

Step 1 Your details

Please write clearly using a blue or black pen

Step 2 Your New Zealand address

Lived here under one month?
Turn over to do STEP 2A too ↻

Living overseas?
Leave STEP 2 blank and turn over to do STEP 2B instead ↻

Step 3 Your postal address

If different from current home address or if you're living overseas

Step 4 Your roll

This is an important choice.
To learn about Māori descent and roll choice, turn over to the QUESTIONS section ↻

Step 5 Sign and return

Upload form at
vote.nz/upload

Email form to
enrol@vote.nz

Post form to
Electoral Commission
Freepost 2 Enrol
PO Box 190, Wellington 6140

Questions? Please turn over for help with this form ↻

Title Mr Mrs Miss Ms Mx Other

Surname or family name

First names

Date of birth [dd/mm/yyyy] / / Occupation

Mobile phone number Other phone number

Email address

Current NZ home address

 New Zealand

Postal address

Please tick ONE statement that applies to you.


- I am of Māori descent. Please enrol me on the **Māori roll**.
- I am of Māori descent. Please enrol me on the **general roll**.
- I am not of Māori descent. (You will be enrolled on the **general roll**.)

I declare that:

- I am eligible to enrol at the address I provided in this application
- All the information I have provided is true and correct, and
- I understand that giving false or misleading information is a criminal offence.

Signature Date [dd/mm/yyyy]

Step 2A Current address under one month?

Please fill in this step, then turn over to complete and sign your form 


When did you move into your current home address?

/ /	[dd/mm/yyyy]
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What is the last address in New Zealand where you lived **for one month or more**?

New Zealand

Step 2B Living overseas?

Please fill in this step, then turn over to complete and sign your form 

Are you a New Zealand

Citizen Permanent resident

When did you last visit or live in New Zealand?

/ /	[dd/mm/yyyy]
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What is the last address in New Zealand where you lived **for one month or more**?

New Zealand

Please turn over to complete and sign your form 

Questions? Read here

Eligibility to vote

You must enrol if you live in NZ and are:

- 18 or older, and
- a citizen or a permanent resident of NZ, and
- have ever lived in NZ continuously for one year or more.

You can enrol at 17 but can't vote until you're 18.

If you live overseas, you can enrol for the 2023 General Election if you're a:

- NZ citizen who has been in NZ within the last 6 years, or
- NZ permanent resident and have been in NZ in the last 4 years.

After the 2023 election this will change back to 3 years for NZ citizens and 12 months for NZ permanent residents.

For electoral purposes, a permanent resident is anyone lawfully in NZ and not required to leave within a specific time. This includes someone on a resident visa.

If you're Australian, Cook Islander, Niuean, or Tokelauan you can enrol if you've lived in NZ continuously for one year or more. If this applies to you, you don't need a resident visa to enrol.

Personal safety

If having your information on the published electoral roll threatens you or your family's personal safety, you can apply to go on the unpublished roll. The unpublished roll is confidential. To learn more visit us at vote.nz

What address should I use?

Use the address you consider to be your home. Your home address does not change if you sometimes live away from home for your work or education.

Māori descent and roll choice

For enrolment purposes, Māori descent means you are descended from a NZ Māori. This includes Chatham Island Māori, but not Cook Island Māori.

If you're of Māori descent, you can choose to enrol on the Māori roll or the general roll.

Your choice is important. The roll you choose to be on affects your electorate vote but not your party vote in parliamentary elections. If you're on the Māori roll, you'll vote for a candidate in a Māori electorate. If you're on the general roll, you'll vote for a candidate in a general electorate. The number of people on the Māori roll also affects the number of Māori seats in Parliament.

For local elections, if you're on the Māori roll and your council has a Māori ward or constituency, you'll vote for a candidate in the Māori ward or constituency.

You can change the roll you're on at any time except:

- in the 3 months before a general election,
- in the 3 months before the local elections held every 3 years, and
- during a parliamentary by-election if it puts you in the electorate where the by-election is being held.

Completing the form for someone else?

You may be completing the form on behalf of someone else who is living or travelling overseas or unable to sign due to an impairment. You need an additional form from us. Call us at 0800 36 76 56 and we'll send you the form.

More information

If you need more information:

Visit us at vote.nz

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