



NOMINATION & CANDIDATES KIT

2020 MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA GENERAL ELECTION

This Nomination and Candidates Kit is provided for your convenience and reference. For a complete understanding of all election processes and requirements you are expected to have read and reviewed the Metis Nation Electoral Act if you intend to run for or nominate an eligible member for Office.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please visit the following websites or contact the Chief Electoral Officer directly.

<https://www.onefeather.ca/nations/mnbc>

<https://www.mnbc.ca/2020election>

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2020 GENERAL ELECTION TIMELINE

CRITICAL DATE	DAYS OUT	ACTIONS
Wednesday, July 22, 2020	50	NOTICE OF ELECTION, WITH ELECTION DATE, POSTED IN EACH COMMUNITY OFFICE
Saturday, August 1, 2020	45	MASTER ELECTOR LIST SENT TO CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER FROM CENTRAL REGISTRY
Tuesday, August 11, 2020	30	NOMINATIONS CLOSE. ELECTORS LIST SENT TO EACH CANDIDATE AND TO EACH COMMUNITY
Thursday, August 20, 2020	21	CANDIDATE LIST POSTED IN EACH COMMUNITY OFFICE
Thursday, August 20, 2020	21	NOTICE OF NO POLLING STATIONS (SECTION 16.3)
Friday, August 14, 2020	27	MAIL IN BALLOT MAILED TO ELECTORS (PROPOSED - NOT SPECIED IN CODE)
Thursday, August 27, 2020	14	CLOSURE OF APPEALS TO ADD NAME TO ELECTOR LIST
Tuesday, August 18, 2020	7	IF APPLICABLE - ACCLAMATION NOTICE (SECTION 9.1)
Tuesday, August 18, 2020	7	NOTICE OF POLL AND CANDIDATES LIST (SECTION 11.1)
Thursday, September 21, 2020	0	ELECTION DAY
Thursday, September 28, 2020	-7	CLOSURE OF WRITTEN REQUEST FOR RECOUNT FROM CANDIDATES
Thursday, October 5, 2020	-14	LATEST DATE RECOUNT CAN TAKE PLACE, CLOSURE OF WRITTEN ELECTION APPEALS TO THE SENATE
Wednesday, December 20, 2020	-90	DATE BALLOTS DESTROYED

MESSAGE FROM CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

Dear Candidate,

The information and contents of this Nomination and Candidates Kit is provided for your convenience. It is the candidate's sole responsibility to ensure that their nomination submission and their conduct during the election event are fully compliant with the rules and governing processes of the Electoral Act. Please take the time to review this document – questions can be directed to my office anytime. We would be pleased to receive your enquiry and answer any questions you may have.

Included in this package are all the forms and instructions necessary to complete a successful nomination. We have also included a timeline document with the critical voting event dates for the 2020 Election. Please review all these documents thoroughly.

Time is of the essence, and you are encouraged to start and complete the nomination process as early as possible. No extensions of any type will be considered – you must complete all the requirements for a successful nomination fully and completely and on time.

If you require any assistance whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact me. My coordinates are on all official election Notices and the cover of this document.

All the very best,



Lawrence Lewis, Chief Electoral Officer.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

These FAQ's are directed toward nominees/candidates...additional FAQ's are available online and will be updated as needed from time to time.

FAQ 1: Can I run in the 2020 General Election if I do not have my MNBC citizenship card?

Answer 1: As long as you are a registered voter (on the voters list) you are eligible to run and vote in this election. Having a physical MNBC citizenship card is not a requirement, however, you will need to know your MNBC citizenship number in order to run for office, nominate someone and vote successfully.

FAQ 2: Do I have to submit a written declaration and Criminal Record Check if I want to be a candidate?

Answer 2: Yes. Articles 23.7 and 45 of the MNBC Constitution state that individuals are disqualified as MNBC Citizens if they have been convicted of a criminal offense carrying a penalty of two (2) years or more. All candidates must provide a written declaration and Criminal Record Check to the Chief Electoral Officer along with their filed nomination papers per Articles 23.7 and 45 of the MNBC Constitution. NOTE: Results and content of Criminal Record Checks will not be made public.

FAQ 3: If I hold an elected position in my Métis Chartered Community do I have to resign in order to run in the 2020 General Election?

Answer 3: No. The MNBC Electoral Act (Article 8.3 g) only refers to a paid employment or contractor position of the MPCBC/MNBC having to resign. Neither the MNBC Electoral Act nor the Constitution require elected officials or representatives to step down from their position during an election while running for office.

