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MNBC 2026 BY-ELECTION

August 22, 2026

NOMINATION AND CANDIDATES KIT

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 Métis 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.

www.elections.mnbc.ca

www.onefeather.ca/nations/mnbc

OneFeather Election Services

Toll Free: 1-855-923-3006

Email: nominations@onefeather.ca

209-852 Fort Street, Victoria, British Columbia V8W 1H8



MÉTIS NATION
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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

Dear Candidate,

The information and contents of this Nomination and Candidates Kit is provided for your convenience. It is solely the candidate's 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 2026 By-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.

Nominations documents can be submitted:

- by email to nominations@onefeather.ca
- by mail to **209-852 Fort Street, Victoria, BC, V8W 1H8**

Documents need to be received by me no later than 8:00 pm PT on July 13, 2026.

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,



Chief Electoral Officer

2026 BY-ELECTION TIMELINE

Item	MNBC Electoral Act	Date
Notice of Election and Nomination Packages distributed to all electors	Section 8.1	Tuesday, June 23, 2026
Final list of registered voters sent to Chief Electoral Officer	Section 7.1, 7.6 and 7.7	Wednesday, July 8, 2026
NOMINATION PERIOD CLOSSES	Section 8.2	Monday, July 13, 2026
Copy of the provincial/Regional Elector Lists provided to Candidates	Section 7.3	Tuesday, July 14, 2026
List of Candidates posted	Section 11.1	Saturday, July 18, 2026
Deadline for Candidate withdrawal	Section 12.1	Saturday, August 1, 2026
MAIL-IN BALLOT PACKAGES SENT	N/A	Friday, August 7, 2026
Deadline for appeal to add name to Elector List	Section 7.7	Saturday, August 8, 2026
ELECTRONIC VOTING OPENS	Section 15.3	Saturday, August 8, 2026
ELECTION DAY	Section 4.0	Saturday, August 22, 2026
COUNT DAY	If necessary	Saturday, August 22, 2026

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

These FAQs are directed toward nominees/candidates. Additional FAQs are available online and will be updated as needed from time to time.

FAQ 1: Can I run in the 2026 By-Election if I do not have my MNBC Citizenship card?

Answer 1: As long as you are an MNBC Citizen over the age of 18, 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. You can still participate in this by-election if your MNBC Citizenship card is expired.

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

Answer 2: Yes. Article 23.8 of the MNBC *Constitution* state that individuals are disqualified from running for elected MNBC positions 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 Article 46 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 2026 By-Election?

Answer 3: No. 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. If you are on the Board of a Chartered Community and you are elected to the MNBC Board of Directors, you must resign from your Chartered Community Board before being sworn in to the MNBC Board of Directors (*Constitution*, Article 12.1).

FAQ 4: Can 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 2026 By-Election (unaffiliated with Métis Nation British Columbia and its Métis Chartered Communities)?

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 Community during the one-year period prior to the date of the 2026 By-Election. (MNBC *Electoral Act*, Article 8.7)

FAQ 5: If I am an employee of or contractor for MNBC, do I have to resign in order to run in the 2026 By-Election?

Answer 5: No, however Article 8.3i of the MNBC *Electoral Act* requires salaried employees to take a leave of absence from their position during the campaign. Article 8.3j requires that contractors must submit notice of termination of all current contracts at the close of nominations.

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. MNBC Citizens who are signing nomination forms must send the nomination form directly to the candidate, who will then submit it as part of their nomination package to the Chief Electoral Officer.

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

Answer 7: Yes. The Chief Electoral Officer will provide voters lists which contain names, addresses, and telephone numbers of eligible electors for each position, per the MNBC *Electoral Act* rules and procedures.

Candidates shall be required to execute an Oath to protect and respect Citizen privacy rights and conduct themselves with extreme care and consideration once access to the voters list is provided, along with understanding and following all provincial and federal laws regarding address, email, and telephone details and solicitation in general.

NOMINATION PACKAGE CHECK LIST

Provincial Offices	Minimum Number of Original Signatures	Regional Offices	Minimum Number of Original Signatures
President	20	Regional Director	10
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 candidates' nomination papers for the same position		Are NOT signatories of another candidates' nomination papers for the same position
	Are eligible to vote in the 2026 MNBC By-Election		Are eligible to vote in the 2026 MNBC By-Election

NOMINATION PACKAGE CHECK LIST (CONTINUED)

Please ensure that you submit the following information to the Chief Electoral Officer as the candidacy nomination package¹ for the Métis Nation British Columbia 2026 By-Election:

- ✓ Completed Nomination Form with original signatures.²
- ✓ Completed Nomination Acceptance Declaration Form.
- ✓ Completed Criminal Record Check (CRC) Declaration Form.
 - A “name based CRC” not requiring fingerprints is acceptable.³
- ✓ Completed Affirmation Form attesting to certain facts regarding your Provincially Registered Métis Nation British Columbia Citizen status.
- ✓ Copy of a written letter requesting a leave of absence sent to the MNBC Chief Executive Officer (if applicable).

