

Candidate

Persons wishing to seek elected municipal or local board office should read the relevant legislation and regulations for qualifications required for the office, e.g. the [Municipal Act, 2001](#), the [Education Act](#), and the [Municipal Elections Act, 1996](#).

It is the responsibility of the candidate to determine whether he or she is qualified to be elected to and hold the office.

Candidates can only be nominated for one municipal office in the Province of Ontario at a time.

A candidate for municipal office must, upon nomination, be a qualified municipal elector and fulfill all of the following requirements:

- a Canadian citizen;
- at least 18 years old;
- not be legally prohibited from voting; and
- not be disqualified by any legislation from holding municipal office.

Note: Candidates for school board trustee must reside within the board area and be a supporter of that board. Nominations for School Board Trustee are received by the Clerk of the largest municipality within the board area. Please call the Township office at (613) 925-4231 if you are interested.

Persons Not Eligible

The following persons **are or may be disqualified** from being elected to municipal office:

- any person not eligible to vote in the municipality;
- an employee of a municipality or local board unless he or she:
 - takes an unpaid leave of absence before being nominated, and
 - resigns, if elected to the office;
- a judge of any court;
- a Member of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, a Senator or a Member of the House of Commons; or
- an inmate of a penal or correctional institution under sentence of imprisonment.