

DECLARATION OF NAME ON BALLOT

Municipal Elections Act, 1996 s. 12(1) & 41(2)

Candidate's Declaration of Name to be Used on the Ballot

Summary:

In accordance with the powers afforded to the Town Clerk & Returning Officer in Subjection 12 (1) and subject to Subjection 41 (2), of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, the following procedures shall be referenced when determining how a candidate name will appear on a municipal election ballot.

- (1) The name by which the candidate is known as in the general public shall be the name to appear on the ballot. General public is interpreted to mean "relating to, or affecting, a nation, state, or community".
- (2) It is the discretion of the candidate whether they wish to include a middle initial(s) on the ballot, except in the instance where two names are identical or similar enough that in the opinion of the Town Clerk & Returning Officer they should be distinguished by including a middle initial(s) to avoid confusion. Should two candidates have the same first name(s), middle initial(s) and last name(s), the candidates' qualifying addresses shall also be included on the ballot.
- (3) Where the candidate has filed his or her Nomination Paper using a name which is not the name by which he or she is known by in the general public, and for which he or she is unable to produce identification acceptable to the Town Clerk & Returning Officer, the candidate may be required to take a declaration which states that he or she is known by that name in the general public.
- (4) The Town Clerk & Returning Officer may not allow a name(s) to be shown on a ballot because of, but not limited to, an offensive or derogatory meaning or implication.
- (5) No reference to a candidate's occupation, degree, title, honour or decoration shall appear on the ballot.



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Instructions to the Candidate

This form must accompany the Nomination Paper (EL01) for the nomination to be accepted.

- A Declaration of Name to be Used on the Ballot may only be filed in person or by an agent; it may not be faxed, mailed or e-mailed.
- If this declaration is being submitted by an Agent:
 - o the form must be commissioned by a Commissioner of Oaths;
 - o the Agent must show their identification in addition to a copy of the candidates identification

PART I – Candidate Information					
Candidate's name as it is appears on the identification submitted to the Town Clerk's Office					
First Name		Middle Name			Surname
Candidate's name as they wish it to appear on the ballot paper (subject to agreement of the Town Clerk)					
First Name			itial (optional)	Surname	
PART II – A declaration made under the authority of Subsection 12 (1) of the Municipal Election Act, 1996					
I,					
Declared before me at the TOWN of MILTON in the REGION of HALTON this day of, 2025.					
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Signature of Candidate			Signature of Clerk or Commissioner, etc.		
For Election Official Use Only		Date Fil	Date Filed (yyyy/mm/dd):		
Filed by:	Received by:	Signatu	Signature of Clerk or Designate:		
□ Candidate	□ Town Clerk				
□ Agent	□ Designate				

Personal information on this form is collected under the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996 s. 88, and are deemed as public records. They may be inspected by any person at the Clerk's office at a time when the office is open. Questions about this collection of personal information should be directed to H. Lafee, Elections, 150 Mary Street, Milton, ON L9T 6Z5 (905) 878-7252 x 2292.