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## **MÉTIS VOTERS TO GO TO THE POLLS May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**A general election for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan is going to be held on May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The Declaration of Election sending Métis voters across the Province to the polls to elect members to the Provincial Métis Council will be issued on Saturday by the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), Gwen LaFond.**

The Declaration sets Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as Election Day with candidate nominations opening on Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup> and closing at 2:00pm Thursday April 29<sup>th</sup>. LaFond stated “This is an important and exciting election for Métis Citizens across the Province and there will be plenty of opportunities to vote, in a safe, controlled environment. The eligibility has changed this election and only those who have their Registered Saskatchewan Metis Citizenship Card or letter issued from the Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Registrar will be eligible to vote. Those citizens will bring their card or letter, along with their valid SK Health Card and acceptable ID when they vote.”

There are 12 regional returning offices established throughout Saskatchewan where eligible voters will be able to vote from May 14<sup>th</sup> to May 21<sup>st</sup>. Voters will also be able to vote in their region at the advance poll on May 22<sup>nd</sup> or on Election Day – May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

The 2021 election is being conducted under the authority of the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act, 2007*.

More information on the 2021 election is available at [www.mnselection.ca](http://www.mnselection.ca)

Gwen LaFond  
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Declaration Attached





## Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act 2007

### Declaration of Election

WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan is committed to an open, transparent and democratic process for the election of its Executive Members and Regional Representatives on the Provincial Métis Council;

WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, at its Legislative Assembly held on February 20, 2021, approved the date of **May 29, 2021** as election day for the election of the Executive and Regional Representatives of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Provincial Metis Council;

WHEREAS the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, at its Legislative Assembly held on February 20, 2021, approved and appointed me as the Chief Electoral Officer for the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan for the general election in 2021;

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby declare, pursuant to the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act, 2007* and every enabling power, that:

1. A general election shall be held in Saskatchewan for Members of the Provincial Métis Council;
2. The election day shall be the **29th day of May 2021**;
3. The day of the advance vote is the **22nd of May 2021**;
4. Nominations open at **9:00 a.m.** on the **24th of April** and close at **2:00 p.m.** on the **29th April 2021**
5. The election shall be conducted fairly and impartially in accordance the *Saskatchewan Métis Elections Act, 2007*.

Declared in the City of Saskatoon in the Province of Saskatchewan, this 24th day of April 2021.

Gwen LaFond  
Chief Electoral Officer



Information on the 2021 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan General Election is available at: [www.mnselection.ca](http://www.mnselection.ca)