FAQ 4: May I run for an MNBC office if I have served as a director at another Métis association/organization in the one year prior to the date of the 2020 General Election (unaffiliated with the Métis Nation British Columbia and its Métis Chartered Community)?

Answer 4: No. Nominated candidates cannot accept a nomination for an elected position if they are serving or have served as a director or officer of another provincial Métis body or association other than a Métis Chartered Communities during the one year period prior to the date of the 2020 General Election.

FAQ 5: If I hold an elected position in my Métis Chartered Community do I have to resign in order to run in the 2020 General Election?

Answer 5: No. Nominated candidates cannot accept a nomination for an elected position if they are serving or have served as a director or officer of another provincial Métis body or association other than a Métis Chartered Community during the one-year period prior to the date of the 2020 General Election.

FAQ 6: Who is responsible for coordinating candidacy papers and associated nomination signatures?

Answer 6: It is the sole responsibility of each person seeking nomination to coordinate, complete and submit their nomination package to the Chief Electoral Officer. For example, MNBC citizens who are signing nomination forms must send the nomination form directly to the candidate.

FAQ 7: Will MNBC or the Electoral Officer provide a voters list to Candidates?

Answer 7: Yes. The Chief Electoral Officer will provide the appropriate voters list and their contact information as per the MNBC Election rules and procedures. Candidates are expected to respect all citizen privacy rights along with provincial and federal laws regarding address, email, and telephone details and solicitation in general.

FAQ 8: The election date has been postponed – has the deadline to submit nomination papers changed?

Answer 8: The election date has been moved to Monday, September 21, 2020. All other deadline dates have not changed. The deadline for nominations is still Tuesday, August 11, 2020.

NOMINATION PACKAGE CHECK LIST

Provincial Offices	Minimum Number of Original Signatures	Regional Offices	Minimum Number of Original Signatures
President or Vice President	20	Regional Director	10
Chairperson of the Métis Women of BC	10	Regional Representative of the Métis Women of BC	5
Chairperson of the Métis Youth of BC		Regional Representative of the Métis Youth of BC	3
The Minimum Number of Original Signatures must be from Electors Who:	Reside in British Columbia;	The Minimum Number of Original Signatures must be from Electors Who:	Reside in the region in which the candidate seeks nomination;
	Are NOT signatories of another candidate's nomination papers for the same position; and		Are NOT signatories of another candidate's nomination papers for the same position; and
	Are eligible to vote in the 2020 MNBC Election.		Are eligible to vote in the 2020 MNBC Election.

Table 1: Minimum Number of Original Signatures Required for Nomination

Please ensure that you submit the following information to the Chief Electoral Officer as the candidacy nomination package¹ for the Métis Nation British Columbia 2020 General Election:

- ✓ Completed Nomination Form with original signatures.
- ✓ Completed Nomination Acceptance Declaration Form
- ✓ Completed Criminal Record Check Declaration Form.²
- ✓ Completed Affirmation Form attesting to certain facts regarding your MNBC Provincially Registered Métis citizen of British Columbia status.
- ✓ Copy of a written letter of resignation sent to the MNBC Chief Executive Officer (if applicable).

NOTE: Candidates can submit additional signatures beyond the minimum required if they so wish.

¹ All forms can also be downloaded from the following websites:

- <https://www.onefeather.ca/nations/mnbc>
- <https://www.mnbc.ca/2020election>

² Criminal Record Checks can be completed online here: <https://www.mybackcheck.com/Public/Login.aspx>

NOMINATION FORM – MNBC PRESIDENT

Provide a minimum of twenty (20) original signatures of eligible electors as defined in Article 8.4 of the MNBC Electoral Act. Nominators must print their name, MNBC Citizenship number and their Métis Chartered Community and sign the nomination form. The Chief Electoral Officer will verify all nominators.

We strongly recommend that you acquire more than the minimum number of original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy. Please submit your nomination as a complete package (all required documents and forms) – avoid sending in batches or sporadically.

We will confirm receipt of materials via email, however, it is your sole responsibility to ensure we receive all submissions and your complete nomination package.

Print or duplicate this form as necessary to collect all your required original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy.

Nominations Close: Tuesday, August 11, 2020, 8:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time

I hereby nominate: _____ for the position of MNBC President.

_____ (keep track of your nomination here)

Nominated by: <small>(please print)</small>	Citizenship No. <table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse;"><tr><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td></tr></table>										
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NOMINATION FORM – MNBC VICE PRESIDENT

Provide a minimum of twenty (20) original signatures of eligible electors as defined in Article 8.4 of the MNBC Electoral Act. Nominators must print their name, MNBC Citizenship number and their Métis Chartered Community and sign the nomination form. The Chief Electoral Officer will verify all nominators.

