

## Appendix A.

### Proposed Amendments from the December 16, 2025 Elections Regulations Review Meeting.

Current section of the 2025 Election Regulations:	Proposed Amendments:
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Amendment 1:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">**Please see the end of this document for proposed amendments to Appendix A.**</p>	
<p><b>9) ELIGIBILITY OF CANDIDATES</b></p> <p>a) Any candidate for the office of Chief and Councillor must:</p> <p>iv) ordinarily reside within the Ktunaxa Traditional Territory;</p>	<p><b>9) ELIGIBILITY OF CANDIDATES</b></p> <p>a) Any candidate for the office of Chief and Councillor must:</p> <p>iv) <del>ordinarily reside within the Ktunaxa Traditional Territory;</del> <u>Reside north of the 49<sup>th</sup> parallel with Ktunaxa Traditional Territory</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Amendment 2:</b></p>	
<p><b>30) REVIEW AND AMENDMENT OF ELECTION REGULATIONS</b></p> <p>f) Within five (5) business days after the deadline for submission of proposed amendments to the Code, the proposed amendments will be sent to the contact address of all Eligible Voters, along with a notice of the date, time and place of the final meeting to discuss and approve proposed amendments to election regulations. All minutes of meetings held to review election regulations will be distributed with the draft amendments.</p>	<p><b>30) REVIEW AND AMENDMENT OF ELECTION REGULATIONS</b></p> <p>f) Within five (5) business days after the deadline for submission of proposed amendments to the Code, the proposed amendments <u>alone, verified to have been submitted by a member</u> will be sent to <del>the contact address of</del> all Eligible Voters, along with a notice of the date, time and place of the final meeting to discuss and approve proposed amendments to election regulations. All minutes of meetings held to review election regulations will be distributed with the draft amendments.</p>

<b>Amendment 3:</b>	
<b>30) REVIEW AND AMENDMENT OF ELECTION REGULATIONS</b>  c) Notice of an election regulation review and /or amendment meeting must be mailed to all Electors, posted in a public place at the ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation Administration office and posted to the community web site at least fourteen (14) days prior to the proposed meeting dates.	<b>30) REVIEW AND AMENDMENT OF ELECTION REGULATIONS</b>  c) Notice of an election regulation review and /or amendment meeting must be <del>mailed to all Electors</del> <u>communicated to all Electors by their preferred method</u> , posted in a public place at the ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation Administration office and posted to the community web site at least fourteen (14) days prior to the proposed meeting dates.
<b>Amendment 4:</b>	
<b>8) ELIGIBILITY OF ELECTORS</b>  a) In order to be entitled to vote in an Election, Members must have achieved the full age of eighteen (18) years on or before the date of the Election and be included on the Electors' List.	<b>8) ELIGIBILITY OF ELECTORS</b>  a) In order to be entitled to vote in an Election, Members must have achieved the full age of <del>eighteen (18)</del> <u>nineteen (19)</u> years on or before the date of the Election and be included on the Electors' List.
<b>Amendment 5:</b>	
<b>23) PROCEDURE FOR THE CLOSE OF POLLS</b>  I) Sections 13, 14 and 15 & 16 do not apply to the new Election.	<b>23) PROCEDURE FOR THE CLOSE OF POLLS</b>  <del>I) Sections 13, 14 and 15 &amp; 16 do not apply to the new Election.</del>

Amendment 6:	
<p><b>26) OATH OF OFFICE</b></p> <p>d) The Electoral Officer shall give five (5) days notice in writing to the candidate(s) elected whose office is about to be declared vacant under section 28.c</p>	<p><b>26) OATH OF OFFICE</b></p> <p>c) The Electoral Officer shall give five (5) days notice in writing to the candidate(s) elected whose office is about to be declared vacant under section <del>28.c</del> <u>26.c</u>.</p>
Amendment 7:	
<p><b>1) PREAMBLE</b></p> <p>c) The People of the ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation, through these regulations, have defined the process through which to select their government, the ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation Council, and have approved these regulations for implementation effective upon the date so ratified.</p>	<p><b>1) PREAMBLE</b></p> <p>c) The People of the ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation, through these regulations, have defined the process through which to select their government, the ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation Council, and have approved these regulations for implementation effective upon the date so ratified.</p> <p><u>These Regulations are intended to support fair, inclusive, and accessible participation by all Members of the ʔakisq̓nuk First Nation in the selection of their leadership.</u></p>

