

What is Proxy Voting

An eligible elector who is unable to attend the voting place to vote may appoint another person, similarly qualified as an elector, to vote on their behalf with the prescribed *Form 3 – Appointment of Voting Proxy*.

A person **cannot**:

- appoint more than one (1) voting proxy; or
- act as a voting proxy for more than one other person. This restriction does not apply if the appointed proxy and the other person are spouses or siblings of each other, parent and child, or grandparent and grandchild.

Appointing a Proxy Voter

The process for appointing a proxy voter is described in the following table.

Stage	Who	Description
1	Elector	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Obtains two (2) copies of <i>Form 3 – Appointment For Voting Proxy</i> from the Township, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing website or by clicking on the attached link (Form 3). Candidates may also have forms.• Appoints only one proxy voter.• Completes Boxes A, B and C on the two (2) original forms.• Gives the two (2) original signed forms to the appointed proxy voter.
2	Appointed elector (proxy)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presents the two originals of <i>Form 3 – Appointment of Voting Proxy</i> to the Clerks Department and provides acceptable identification.• Completes Box D in the presence of the Clerk/designate (a statutory declaration that he or she is the person appointed as a voting proxy).• Presents one (1) certified original at designated voting place on day of voting and takes the prescribed oath.

NOTE: The requirement to show identification prior to receiving a ballot also applies to a person voting as a proxy.

Where can a Proxy be Certified

A Proxy application can only be certified at the Township of Oro-Medonte Administration building by the Clerk or designate.

When Can a Proxy be Certified

Pursuant to Section 44 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, (MEA) a person shall not appoint a voting proxy for the election until the time for withdrawal of nomination has expired for all offices for which the election is conducted and the appointment must be on the prescribed form.

Pursuant to Section 35 of the MEA, the clerk shall examine each nomination that has been filed, in accordance with the following timetable:

1. All nominations filed on or before nomination day shall be examined before 4 p.m. on the Monday following nomination day.

Section 44(6) of the MEA provides that on the day of an advance vote the Clerk's Office will certify proxy applications between noon and 5:00 p.m.

The first possible date for Applications for Proxy Voting are available from the Clerk's Office is September 13, 2010 unless additional nominations are required in which case the first day is September 15, 2010 during regular business hours in the Clerk's Office, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The last day for making application for a Certificate to Vote by Proxy is Monday, October 25, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.