

**Module 8:  
Post-Vote Procedures**

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**Senate & Referendum**

Application of LAEA

- Apply the same counting process
- Slight modifications for:
  - Forms to Use
  - Counting Rules
  - Results Reporting
  - Ballot Retention
  - Recount / Appeal



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**Senate Ballot Count**

Counting Ballots

<p><b>What to Count</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Any number of candidate selections up to the maximum<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For a maximum of 3, an elector may choose 1, 2, or 3 candidates</li></ul></li></ul>	<p><b>What to reject</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Candidate selections over the maximum<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For a maximum of 3, ballots with 4+ selections are rejected</li></ul></li><li>• Blank ballots</li></ul>
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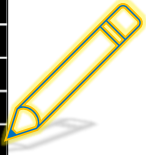
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### Senate Ballot Count

Sample Ballot

**2021 Alberta Senate Election**  
You can vote for up to 3 senate candidates.  
Mark your choices with an X.

CANDIDATE ALPHA <small>ALPHA PARTY OF CANADA</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE BETA <small>BETA PARTY OF CANADA</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE GAMMA <small>GAMMA BLOCK</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE DELTA <small>NEW DELTA PARTY</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE EPSILON <small>INDEPENDENT</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>




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### Senate Ballot Count

Tally Sheet Preparation

**2021 Alberta Senate Election**  
You can vote for up to 3 senate candidates.  
Mark your choices with an X.

CANDIDATE ALPHA <small>ALPHA PARTY OF CANADA</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE BETA <small>BETA PARTY OF CANADA</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE GAMMA <small>GAMMA BLOCK</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE DELTA <small>NEW DELTA PARTY</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE EPSILON <small>INDEPENDENT</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	ALPHA	BETA	GAMMA	DELTA	EPSILON	REJECTED	BLANK
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### Senate Ballot Count

Scenario 1 – Valid Ballot

**2021 Alberta Senate Election**  
You can vote for up to 3 senate candidates.  
Mark your choices with an X.

CANDIDATE ALPHA <small>ALPHA PARTY OF CANADA</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE BETA <small>BETA PARTY OF CANADA</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE GAMMA <small>GAMMA BLOCK</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE DELTA <small>NEW DELTA PARTY</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE EPSILON <small>INDEPENDENT</small>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

	ALPHA	BETA	GAMMA	DELTA	EPSILON	REJECTED	BLANK
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### Senate Ballot Count

Scenario 2 – Under Vote

**2021 Alberta Senate Election**  
You can vote for up to 3 senate candidates.  
Mark your choices with an X.

CANDIDATE ALPHA ALPHA PARTY OF CANADA	<input type="radio"/>
CANDIDATE BETA BETA PARTY OF CANADA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE GAMMA GAMMA BLOCK	<input type="radio"/>
CANDIDATE DELTA NEW DELTA PARTY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE EPSILON INDEPENDENT	<input type="radio"/>

	ALPHA	BETA	GAMMA	DELTA	EPSILON	REJECTED	BLANK
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### Senate Ballot Count

Scenario 3 – Over Vote

**2021 Alberta Senate Election**  
You can vote for up to 3 senate candidates.  
Mark your choices with an X.

CANDIDATE ALPHA ALPHA PARTY OF CANADA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE BETA BETA PARTY OF CANADA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE GAMMA GAMMA BLOCK	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE DELTA NEW DELTA PARTY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CANDIDATE EPSILON INDEPENDENT	<input type="radio"/>

	ALPHA	BETA	GAMMA	DELTA	EPSILON	REJECTED	BLANK
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### Senate Ballot Count

Scenario 4 – Blank Ballot

**2021 Alberta Senate Election**  
You can vote for up to 3 senate candidates.  
Mark your choices with an X.

CANDIDATE ALPHA ALPHA PARTY OF CANADA	<input type="radio"/>
CANDIDATE BETA BETA PARTY OF CANADA	<input type="radio"/>
CANDIDATE GAMMA GAMMA BLOCK	<input type="radio"/>
CANDIDATE DELTA NEW DELTA PARTY	<input type="radio"/>
CANDIDATE EPSILON INDEPENDENT	<input type="radio"/>

	ALPHA	BETA	GAMMA	DELTA	EPSILON	REJECTED	BLANK
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Senate Ballot Count		Ballot Account & Result of Vote						
		ALPHA	BETA	GAMMA	DELTA	EPSILON	REJECTED	BLANK
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20								
25								
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35		10	21	17	26	3	13	7

