Documents accepted under subsection (2) must either be documents prescribed as acceptable under section 168 [*election regulations*] or provide evidence satisfactory to the election official respecting the matter.
- (4) The election official registering an elector under this section must note on the application the nature of the documents produced for the purposes of subsection (1)(b).
- (5) The election official responsible for receiving application forms under subsection (1) is the presiding election official or another election official designated by the presiding election official.

How to register as a non-resident property elector at the time of voting

- 73** (1) A person may register as a non-resident property elector immediately before voting by
- (a) either
 - (i) delivering an application form in accordance with section 70 [*application for registration*] to the election official responsible at the place where the person is voting, or
 - (ii) providing to that official the information required under that section in the manner established by the chief election officer,
 - (b) satisfying that official of the applicant's identity in accordance with subsection, and
 - (c) providing to that official the materials described in section 70(4).
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(b), an individual must produce to the election official at least 2 documents that provide evidence of the applicant's identity, at least one of which must contain the applicant's signature.
- (3) Section 72(3) to (5) (*requirements in relation to registration of resident electors*) applies for the purposes of this section.