



Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation
Election Law
Forms

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FORM 1: APPOINTMENT OF ELECTORAL OFFICER, DEPUTY ELECTORAL OFFICER, & INTERPRETERS AND OATH OF OFFICE

I, _____(name)_____, of _____(address)_____,
appointed under the MCFN *Election Law*, for the MCFN election, to be held on the ____
day of (month), 20____, accept the position of __(*Electoral Officer / Interpreter / Deputy
Electoral Officer*)_____ and agree to:

- *comply with this Law, the Code of Conduct, and all the laws of MCFN;*
- *fulfill the duties and responsibilities of my office as set out in this Law and the Electoral Officer's Handbook;*
- *carry out my duties faithfully, honestly, impartially, and with integrity, and to the best of my abilities;*
- *keep confidential, both during and after my term of office, any matter or information which, under this Law, any community law, or policy, is considered confidential; and*
- *always act in the best interests of (the Eligible Voter and) the community in carrying out my duties. (for the interpreter).*

Any violation of this Oath or failure to discharge my duties competently, as set out in the Law or its associated rules and procedures, shall render me liable to dismissal from service by the Chief Administrative Officer.

Signature Date

Commissioner for Taking Oaths Date

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FORM 2: NOTICE CALLING FOR NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE ELECTION OF THE MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given to the Eligible Voters of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation that the election for Council is to be held on ____ day of ____ (month) ____, 20__.

Nominations for candidates for the election of Ogimaa (chief) or Gimaa (councillor) must be received before the end of the

nomination meeting, to be held on

____ (Date) at ____ (location) between the

hours: ____ and ____ (must be at least 3 hours).

Eligible Voters may vote by way of:

- (a) electronic ballot; or
- (b) in person at a polling station.

The location of the polling station shall be at: *(Insert Location)*.

Candidates may be nominated by an Eligible Voter of the MCFN who is:

- (a) at least 18 years of age at the time of the nomination meeting; and
- (b) is included on the voters list.

Any Eligible Voter may propose or second a nomination of any qualified person to serve as Ogimaa or Gimaa by:

- (a) delivering in person or emailing a written nomination (Form 3) and a completed, signed, and witnessed Declaration of Eligible Voter to Nominate – Email & Hand Delivered Nomination Form (Form 4) to the Electoral Officer before the start of the nomination meeting; or
- (b) orally, at the nomination meeting.

Eligible candidates will be confirmed by the Electoral Officer based on the criteria set out in the Election Law and Rules and Procedures.

If an Eligible Voter wishes to receive information from candidates, the Eligible Voter can visit the MCFN public website, where they may contact the candidate(s) they would like to receive more information from.

For questions or more information, contact: *(Name of Electoral Officer and Phone Number, Address, and Email to contact)*.

Dated at _____ on ____ day of _____, 20__.

(Signature of Electoral Officer)

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FORM 3: EMAIL & HAND DELIVERED NOMINATION FORM

(Please fill out a separate nomination form for each candidate nominating)

I, _____ (*please print name*), registry #
_____ of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, hereby nominate,
_____ (*please print name of nominee*) of the
Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation for the position of Ogimaa / Gimaa (*please circle one*).

Signature of Nominator Date

Phone # of Nominator

Note: *It is important that your phone number be included above in case the Electoral Officer needs to contact you for clarification regarding the name of the individual that you are nominating.*

FORM 4: DECLARATION OF ELIGIBLE VOTER TO NOMINATE – EMAIL & HAND DELIVERED NOMINATION

(Must accompany email and hand delivered nomination)

In the matter of the election being held on DAY, MONTH, YEAR, and held according to the MCFN Election Law:

I, _____ (*please print your name*), solemnly declare that,

(1) I am a Member of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and my band registry number is _____;

If you do not know your band registry number, please provide your birthdate: _____.

(2) I currently reside at: _____ (*address*).

(3) I am at least 18 years of age.

(4) I do not know of any reason why I would be disqualified from voting in this election.

I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it has the same force and effect as if made under oath or by affirmation. I understand that it is an offence to make a false statement in this Declaration.