<b>Amendment 8:</b>	
<p><b>Akisqnuq First Nation Custom Election Code - Appendix A</b>  <b>ᐱakisqnuq First Nation</b>  <b>Roles and Responsibilities of Band Council</b>  <b>Terms of Reference</b></p> <p><i>6.0 Conduct</i></p> <p>Each Councillor shall be held to the standard of conduct expected of an elected official and, more specifically, as set out in the AFN Governance Policy and AFN Election Regulation.</p>	<p><b>Akisqnuq First Nation Custom Election Code - Appendix A</b>  <b>ᐱakisqnuq First Nation</b>  <b>Roles and Responsibilities of Band Council</b>  <b>Terms of Reference</b></p> <p><i>6.0 Conduct</i></p> <p>Each Councillor shall be held to the standard of conduct expected of an elected official and, more specifically, as set out in the AFN Governance Policy and AFN Election Regulation. <u>Which shall be enforced by an established, independent Elders Oversight Group, following procedures established by this oversight group.</u></p>
<b>Amendment 9:</b>	
<p><b>26) OATH OF OFFICE</b></p> <p>a) All candidates who have been elected to office shall sign an oath of office before the ᐱakisqnuq Members, swearing to:</p>	<p><b>26) OATH OF OFFICE</b></p> <p>a) All candidates who have been elected to office shall <u>complete governance and confidentiality training within 6 months of being elected</u> sign an oath of office before the ᐱakisqnuq Members, swearing to:</p>
<b>Amendment 10:</b>	
<p><b>9) ELIGIBILITY OF CANDIDATES</b></p> <p>a) Any candidate for the office of Chief and Councillor must:</p> <p>iv. ordinarily reside within the Ktunaxa Traditional Territory;</p>	<p><b>9) ELIGIBILITY OF CANDIDATES</b></p> <p>a) Any candidate for the office of Chief and Councillor must:</p> <p>iv. ordinarily reside within <del>the Ktunaxa Traditional Territory;</del> <u>within British Columbia</u></p>

Amendment 11:	
<p><b>12) CONTACT ADDRESSES</b></p> <p>a) e) Unless otherwise specifically stated within these Regulations, a document shall be considered properly provided if it was mailed, emailed or hand-delivered to the contact address of the Elector.</p>	<p><b>12) CONTACT ADDRESSES</b></p> <p>a) e) <del>Unless otherwise specifically stated within these Regulations, a document shall be considered properly provided if it was mailed, emailed or hand-delivered to the contact address of the Elector.</del></p> <p><u>The Membership Clerk is responsible for tracking and confirming receipt of notices, mail-in ballots or other Election related documents that are sent to every Eligible Voting Member. The Membership Clerk will confirm members have received such documents and Electoral Officer will sign off on Membership Clerk's tracking document.</u></p>
Amendment 12:	
<p><b>19) ALL CANDIDATES FORUM</b></p> <p>b) Notice of the All Candidates Forum will be posted at the Band Administration Office and on the ?akisq̓nuk web site, at least 7 days prior to the forum.</p>	<p><b>19) ALL CANDIDATES FORUM</b></p> <p>b) Notice of the All Candidates Forum will be posted at the Band Administration Office and on the ?akisq̓nuk web site, at least <del>7 days</del> <u>14 days</u> prior to the forum.</p>

<b>Amendment 13:</b>	
<p><b>19) ALL CANDIDATES FORUM</b></p> <p>a) All persons who have accepted nomination and are deemed eligible for Council must participate in an All Candidates Forum, at a time and place to be determined by the Electoral Officer. Candidates may elect to participate virtually.</p> <p>b) Notice of the All Candidates Forum will be posted at the Band Administration Office and on the ?akisq̃nuk web site, at least 7 days prior to the forum.</p> <p>c) Candidates who do not participate in the Forum will give up their candidacy, unless they can justify their absence. Just cause will include validated illness or injury to the candidate or within their immediate family.</p>	<p><b>19) ALL CANDIDATES FORUM</b></p> <p>a) All persons who have accepted nomination and are deemed eligible for Council must participate in an All Candidates Forum, at a time and place to be determined by the Electoral Officer. Candidates may elect to participate virtually.</p> <p>b) Notice of the All Candidates Forum will be posted at the Band Administration Office and on the ?akisq̃nuk web site, at least 7 days prior to the forum.</p> <p>c) Candidates who do not participate in the Forum will give up their candidacy, unless they can justify their absence. Just cause will include validated illness or injury to the candidate or within their immediate family.</p> <p><u><a href="#">d) Rules/regulations/time limits for Candidates to speak/how questions will be answered (email/chat/hand up) for the All-Candidates Forum, are to be posted 14 days prior to Forum.</a></u></p>
<b>Amendment 14:</b>	
<p><b>3) DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS</b></p> <p>a) In these regulations:</p> <p><b>xxvii) PROOF OF IDENTITY</b> – means a document which legally verifies the identity of an Elector, which may</p>	<p><b>3) DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS</b></p> <p>b) In these regulations:</p> <p><b>xxviii) PROOF OF IDENTITY</b> – means a document which legally verifies the identity of an Elector, which may</p>

