



VOTING INSTRUCTIONS Madawaska Maliseet First Nation

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PLACE LABEL HERE.

Name:

Band Number:

VIN:

Above is your **VOTER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN)** that you will need to vote online for the community ratification of the *Madawaska Maliseet First Nation Land Code* and Individual Agreement. Your **VIN** is yours and yours alone. It is not acceptable for you to give it to anyone else to vote for you by proxy.

How to Vote Online:

Internet Voting will be available 24 hours/day from 8:00 a.m. (AST) on Thursday September 28, 2017 and ending at 11:59 p.m. (AST) on Wednesday November 1, 2017.

PLEASE NOTE: Electronic Voting Methods will not be available during regular polls on the Official Voting Day.

- Step 1:** Enter the following link into your Internet Browser URL address bar:
<https://vtnw.com/go/MadawaskaReg/>
- Step 2:** Enter your Voter Identification Number (VIN), as shown above, and click "SUBMIT".
- Step 3:** Fill in your Registration information and click on "CLICK HERE TO CONTINUE TO THE NEXT PAGE TO REVIEW YOUR ENTRIES". Registration is mandatory to vote.
- Step 4:** Confirm that the information you provided is correct. Click on "I VERIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION ABOVE IS ACCURATE. CLICK TO SUBMIT".
- Step 5:** Re-enter VIN and confirm birthdate and click on "LOGIN".
- Step 6:** Click on "OPEN THE BALLOT".
- Step 7:** A ballot will be shown and you will be able to make your selection between "YES" or "NO".
- A "YES" vote means Madawaska Maliseet First Nation will manage its own reserve lands under the *Madawaska Maliseet First Nation Land Code*.
 - A "NO" vote means that Madawaska Maliseet First Nation lands will continue to be managed by the Department of Indigenous and Northern Affairs under the *Indian Act*.

Click on "PROCEED TO REVIEW PAGE" to review your selection.

Step 8: Click on “CAST BALLOT” to cast your vote.

Once your ballot is cast, a confirmation screen will appear that says, “Your Selection has been recorded.”

How to Vote by Telephone:

Telephone Voting will be available 24 hours/day from 8:00 a.m. (AST) on Thursday September 28, 2017 and ending at 11:59 p.m. (AST) on Wednesday November 1, 2017.

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Step 1: Using a touch-tone telephone, dial: (855) 335-8393.

Step 2: At the prompt, please enter your Voter Identification Number (VIN), followed by the pound (#) key.

Step 3: Verify VIN by pressing 1, to re-enter VIN press 2.

Step 4: At the prompt, please enter your birthdate as a 6-digit number, MMDDYY.

Step 5: Verify birthdate by pressing 1, to re-enter birthdate press 2.

Step 6: At the prompt, please make your selection on the ballot. To vote “YES”, please press 1. To vote “NO”, please press 2.

- A “YES” vote means Madawaska Maliseet First Nation will manage its own reserve lands under the *Madawaska Maliseet First Nation Land Code*.
- A “NO” vote means that Madawaska Maliseet First Nation lands will continue to be managed by the Department of Indigenous and Northern Affairs under the *Indian Act*.

Step 7: Verify your selection and cast your vote.

How to Vote by Mail-In Ballot:

To ratify the Madawaska Maliseet First Nation Land Code and the Individual Agreement by mail-in ballot, you will need your status card number and a witness. Your ballot must be received by mail or hand delivered to Patricia Wallace, Ratification Officer by Thursday, November 2, 2017 by 8:00 pm (AST).

Step 1. Mark the ballot by placing an “X” in the box to clearly indicate your response to the question stated on the ballot.

- A "YES" vote means that Madawaska Maliseet First Nation will manage its own reserve lands under the *Madawaska Maliseet First Nation Land Code*.
- A "NO" vote means that Madawaska Maliseet First Nation lands will continue to be managed by the Department of Indigenous and Northern Affairs under the *Indian Act*.

Step 2. Fold the ballot in a manner that conceals the question and any marks, and exposes the Ratification Officer’s initials on the back;

- Step 3.** Enclose and seal the ballot inside the envelope marked with the word “BALLOT”;
- Step 4.** Enclose the “BALLOT” envelope within the identification envelope;
- Step 5.** Complete and sign the voter registration form in the presence of a witness who is a least 18 years of age. Both you and the witness must sign the registration form;
- Step 6.** Enclose and seal the registration form within the identification envelope;
- Step 7.** Complete and sign the identification envelope;
- Step 8.** Enclose and seal the identification envelope in the return envelope; and
- Step 9.** Deliver the sealed return envelope to the Ratification Officer by mail, courier or hand delivery. The mail-in ballot package must be received by the Ratification Officer no later than 8:00 p.m. on the Official Vote Day. Note that ballots received after the close of the poll on Thursday, November 2nd, 2017 will not be counted.

How to Vote in Person:

To ratify the Madawaska Maliseet First Nation Land Code and the Individual Agreement in person at the polls, you will need any ID with your name and picture.

The Official Voting Day for the Ratification Vote will take place on:
Thursday, the 2nd day of November 2017 from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. (AST)
Madawaska Maliseet First Nation Rec. Hall, 1713 Main Street,
Madawaska Maliseet First Nation, NB E7C 1W9.

- Step 1:** You will need to register to vote; forms will be available at the polling stations.
- Step 2:** Your ballot will ask “**Do you approve: The Madawaska Maliseet First Nation Land Code and the Individual Agreement**”. Mark the ballot by placing an “X” in the box to clearly indicate your response to the question stated on the ballot.
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 - A “NO” vote means that Madawaska Maliseet First Nation lands will continue to be managed by the Department of Indigenous and Northern Affairs under the Indian Act.

If you require more information, please visit www.mmfndlandcode.com. If you require assistance, please contact the Ratification Officer; Patricia Wallace by phone at (506) 739-6130 or by e-mail at registry@nb.sympatico.ca.

Patricia Wallace
Ratification Officer