Signature of Eligible Voter: _____ Date: _____

DECLARATION OF WITNESS

_____ I know the Eligible Voter and I witnessed the Eligible Voter's signature; **OR**

_____ I did assist the Eligible Voter in making the nomination according to the directions of the Eligible Voter.

I, _____ (*please print your name*), verify that the above statement was declared to me on the date below.

Signature of Witness: _____ Date: _____

Address of Witness: _____

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FORM 5: IN-PERSON NOMINATION FORM

(To be completed by the Electoral Officer at the Nomination Meeting)

Date of Nomination: _____

Required Information	EO/DEO Initial when Criteria Met
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Nominator</u></p> <p>I hereby nominate: _____ (please print clearly)</p> <p>For the position of: Ogimaa Gimaa (please circle one)</p> <p>Name of nominator: _____ (please print clearly)</p> <p>Registry # of nominator: _____</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Seconder</u></p> <p>I hereby second the nomination of the person named above for the position of: (please circle one)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Ogimaa Gimaa</p> <p>Name of seconder: _____ (please print clearly)</p> <p>Registry # of seconder: _____</p>	

***Note:** Electoral Officer to fill out a separate nomination form for each candidate nominated*

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FORM 6: NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION AND DECLARATION OF ELIGIBILITY

Nominee Information

You have been nominated as a candidate for the position of _____ (*Ogimaa / Gimaa*) _____ for the upcoming Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Council election, to be held on (*Day, Month, Year*).

If you choose to accept this nomination, you must submit to the Electoral Officer this notice of acceptance form within five (5) days of the nomination meeting, signed by yourself, either in the presence of the Electoral Officer, or the presence of the Chief Administrative Officer, justice of the peace, a notary public, or a commissioner for taking oaths.

If you fail to submit the notice of acceptance of nomination to the Electoral Officer within five (5) days of the nomination meeting, your name will be removed as a nominee and you will **not** be included on the ballot in the upcoming election.

If you choose to withdraw after submitting your notice of acceptance of nomination, you may do so at any time by completing, signing, witnessing, and filing a Notice of Withdrawal of Nomination for Election form with the Electoral Officer. You may request this Notice of Withdrawal form from the Electoral Officer or download it from the Members-only website.

Each candidate is allowed to have one (1) scrutineer at any one time inside the polling station to observe the proceedings on election day. You may appoint more than one (1) scrutineer, provided only one (1) is present at the polling station at any one time. You **must** complete the Scrutineers Letter of Authorization form in order to have a scrutineer at the polling station on election day. Without this form, your scrutineer will **not** be allowed in the polling station for the purposes of observing the proceedings on election day.

In the event of a tie vote, the Electoral Officer will perform a recount immediately following the vote, as per section 22.4 of the Naaknige (Election Law) and section 138 of the Rules and Procedures.

If you are a successful candidate, you are required to complete the Oath of Office prior to taking office as Ogimaa or Gimaa, and if you do not complete the Oath of Office in the prescribed timeframe, as outlined in section 25.1 of the Naaknige (Election Law) and section 146 of the Rules and Procedures, you will be found to have violated the Naaknige and Rules and Procedures, and will forfeit your position. Your position will then be declared vacant and the candidate with the next highest number of votes will fill your vacancy.

If you have any questions concerning the election process, please do not hesitate to contact the Electoral Officer at the address, email, or telephone number below:

(address, phone number, and email)

DATED at _____, this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Electoral Officer Name

Electoral Officer Signature

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I, _____ (name) _____, registry # _____, am a Member, as defined within the Law, residing within or outside of the Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, at _____ (address) _____ who:

- (a) is at least 18 years of age on the day on which the nomination meeting is held;
- (b) is a registered Member of the MCFN;
- (c) has been nominated to be a candidate to run for the position of Ogimaa or Gimaa by at least two Eligible Voters, pursuant to the provisions of the Law and the Rules and Procedures;
- (d) has served at least one (1) previous term as an elected Gimaa of the MCFN for the position of Ogimaa; and
- (e) prior to the date of the nomination meeting, has undergone a police record check, within the last six (6) months, at the candidate's own expense, and has provided proof to the Electoral Officer that they have not been convicted of an indictable offence in Canada or a felony in North America during the past five (5) years, as well as the completion of a Vulnerable Sectors Check. For greater clarity, a candidate must request a supporting letter from the Chief Administrative Officer, or designate, to assist in obtaining a police record check and Vulnerable Sectors Check.