We strongly recommend that you acquire more than the minimum number of original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy. Please submit your nomination as a complete package (all required documents and forms) – avoid sending in batches or sporadically.

We will confirm receipt of materials via email, however, it is your sole responsibility to ensure we receive all submissions and your complete nomination package.

Print or duplicate this form as necessary to collect all your required original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy.

Nominations Close: Tuesday, August 11, 2020, 8:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time

I hereby nominate: _____ for the position of MNBC Vice President.

_____ (keep track of your nomination here)

Nominated by: <small>(please print)</small>	Citizenship No. <table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse;"><tr><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td></tr></table>										
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NOMINATION FORM – MNBC REGIONAL DIRECTOR

Provide a minimum of Ten (10) original signatures of eligible electors as defined in Article 8.5 of the MNBC Electoral Act. Nominators must print their name, MNBC Citizenship number and their Métis Chartered Community and sign the nomination form. The Chief Electoral Officer will verify all nominators.

We strongly recommend that you acquire more than the minimum number of original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy. Please submit your nomination as a complete package (all required documents and forms) – avoid sending in batches or sporadically.

We will confirm receipt of materials via email, however, it is your sole responsibility to ensure we receive all submissions and your complete nomination package.

Print or duplicate this form as necessary to collect all your required original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy.

Nominations Close: Tuesday, August 11, 2020, 8:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time

**I hereby nominate: _____ for the position of
MNBC Regional Director.**

_____ (keep track of your nomination here)

Nominated by: <small>(please print)</small>	Citizenship No. <table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse;"><tr><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td></tr></table>										
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NOMINATION FORM – CHAIRPERSON OF THE MÉTIS YOUTH OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Provide a minimum of Ten (10) original signatures of eligible electors as defined in Article 8.4 of the MNBC Electoral Act. Nominators must print their name, MNBC Citizenship number and their Métis Chartered Community and sign the nomination form. The Chief Electoral Officer will verify all nominators.

We strongly recommend that you acquire more than the minimum number of original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy. Please submit your nomination as a complete package (all required documents and forms) – avoid sending in batches or sporadically.

We will confirm receipt of materials via email, however, it is your sole responsibility to ensure we receive all submissions and your complete nomination package.

Print or duplicate this form as necessary to collect all your required original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy.

Nominations Close: Tuesday, August 11, 2020, 8:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time

**I hereby nominate: _____ for the position of
Chairperson of the Metis Youth of British Columbia.**

_____ (keep track of your nomination here)

Nominated by: <small>(please print)</small> Signature _____	Citizenship No. <table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> </tr> </table> Métis Chartered Community _____ Date month day 2020								

NOMINATION FORM – CHAIRPERSON OF THE MÉTIS WOMEN OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Provide a minimum of Ten (10) original signatures of eligible electors as defined in Article 8.4 of the MNBC Electoral Act. Nominators must print their name, MNBC Citizenship number and their Métis Chartered Community and sign the nomination form. The Chief Electoral Officer will verify all nominators.

We strongly recommend that you acquire more than the minimum number of original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy. Please submit your nomination as a complete package (all required documents and forms) – avoid sending in batches or sporadically.

We will confirm receipt of materials via email, however, it is your sole responsibility to ensure we receive all submissions and your complete nomination package.

Print or duplicate this form as necessary to collect all your required original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy.

Nominations Close: Tuesday, August 11, 2020, 8:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time

**I hereby nominate: _____ for the position of
MNBC Chairperson of the Metis Women of British
Columbia.**

_____ (keep track of your nomination here)

Nominated by: <small>(please print)</small> Signature _____	Citizenship No. <table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> </tr> </table> Métis Chartered Community _____ Date month day 2020								

NOMINATION FORM – REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MÉTIS YOUTH OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Provide a minimum of Three (3) original signatures of eligible electors as defined in Article 8.5 of the MNBC Electoral Act. Nominators must print their name, MNBC Citizenship number and their Métis Chartered Community and sign the nomination form. The Chief Electoral Officer will verify all nominators.

We strongly recommend that you acquire more than the minimum number of original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy. Please submit your nomination as a complete package (all required documents and forms) – avoid sending in batches or sporadically.

We will confirm receipt of materials via email, however, it is your sole responsibility to ensure we receive all submissions and your complete nomination package.

Print or duplicate this form as necessary to collect all your required original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy.