include a Certificate of Indian Status card, British Columbia Identification Card, Drivers License, BC Care Card, Passport, Birth Certificate or Social Insurance Card.	include a Certificate of Indian Status card, British Columbia Identification Card, Drivers License, BC <del>Care</del> <u>Service</u> Card, Passport, Birth Certificate or Social Insurance Card.
<b>Amendment 15:</b>	
<b>20) VOTING AT POLLING STATION</b> f) Notwithstanding section 19 c). Eligible Voters may vote by telephone. The identity of telephone voters must be confirmed by two (2) other people in the presence of the Electoral Officer. These two (2) people shall not be a party to the vote of the Eligible Voter. To confirm their identity callers will be required to state their Indian Status Number and date of birth.	<b>20) VOTING AT POLLING STATION</b> f) Notwithstanding section <del>19</del> <u>20c</u> ). Eligible Voters may vote by telephone. The identity of telephone voters must be confirmed by two (2) other people in the presence of the Electoral Officer. These two (2) people shall not be a party to the vote of the Eligible Voter. To confirm their identity callers will be required to state their Indian Status Number and date of birth.
<b>Amendment 16:</b>	
<b>20) VOTING AT POLLING STATION</b> r) Notwithstanding section 19.q any Elector who requires assistance may request that the Electoral Officer mark the ballot for them for candidates of the Elector's choice, in their presence.	<b>20) VOTING AT POLLING STATION</b> r) Notwithstanding section <del>19</del> <u>20</u> .q any Elector who requires assistance may request that the Electoral Officer mark the ballot for them for candidates of the Elector's choice, in their presence.

<b>Amendment 17:</b>	
<p><b>21) ABSENTEE VOTING: VOTING BY MAIL-IN, ELECTRONICALLY OR TELEPHONE BALLOT</b></p> <p>d) Upon a receipt of an application under section 16.e to vote by mail-in ballot, the Electoral Officer shall mail a mail-in ballot described in section 16.g to the Elector whose name appears on the application.</p>	<p><b>21) ABSENTEE VOTING: VOTING BY MAIL-IN, ELECTRONICALLY OR TELEPHONE BALLOT</b></p> <p>a) Upon a receipt of an application under section <del>16</del> <u>21</u>.e to vote by mail-in ballot, the Electoral Officer shall mail a mail-in ballot described in section <del>16</del> <u>21</u>.g to the Elector whose name appears on the application.</p>
<b>Amendment 18:</b>	
<p><b>22) ADVANCED POLL</b></p> <p>f) Electors at the Advanced Poll will cast their vote in accordance with the same procedure described in section 19.</p>	<p><b>22) ADVANCED POLL</b></p> <p>f) Electors at the Advanced Poll will cast their vote in accordance with the same procedure described in section <del>19</del> <u>20</u>.</p>
<b>Amendment 19:</b>	
<p><b>28) VACANCIES</b></p> <p>a) The office of a Council member shall become vacant immediately when the person who holds that office:</p> <p>vi) no longer meets the criteria of candidacy as per section 13;</p>	<p><b>28) VACANCIES</b></p> <p>a) The office of a Council member shall become vacant immediately when the person who holds that office:</p> <p>vi) no longer meets the criteria of candidacy as per section <del>13</del> <u>9</u>;</p>



**Amendment 20:**

**29) PROCEDURE ON ELECTION APPEALS, PETITIONS FOR REMOVAL FROM OFFICE AND APPEALS FROM VACANCY**

h) In the case of an appeal by an Elector under section 28 the notice of appeal and supporting documentation shall be delivered to the Council member whose election is being appealed at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date of the hearing.

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