

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.

Instructions to the Candidate

Candidates must complete Parts I and II

- 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. Submit this form in person to:
 - Milton Elections, Town Hall, 150 Mary Street, Milton, L9T 6Z5 Attn: Helen Lafee
- If this declaration is being submitted by an Agent:
 - the form must be commissioned by a Commissioner of Oaths;
 - the Agent must show his/her 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
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Candidate’s name as they wish it to appear on the ballot paper (subject to agreement of the Town Clerk)

First Name	Initial (optional)	Surname
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PART II – A declaration made under the authority of Subsection 12 (1) of the *Municipal Election Act, 1996*

I, _____, a candidate registered for the Office of _____ in the October 26, 2026 Municipal Election do hereby affirm:

THAT I am unable to produce personal identification showing the name I am known by in the general public.

THAT it is my desire that my married name or the name I am known by in the general public be shown on the ballot as indicated in Part I:

THAT I understand that it is the authority of the Town Clerk & Returning Officer to determine how names will be shown on the ballot subject to Subsection 41 (2) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* and that I will be notified of the decision of the Town Clerk & Returning Officer prior to the Town Clerk & Returning Officer’s Certification of Nominations.

AND THAT I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath.

Declared before me at the TOWN of MILTON in the REGION of HALTON this ____ day of _____, 2026.

Signature of Candidate	Signature of Clerk or Commissioner, etc.
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For Election Official Use Only		Date Filed (yyyy/mm/dd):
Filed by: <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate <input type="checkbox"/> Agent	Received by: <input type="checkbox"/> Town Clerk <input type="checkbox"/> Designate	Signature of Clerk or Designate:

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