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Senate Ballot Count		Ballot Account & Result of Vote						
		ALPHA	BETA	GAMMA	DELTA	EPSILON	REJECTED	BLANK
5								
10								
15								
20								
25								
30								
35		10	21	17	26	3	13	7

Valid Ballots for:	Number of Ballots:
Candidate ALPHA	10
Candidate BETA	21
Candidate GAMMA	17
Candidate DELTA	26
Candidate EPSILON	3
Rejected Ballots	13
Rejected Ballots on Which No Vote Was Cast by an Elector	7

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Referendum Ballot Count		Counting Ballots
<b>What to Count</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Look at each question on its own                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A question with a single response is counted</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Look at each question on its own                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A question with multiple responses is not counted</li> <li>A blank question is not counted</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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### Referendum Ballot Count

#### Sample Ballot

**2021 Referendum Vote**  
To vote, mark one circle per question to indicate your choice. Mark your choices with an X.

**QUESTION 1 - PIZZA**  
Does the Italian pizza actually originate in origin, should it also be considered a national dish like pasta?

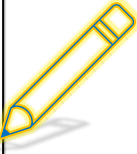
YES    
NO

**QUESTION 2 - SALAD**  
If potatoes are a vegetable and ketchup is a fruit based sauce, does that make french fries with ketchup a type of salad?

YES    
NO

**QUESTION 3 - TACOS**  
Should Canadians join with Mexico and the United States in formally celebrating a "National Taco Day"?

YES    
NO



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### Referendum Ballot Count

#### Tally Sheet Preparation

**2021 Referendum Vote**  
To vote, mark one circle per question to indicate your choice. Mark your choices with an X.

**QUESTION 1 - PIZZA**  
Does the Italian pizza actually originate in origin, should it also be considered a national dish like pasta?

YES    
NO

**QUESTION 2 - SALAD**  
If potatoes are a vegetable and ketchup is a fruit based sauce, does that make french fries with ketchup a type of salad?

YES    
NO

**QUESTION 3 - TACOS**  
Should Canadians join with Mexico and the United States in formally celebrating a "National Taco Day"?

YES    
NO

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QUESTION 1:				
	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK
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### Referendum Ballot Count

#### Scenario 1 – Valid Ballot

**QUESTION 1**

YES    
NO

**QUESTION 2**

YES    
NO

**QUESTION 3**

YES    
NO

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	QUESTION 1:			QUESTION 2:			QUESTION 3:					
	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK
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**Referendum Ballot Count** Scenario 2 – Under Vote

	QUESTION 1:	QUESTION 2:	QUESTION 3:										
	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK	
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**Referendum Ballot Count** Scenario 3 – Over Vote

	QUESTION 1:	QUESTION 2:	QUESTION 3:										
	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK	
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**Referendum Ballot Count** Ballot Account & Result of Vote

	QUESTION 1:	QUESTION 2:	QUESTION 3:										
	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK	YES	NO	REJECTED	BLANK	
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15													
20													
25													
30													
35	10	22	2	1	21	12	1	1	15	5	14	1	

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Senate & Referendum

Results Reporting

**Election Night**

- Municipality may report results

**Post Vote**

- Returning Officer **must** report results to Elections Alberta by October 25
- Reporting is completed in the Elections Database
- Separate screens for referendum and senate reporting

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**Senate Election**

What to report?

- Number of Votes for each Candidate
- Number of Rejected Ballots
- Number of Blank Ballots

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**Referendum Vote**

What to report?

For each referendum question:

- Number of "Yes" Votes
- Number of "No" Votes
- Number of Rejected Ballots
- Number of Blank Ballots

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**Senate & Referendum** **Official Announcement**



- Elections Alberta completes the Official Tabulation
- Results from all jurisdictions are included
- Senate nominees are declared
- Results of referendum questions are announced
- Official announcement and municipality by municipality results posted online

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**Senate & Referendum** **Recount / Appeal**

In the case of a judicial recount or appeal, Elections Alberta will make arrangements with municipalities with required items, such as:

Jurisdictions using regular ballots	Jurisdictions with an alternative voting equipment bylaw
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All ballot boxes containing ballots</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ballots will not be collected</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ballot Account &amp; Result of Vote Forms</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tabulator results tapes, result reports</li> <li>• Ballot Account &amp; Result of Vote Forms</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Returning Officer's Compilation of Results</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Returning Officer's Compilation of Results</li> </ul>

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**Senate & Referendum** **Ballot Retention**

- Retention period for senate & referendum ballots is 3 months post-election day
  - Ballots/boxes can be destroyed after January 18, 2022
- If a judicial recount occurs, this timeframe is extended a further 3 months after the date of the decision



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