

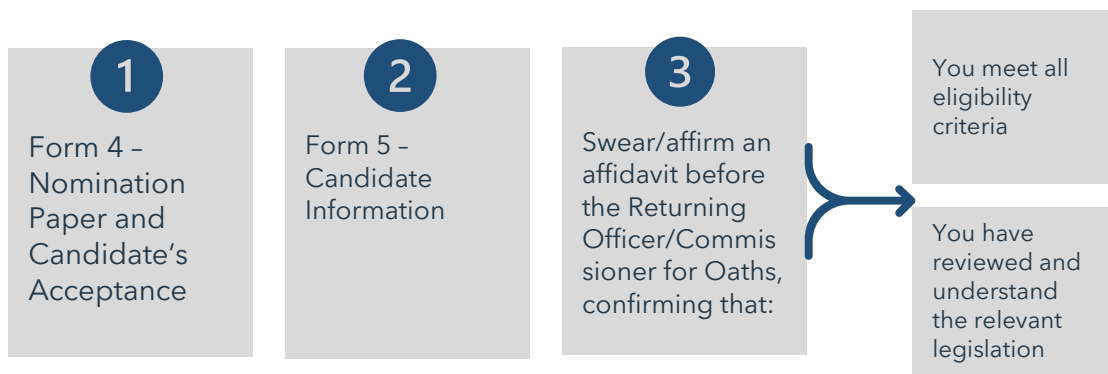
## Who Can Run for Office?

Under the **Local Authorities Election Act** (LAEA), a person is eligible to be nominated as a candidate if, on Nomination Day, they meet all the following criteria:

- ✓ At least 18 years old
- ✓ A Canadian citizen
- ✓ Has resided in the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo (RMWB) and in the ward they intend to run in for a minimum of six (6) consecutive months immediately prior to Nomination Day
- ✓ Is not otherwise disqualified or ineligible

### Nomination Requirements

Candidates **MUST** file a Notice of Intent before filing nomination forms. To officially file your nomination, you must complete and submit:



### Candidate Responsibility

It is up to each candidate to:

- ✓ Read and understand the Local Authorities Election Act and any applicable municipal bylaws
- ✓ Confirm their own eligibility
- ✓ Ensure their nomination forms are accurate, complete, and submitted on time

Nomination forms and further information are available at [rmwb.ca/elections](https://rmwb.ca/elections).

## Notice of Intent

- ❖ Anyone who intends to run as a candidate in the 2025 Municipal Election must submit a notice of intent
- ❖ Can submit notice of intent until Sept. 22, 2025
- ❖ Allows Candidates to start accepting campaign contributions and incur campaign expenses
- ❖ Must be Commissioned by Commissioner of Oaths
- ❖ **Once their notice of intent is complete, candidates are added to the Register of Candidates**



## Who Is NOT Eligible?

The LAEA outlines several **disqualifications** that would prevent a person from being nominated as a candidate. You are not eligible if you:

- ✗ Are the auditor of the municipality or school board
- ✗ Are currently an employee of the municipality or school board (unless on an approved leave of absence)
- ✗ Owe taxes exceeding \$50 (excluding current taxes or deferred under a valid consolidation agreement)
- ✗ Are in arrears to the municipality of more than \$500 for over 90 days
- ✗ Were convicted within the past 10 years of an offence under any of the following:
  - Local Authorities Election Act
  - Election Act (Alberta)
  - Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act
  - Canada Elections Act
- ✗ Have failed to meet campaign disclosure requirements from a previous election

**Note:** This list is not exhaustive. It is your responsibility as a candidate to carefully review the LAEA and ensure you meet all eligibility requirements.