I also confirm that I have received the Candidate Information Package, [letter above] and would like my name to appear on the ballot as follows:

(include name as it will appear on the ballot)

I do declare that I am not making a false statement under oath and that if it is found otherwise, I am subject to a finding of guilt by the Appeal Body, and under conviction, liable to dismissal, penalty, or both, as determined by the Appeal Body.

Nominee Signature

SWORN before me in the _____, this
_____ day of _____, 20__

Electoral Officer, Chief
Administrative Officer, Justice of
the Peace, Notary Public, or
Commissioner for Taking Oaths

FORM 7: NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF NOMINATION FOR ELECTION

I, _____ (*name*) _____, registry # _____, and
Member of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, wish to withdraw my name from the
upcoming election, to be held on _____, 20____, for the position of
_____(*Ogimaa / Gimaa*) ____.

Signed by: _____
(Candidate)

Witnessed by: _____
(Witness Print Name) (Witness Signature)

Date: _____

FORM 8: NOTICE LIST OF NOMINEES

Notice is hereby given that the following persons have been nominated for the following positions for the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Council election, to be held on the ____ day of _____, 20__.

	OGIMAA (1) (In alphabetical order)	Nominator	Secunder
1			
2			
3			
4			

	GIMAA (9) (In alphabetical order)	Nominator	Secunder
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			
10			
11			

Any Eligible Voter who believes that a candidate is not eligible to be a candidate, may advise the Electoral Officer in writing, by ____ (time) on the ____ day of ____ (month) _____, 20__, outlining the grounds for that belief, and providing any supporting evidence that the Eligible Voter may have.

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FORM 9: NOTICE OF ELECTION

TO: MEMBERS of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

TAKE NOTICE that an Election will be held pursuant to the MCFN Election Law and the Rules and Procedures on Day, Month, Year, in order to determine the leadership of the MCFN.

Members may vote by way of:

- (a) electronic ballot; or
- (b) in-person at a polling station.

The vote will take place on Day, Month, Year, from 8:00a.m. until 7:00p.m (ET) at: *(Polling Location(s))*

Electronic voting will begin on Day, Month, Year, at 12:01a.m (ET) and close on Day, Month, Year, at 7:00p.m (ET).

The voters list is posted for public viewing at the *(Designated Public Locations)* and the voters list is also posted for public viewing on MCFN's Members-only website.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that all Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Members 18 years of age or over, as of the date of the election, are eligible to vote by electronic ballot or in-person. For greater clarity, a Member who turns 18 years of age on election day, will only have access to a ballot as of election day, and not before. The voter's list is posted for public viewing at the *(Designated Public Locations)* and on the MCFN Members-only website.

To vote electronically, an Eligible Voter must register with the Electronic Voting Service Provider with their own, separate, email address. A link to register can be found here: *(include link to Electronic Voting Service Provider)*. A guide to registering for electronic voting is appended to this Notice of Election *(if applicable)*. If an Eligible Voter forgets their password, to obtain a new online password for electronic voting, an Eligible Voter should select the "forgot password" link on the Electronic Voting Service Provider's website and follow the steps to reset the password. If an Eligible Voter has any questions regarding electronic voting, the following individuals may be contacted:

_____, Electoral Officer, *(address, phone number, and email)*; or

_____, Deputy Electoral Officer, *(address, phone number, and email)*.

For questions or more information, contact *(Name of Electoral Officer here)* at *(phone number)*, *(email)*, or *(address)*

DATED at _____, this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Electoral Officer Name

Electoral Officer Signature

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FORM 10: SCRUTINEERS - LETTER OF AUTHORIZATION

I, _____ (*name of candidate*) _____, a candidate in the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation election, to be conducted on the ____ day of _____, 20____, hereby appoint _____ (*name of scrutineer*) _____, as my scrutineer, at the polling station, situated on the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and I, _____ (*name of scrutineer*) _____, hereby consent to being appointed as a scrutineer for _____ (*name of candidate*) _____, at the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation election, being conducted on the ____ day of ____ (*month*) _____, 20____.

