



Province of
Saskatchewan

FORM L

The Referendum and Plebiscite Act

**Directions for the
Guidance of Voters**

You may vote once only.

Declaration — If you are a patient in a sanatorium or hospital, a remand prisoner in a remand centre or a person applying to vote at an advance poll, you may vote only if you make a declaration at the polling place. In other polling places, if your name does not appear on the voters' list you may vote only if you make a declaration. If your name appears on the voters' list, you may be required to make the declaration and, if so required, you will be allowed to vote only after you make the declaration.

Voting procedure in polls other than those in sanatoria, hospitals or remand centres.

You shall:

- (a) immediately proceed into the polling booth;
- (b) with:
 - (i) the black lead pencil provided;
 - (ii) a black or blue ink pen; or
 - (iii) a black or blue ball-point pen;

mark the ballot paper by placing a cross, thus X, in the place provided to indicate that you oppose or support the referendum or plebiscite question;

- (c) fold the ballot paper across twice right to left without overlapping the counterfoil by:

- (i) folding inward, from right to left, one-third of the ballot paper; and
- (ii) folding the folded edge, from right to left, to the edge of the counterfoil;

so that the referendum or plebiscite question and the mark on the face of the paper are concealed, but the initials of the Deputy Returning Officer are exposed;

- (d) leave the polling booth;
- (e) deliver the folded ballot paper to the Deputy Returning Officer without delay and without showing the front to anyone or displaying the ballot paper so as to make known to any person the option on the referendum or plebiscite question for which you have or have not voted;

- (f) watch the Deputy Returning Officer deposit the ballot paper in the ballot box;
- (g) immediately leave the polling place.

On receiving a ballot paper from you, the Deputy Returning Officer shall, in the full view of you and all others present, without unfolding the ballot paper or in any way disclosing the referendum or plebiscite question or the mark made by you, ascertain by examining the initials and numbers appearing on the ballot paper, that it is the same ballot paper that the Deputy Returning Officer delivered to you. If it is the same ballot paper that the Deputy Returning Officer delivered to you, the Deputy Returning Officer shall remove and destroy the counterfoil and deposit the ballot paper in the ballot box.

If you inadvertently spoil a ballot paper so that you cannot conveniently use it, you may return it to the Deputy Returning Officer who will give you another.

If you vote for more options on the referendum or plebiscite question than you are entitled to vote for, or place any mark on the ballot paper by which you can be identified, your vote will be void and will not be counted.

If you fraudulently take a ballot paper out of the polling place or fraudulently deliver to the Deputy Returning Officer to be placed in the ballot box any paper other than the ballot paper given to you by the Deputy Returning Officer, you will be liable to imprisonment for one year.

SAMPLE BALLOT

WARNING

Section 193 of *The Election Act*

193(1) A person who unlawfully takes down, covers up, mutilates, defaces or alters a proclamation, notice or other document required to be posted under this Act, is guilty of an offence and, subject to subsection (2), liable to a fine or not less than \$25 or more than \$100 and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term of not less than one month or more than six months.

(2) Where the person contravening subsection (1) is a Returning Officer, Election Clerk, Enumerator, Deputy Returning Officer, Poll Clerk or other officer engaged under this Act, he is liable to a fine of not less than \$100 or more than \$500 and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term of not less than three months or more than a year.