¹ All forms can also be downloaded from the following websites: www.elections.mnbc.ca and www.onefeather.ca/nations/mnbc

² Candidates can submit additional signatures beyond the minimum required if they so wish.

³ For more information on types of CRCs, please visit: www.rcmp.ca/en/criminal-records/criminal-record-checks/types-certified-criminal-record-checks

To find out where to go to get your CRC, please visit www.rcmp.ca/en/criminal-records/criminal-record-checks/where-go

NOMINATION FORM

Provide the minimum number of original signatures of eligible electors as defined in Article 8.4 and 8.5 of the MNBC *Electoral Act* (see *previous section for chart of required signatures for each elected office*). 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.

The following page is for your use to collect all your required original signatures of eligible electors nominating your candidacy. **Please copy as necessary.**

Nominations Close: July 13, 2026, 8:00 pm PT

I hereby nominate: _____ **for the position of:**
_____. (please print clearly)

_____ (keep track of your nomination here)

Nominated by: (please print)	Citizenship No.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Métis Chartered Community:	_____							
Signature	_____		Date:	month	day	2026			

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	Métis Chartered Community:	_____							
Signature	_____		Date:	month	day	2026			

CANDIDATE ACCEPTANCE DECLARATION FORM

CANDIDATE DECLARATION

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

Candidate: <small>(please print clearly)</small>	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>								
Signature _____	Métis Chartered Community: _____	Date: month day 2026								
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 Citizen of Métis Nation British Columbia seeking elected office in the 2026 By-Election.

I, _____ (please print full name) have sought a criminal record check from my local police/RCMP detachment. In accordance with Article 23.8 and 46 of the MNBC *Constitution*, I will be disqualified from being a member of the MNBC Board of Directors if I have been convicted of a criminal offense carrying a penalty of two (2) years or greater, as shown by the Criminal Record Check submitted as part of this nomination package.

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

I, _____ (please print full name) shall provide a Criminal Record Check to the Chief Electoral Officer along with my filed nomination papers for the purpose of satisfying Article 23.8 and 46 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.

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Signature _____	Métis Chartered Community: _____	Date: month day 2026								

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 Nation British Columbia Citizen, seeking elected office in the 2026 By-Election.

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

I, _____ (please print full name) am not an officer or director of a provincial Métis body or association beyond MNBC, other than a Métis Chartered Community, and have not been at any time during the one-year period prior to the August 22, 2026, date of the By-Election.

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

Candidate: (please print)	Citizenship No.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Signature _____	Métis Chartered Community:	_____					
		Date:	month	day	2026		

CANDIDATES OATH OF COMMITMENT TO PRIVACY AND CONDUCT

I, _____ (please print full name) a candidate in the MNBC 2026 By-Election, solemnly swear to uphold the following commitments:

1. Respect for Privacy and Confidentiality:

- I will protect and respect the privacy rights of all MNBC Citizens, ensuring that all personal information provided to me, including but not limited to, addresses, emails, and telephone details, is handled with the utmost confidentiality, security and used solely for election-related purposes.
- I will comply with the provisions outlined in the MNBC *Electoral Act* regarding the use and protection of the Voters List (Article 7). After the completion of the 2026 By-Election, I will destroy any provided Voters List(s).

2. Adherence to Legal and Ethical Standards:

- I understand and will adhere to all provincial and federal laws related to data privacy, including the Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA). I acknowledge that any disclosure of the personal information provided to me is unauthorized and I cannot share, copy or reproduce the personal information.
- I will follow Canada's Anti-Spam Legislation (CASL), ensuring that all electronic communications are compliant, including obtaining explicit consent from recipients before sending emails or other electronic messages and providing clear opt-out mechanisms.

3. Responsible Campaign Conduct:

- I will conduct my campaign with integrity, fairness, and respect for all participants in the electoral process.
- I will not engage in malicious or objectionable practices, as per the *MNBC Electoral Act*, and will avoid any conduct that could be deemed as harassment or undue influence on voters (Article 8.8).

CANDIDATES OATH OF COMMITMENT TO PRIVACY AND CONDUCT (CONTINUED)

4. Transparency and Accountability:

- I will ensure transparency in my campaign activities, maintaining accurate records of communications and interactions with voters.
- I will be accountable for my actions and the actions of my campaign team, ensuring they also adhere to these commitments.

5. Commitment to Non-Partisan Use of Resources:

- I will not use MNBC offices, equipment, or any program delivery resources for campaign purposes, adhering strictly to the rules outlined in the MNBC *Electoral Act* (Article 8.9).

By signing this oath, I acknowledge my understanding of these commitments and my obligation to adhere to them throughout the election period.

I MAKE THIS OATH conscientiously and shall conduct myself accordingly.

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