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# Municipal Act Procedures Manual

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## 3.1 General Municipal Elections

### (1) Legal Requirements

*The Municipal Act* and *The Municipal Councils and School Boards Elections Act* provide direction respecting municipal elections:

- *The Municipal Act* sets out the framework for the election of municipal officials including campaign finance rules. It establishes requirements for the qualifications for candidates, the criteria for division into wards, nomination and term of office. The Act also provides direction for employees of municipalities wishing to seek election to a municipal council, and the rules of disqualification.
- *The Municipal Councils and School Boards Elections Act* provides step-by-step direction for the general election process. To avoid any challenges to an election, it is very important that the election be conducted according to the rules and regulations of the Act.

### (2) Election Dates

For general municipal elections, manuals entitled “Election Official’s Manual” and the “Chief Administrative Officer’s Campaign Financing Manual” are provided for use by election staff and CAOs. For detailed information regarding the administration of local elections or by-elections, please consult the manuals.

The next General Municipal Election is Wednesday, October 26, 2022.

### (3) Resort Municipality Elections

The next General Municipal Election in the three resort municipalities of the Village of Dunnottar, the Rural Municipality of Victoria Beach and the Town of Winnipeg Beach is Friday, July 22, 2022, and therefore follows a different timetable.