

#### Election 2025 - Judicial Recount Information

In the Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007, the process for a Judicial Recount is detailed as follows:

# Under OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS Declaration of elected candidate

## **Delay for recount**

78 (3) If a judicial recount is required, the Chief Electoral Officer shall delay declaring the results for the office that is subject to the recount, until the Chief Electoral Officer has received the certified results of the recount from the judge.

## JUDICIAL RECOUNT

## **Application for recount**

79. (1) If the difference between the number of votes in favour of the candidate who received the most votes and any other candidate for the same office is nil or less than 2% of the total number of votes cast for the office, the Chief Electoral Officer shall, without delay, apply to the court for a recount.

#### **Notice**

(2) The Chief Electoral Officer shall give written notice of the recount to the affected candidates.

In the 2025 General Election, there were a total of 5146 voters. 2% of this number is 103 votes. Therefore, the offices of Vice-President, with a difference of eighty-two votes between the top two Candidates, and of Treasurer, with a difference of forty-three votes, both meet the criteria for a Judicial Recount.

In addition, Eastern Region 2 had a total of 191 voters, with four votes representing the 2% difference. With a two vote difference between the two Candidates, this office will also have a recount.

The Chief Electoral Officer has initiated the recount process using independent legal council and has provided the required documents. Notice will be sent to the affected Candidates through her lawyer. Application will be made to the court, which requires 14 days notice for an originating application. The earliest date this would be heard is Tuesday, June 17. The Judge will decide on the process for the recount and set a date. Candidates will be informed of decisions made by the judge as information becomes available.

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