

# Elections Yukon Glossary of Terms

<b>Assistant Returning Officer: (ARO)</b>	an election officer assigned the responsibility of managing electoral events within an electoral district under the direction of the Returning Officer; an ARO is authorized to perform duties as assigned by the RO.
<b>Additional Assistant Returning Officer: (AARO)</b>	an election officer with limited authority assigned by an RO to manage a satellite office in a local community.
<b>Ballot Paper/Ballot:</b>	a ballot paper is unmarked and becomes a ballot when placed into the ballot box.
<b>Candidate:</b>	a qualified elector who has been nominated to represent the electoral district if elected as a member of the Legislative Assembly.
<b>Counterfoil:</b>	a numbered part of the ballot paper which is removed by the Deputy Returning Officer before the ballot is placed in the ballot box by the elector.
<b>Correctional Centre:</b>	a correctional facility (including a young offenders centre); not considered a place of permanent residence.
<b>Care Centre:</b>	a residential facility that provides accommodation and care for persons who require assistance with the activities of daily living (i.e., seniors’ lodge or other supportive living facilities for dependent adults); a place of permanent residence that may be served by an institution poll on polling day.
<b>Election Officer:</b>	an eligible person, appointed in accordance with the <i>Elections Act</i> , to fulfill a specific role related to the election; this includes the Chief Electoral Officer, and Assistant Chief Electoral Officer, Returning Officers, Assistant & Additional Returning Officers, Revising Officers, and election officers working at the polls.
<b>Elector:</b>	a person who, on polling day, is a Canadian citizen who is at least 18 years of age and a resident of Yukon for the previous 12 months
<b>Electoral District: (ED)</b>	an area designated by the <i>Electoral District Boundaries Act</i> , for which one MLA (and one Returning Officer) is appointed; Yukon currently has 19 electoral districts.
<b>Institution Poll at a Care Centre:</b>	a polling station established in a care centre with 10 or more residents.
<b>Inter-District Ballot:</b>	a ballot paper issued to an elector from an electoral district other than their own.
<b>List of Electors (List):</b>	a list of eligible electors for a designated area (polling division or electoral district)

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Preliminary List:	an initial list of electors used for special ballot voting and to send out Voter Identifications Cards. This List is distributed to confirmed candidates.
Revised List:	produced when revisions are added to the Preliminary List. This List is used at an Advance poll.
Official List:	this List is produced after the Advance Poll and after Special Ballot voting has closed. The names of those who voted at either the Advance Poll or by Special Ballot are struck off. This List is used on polling day
Mobile Special Ballots:	A visit to an institution such as a hospital, university, care centre, or shelter, conducted by an election officer at a prearranged time, to facilitate Special Ballot voting for electors at these institutions.
Official Agent:	a person appointed by a candidate, and named on the Nomination Paper, to handle campaign finances and to act on the candidate’s behalf (to appoint scrutineers and receive documents).
Polling Day:	The day most people go to vote. Also known as Election Day.
Polling Division:	a geographic area within an electoral district, which is established for effective election administration.
Polling Place:	the location designated for voting; there may be several polling stations in one polling place.
Polling Station:	the workstation that is established to conduct voting for electors in one polling division.
Poll Supervisor:	officer in charge at a Polling Place.
Polls:	all polling stations established for a particular type of voting
Advance Polls:	refers to all polling stations set up at polling places for the two days of advance voting. The term is applied in the same manner to <i>institution polls</i> and <i>special ballot polls</i>
Ordinary or Election Day Polls:	refer to all polling stations set up at polling places for voting on polling day

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Rejected Ballots:	a ballot from the ballot box that was not marked correctly and rejected by the DRO. This ballot is not included in the tally.
Register of Electors: (Register)	the database containing prescribed information for registered electors in Yukon.
Registration Station: (Registration Desk)	the workstation established in a polling place to register electors, each station is staffed by a Revising Agent.
Residence:	a person’s true, fixed, permanent home or habitation to which, whenever absent, the person has the intention of returning; a person may have only one residence at a time.
Returning Officer:	an election officer appointed by the CEO. They are responsible for the management of the electoral event within their electoral district.
Revising Officer:	an election officer appointed by the Returning Officer, responsible for the administration of Registration/Special Ballot outreach and in the returning office.
Scrutineer:	a candidate’s representative appointed to observe election activities; <i>previously called an agent</i> .
Special Ballot Paper:	Candidate names may not yet be known until Day 21 of the Electoral Calendar, Special Ballots are by necessity a write-in ballot, i.e., a ballot paper with a blank space. Electors can write in the name of a candidate if known, or the name of a registered political party.
Spoiled Ballot Paper:	a ballot paper that is returned to the Deputy Returning Officer and <b>NOT</b> placed in the ballot box.
Statement of the Poll:	a form used by the Deputy Returning Officer at the conclusion of the count of ballots to record the number of votes received by each candidate at their polling station, along with the number of rejected ballots, spoiled ballots, and unused ballots.
Targeted Revision:	Enumeration directed at specific areas of new development or high mobility.
Temporary Resident:	Students and workers living in a place other than their ordinary residence at the time of the issue of the Writ. They may choose to vote in either electoral district.
Voter Information Card:	during the election period and prior to polling days, Elections Yukon mails personalized Voter Information Cards to all registered electors. The card tells them that they are registered to vote, when and where to vote, the different ways they can vote, and how to get more information.