Candidate's Signature

Date

Scrutineer's Signature

Date

Guidelines for Scrutineers

The Electoral Officer will permit scrutineers to:

- Witness the inspection of the ballot box and other voting documents at the opening of the polling station and the counting of the ballots at the close of the polling station.
- Require an Eligible Voter to show identification or take an oath through the Electoral Officer.
- Examine the Voters' Register during election day provided no Eligible Voter is inconvenienced or delayed in voting.
- Examine ballot marks and object to a ballot being counted during the count.
- Receive a copy of the election report made by the Electoral Officer of the number of votes given to each candidate and the number of ballots rejected and not counted by the Electoral Officer.

Only one (1) scrutineer per candidate will be allowed inside the polling station at any one time, to observe the proceedings on election day.

Scrutineers are not to interfere with Eligible Voters, the Electoral Officer, Deputy Electoral Officers, or interpreter during election day. Scrutineers may not rush or interfere with the Electoral Officer, Deputy Electoral Officers, or interpreter during the counting of the ballots and shall not participate in the election process in any way, other than as identified above. Election staff may request any person to leave the voting station, inclusive of the scrutineers. Peacekeepers or OPP assistance will be called if required.

FORM 11: VERIFICATION OF THE BALLOT BOX

I, _____ (*name*) _____, an Electoral Officer or Deputy Electoral Officer for the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation election, held on this ____ day, ____ (*month*) _____, 20____, at _____ (*location of polling station*) _____, declare that at the commencement of the election at 8:00am (ET), the ballot box was opened in the presence of such persons as were present, inspected, initialed, and determined to be empty as is required by the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Election Law. The ballot box was properly sealed in a manner that would prevent it from being opened.

(*Signature of Electoral Officer*)

(*Signature of Witness*)

I, _____ (*name*) _____, declare that I was personally present at the polling station at _____ (*location of polling station*) _____, on the ____ day of (*month*) _____, 20____, where Eligible Voters of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation were to vote in an election, and:

1. I am an Eligible Voter;
2. I witnessed that the ballot box (*or I witnessed that ballot box # ____*) was empty before any votes were cast in the election;
3. I witnessed the Electoral Officer seal the ballot box and sign the seal; and
4. I signed the seal, as requested by the Electoral Officer.

(*Name of Witness*)

(*Signature of Witness*)

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FORM 12: FORM 16: DECLARATION OF ELECTORAL OFFICER, ELECTRONIC BALLOTS

(Electronic Ballots)

I, _____ (*name*) _____, Electoral Officer for Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, in _____ (*place*), DO SOLEMNLY MAKE OATH OR AFFIRMATION AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) I followed the rules and procedures outlined in the Election Law and the Election Law Rules and Procedures; and
- (2) I make this affidavit in fulfillment of my role as Electoral Officer and for no improper purpose.

SWORN before me in the Territory
of Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation this
_____ day of _____, 20__

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*Justice of the Peace, Notary Public,
or Commissioner for Taking Oaths*

Electoral Officer

FORM 13: OBJECTIONS

#*	Objection	Name of Person making Objection	Decision and Initial of the EO

**Indicate the number of the objection on the back of the ballot, beginning at “1”*

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FORM 14: BALLOT TALLY SHEET

Election Date: _____

TOTAL BALLOT TALLY PER PHYSICAL COUNT: _____

ACCEPTABLE BALLOTS: _____

SPOILED BALLOTS: _____

REJECTED BALLOTS: _____

UNUSED BALLOTS: _____

TOTAL BALLOT TALLY: _____

SIGNED _____
(Signature of Electoral Officer)

WITNESS _____
(Signature of Witness)

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FORM 15: ELECTION REPORT OF THE RESULTS FOR OGIMAA

I certify that the results of the election for OGIMAA for the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, held on the ____ day of _____, 20____ were as follows:

	Name of Candidate	Number of Votes	Elected
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			

Total Number of Confirmed Ballots: _____

Total Number of Rejected Ballots: _____

Name of successful candidate elected: _____

Dated at _____ on the ____ day of _____, 20____.