Nominations Close: Tuesday, August 11, 2020, 8:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time

**I hereby nominate: _____ for the position of
MNBC Regional Representative of the Metis Youth of British Columbia in the
Region of: _____** (please print
clearly)

_____ (keep track of your nomination here)

Nominated by: (please print)	Citizenship No.	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 20px;"><tr><td style="width: 12.5%;"></td><td style="width: 12.5%;"></td><td style="width: 12.5%;"></td><td style="width: 12.5%;"></td><td style="width: 12.5%;"></td><td style="width: 12.5%;"></td><td style="width: 12.5%;"></td><td style="width: 12.5%;"></td></tr></table>								
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NOMINATION FORM – REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MÉTIS WOMEN OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Provide a minimum of Five (5) original signatures of eligible electors as defined in Article 8.5 of the MNBC Electoral Act. Nominators must print their name, MNBC Citizenship number and their Métis Chartered Community and sign the nomination form. The Chief Electoral Officer will verify all nominators.

We strongly recommend that you acquire more than the minimum number of original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy. Please submit your nomination as a complete package (all required documents and forms) – avoid sending in batches or sporadically.

We will confirm receipt of materials via email, however, it is your sole responsibility to ensure we receive all submissions and your complete nomination package.

Print or duplicate this form as necessary to collect all your required original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy.

Nominations Close: Tuesday, August 11, 2020, 8:00 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time

I hereby nominate: _____ **for the position of**
MNBC Regional Representative of the Metis Women of British Columbia in the
Region of: _____ (please print
 clearly)

_____ (keep track of your nomination here)

Nominated by: (please print)	Citizenship No.	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; height: 20px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 12.5%;"></td> <td style="width: 12.5%;"></td> <td style="width: 12.5%;"></td> <td style="width: 12.5%;"></td> <td style="width: 12.5%;"></td> <td style="width: 12.5%;"></td> <td style="width: 12.5%;"></td> <td style="width: 12.5%;"></td> </tr> </table>								
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CANDIDATE ACCEPTANCE DECLARATION FORM

CANDIDATE DECLARATION

I accept this nomination and I will comply with Article 8 of the MNBC Electoral Act.

Candidate : (please print) _____ Signature _____	Citizenship No. <table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td> </tr> </table> Métis Chartered Community _____ Date month day 2020								
I accept my nomination as a candidate for the office of:									

CANDIDATE CONTACT INFORMATION (PRINT CLEARLY)

Full Legal Name:	
Email Address:	
Mobile:	
Alternate Phone:	
Current Residential Mailing address:	

CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK DECLARATION FORM

Please complete and submit this document to the MNBC Chief Electoral Officer as part of your candidacy nomination package.

I, _____ (please print full name) am a Provincially Registered Métis citizen of British Columbia seeking elected office in the 2020 General Election.

I, _____ (please print full name) have sought a criminal record check from my local police/RCMP detachment. In accordance with Articles 23.7 and 45 of the MNBC Constitution, I will be disqualified from being a member of the MNBC if I have been convicted of a criminal offense carrying a penalty of two (2) years or greater.

Furthermore, in order to seek elected office in the MNBC,

I, _____ (please print full name) must provide a Criminal Record Check to the Chief Electoral Officer along with my filed nomination papers for the purpose of satisfying Articles 23.7 and 45 of the MNBC Constitution.

I, _____ (please print full name) understand that the results and content of the Criminal Record Check will not be made public, unless I voluntarily consent in writing.

AND I MAKE THIS SOLEMN DECLARATION conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.

Candidate : (please print)	Citizenship No.	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"><tr><td style="width: 12.5%; height: 20px;"> </td><td style="width: 12.5%; height: 20px;"> </td><td style="width: 12.5%; height: 20px;"> </td><td style="width: 12.5%; height: 20px;"> </td><td style="width: 12.5%; height: 20px;"> </td><td style="width: 12.5%; height: 20px;"> </td><td style="width: 12.5%; height: 20px;"> </td><td style="width: 12.5%; height: 20px;"> </td></tr></table>								
Signature	Métis Chartered Community	Date	month	day	2020					

AFFIRMATION FORM

Please complete and submit this document to the MNBC Chief Electoral Officer as part of your candidacy nomination package.

I, _____ (please print full name) am a Provincially Registered Métis citizen of British Columbia seeking elected office in the 2020 General Election.

I, _____ (please print full name) am not registered under the Indian Act or the Inuit Registry.

In addition, I, _____ (please print full name) am not an officer or director of another provincial Metis body or association – other than a Metis Chartered Communities.

AND I MAKE THIS AFFIRMATION conscientiously believing it to be true.

Candidate : (please print)	Citizenship No. <table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse;"><tr><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td></tr></table>										
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