The counting of the votes was diligently conducted in accordance with the MCFN Election Law and Rules and Procedures.

(Signature of Electoral Officer)

(Signature of Witness)

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FORM 16: ELECTION REPORT OF THE RESULTS FOR GIMAA

I certify that the results of the election for nine (9) GIMAA for the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, held on the ____ day of ____ (*month*), 20____ were as follows:

	Name of Candidate	Number of Votes	Elected
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			
10			

Total Number of Confirmed Ballots: _____

Total Number of Rejected Ballots: _____

Name of successful candidates elected: (*LIST*)

Dated at _____ on the ____ day of _____, 20____.

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The counting of the votes was diligently conducted in accordance with the MCFN Election Law and Rules and Procedures.

(Signature of Electoral Officer)

(Signature of Witness)

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FORM 17: DECLARATION OF DESTRUCTION OF BALLOTS & ELECTORAL MATERIAL

I, _____(name)_____, Electoral Officer for the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, in _____(place), DO SOLEMNLY MAKE OATH OR AFFIRMATION AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) I followed the rules and procedures outlined in the Election Law and the Election Law Rules and Procedures;
- (2) I confirm that I have destroyed all of the ballots and election materials from the election held on ____ day of ____ (month) _____, 20 ____; and
- (3) I make this affidavit in fulfillment of my role as Electoral Officer and for no improper purpose.

Sworn before me at City/Town (Territory) of _____)
_____(City/Town/Mississaugas of the Credit)
First Nation), in the Province of _____,)
this ____ day of ____ (month) _____, 20 ____.

Justice of the Peace, Notary Public,
or Commissioner for Taking Oaths

Electoral Officer

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FORM 18: OATH OF OFFICE

I, _____(name of elected Council member)_____, having been elected a member of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Council, do swear / affirm this oath of office, to:

1. *Give thanks to the Creator and ask that the Creator guide me in my work to the best of my ability and grant me a clear mind, a pure heart, and courage: a clear mind, to make well thought out and intelligent decisions; a pure heart, to make decisions that are without personal bias or desire; and the courage to use both a clear mind and a pure heart in my own life and work;*
2. *Set aside small differences so that I may work together with Council, staff, and Members, on the real issues that impact the Nation;*
3. *Not be bogged down in rhetoric and to live each day with a feeling of accomplishment and pride;*
4. *Remember that we are not adversaries, and that we share a similar past, a kindred spirit, and a common heritage;*
5. *Remember the real reason why we come together, to do the right thing for our people, our Nation, our children, and our future;*
6. *Uphold and comply with the Law, its rules and procedures, this oath of office, the Code of Conduct, all laws and policies of the community, and the Governance Orientation Manual;*
7. *Fulfill the duties and responsibilities of my office under the Law, its rules and procedures, this oath of office, the Code of Conduct, the Governance Orientation Manual, and all laws and policies of the Nation;*
8. *Promote and maintain responsibility and accountability for good financial management and practices;*
9. *Carry out my duties faithfully, honestly, impartially, with integrity, and to the best of my abilities;*
10. *Keep confidential, both during and after my term of office, any matter or information which, under the Law, its rules and procedures, the laws of the Nation, or policies, is considered confidential;*
11. *Always act in the best interests of the Members in carrying out my duties; and*
12. *Always remember that my primary duty is to serve the MCFN membership as a whole, and to treat all Members fairly and equally regardless of name, ancestry, or residency.*

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I also swear or affirm that if I should be found to violate this oath that I am subject to a finding of guilt by the Appeal Body, and under conviction, liable to dismissal, penalty, or both, as determined by the Appeal Body.

Elected Council Member Signature

SWORN before me at City/Town (Territory) of _____
(City/Town/Mississaugas of the Credit
First Nation), in the Province of _____,
this ____ day of __ (month) _____, 20 ____.

Electoral Officer, Justice of the
Peace, Notary Public, or
Commissioner for Taking Oaths