

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN
BOARD POLICY**

POLICY: Election Officials Remuneration

AUTHORITY: Board Resolution dated January 18, 2018.

POLICY STATEMENT

The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen will compensate local government election officials at a rate that reflects both the time commitment and the importance of the election process.

PURPOSE

To provide direction for the remuneration of local government election officials during local government elections, by-elections and assent voting.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Chief Election Officer

The Chief Election Officer is responsible for the financial budget for the General Local Elections, and is responsible to approve all election related expenses, including all remuneration and expense claims for election staff.

Presiding Election Official

Presiding Election Officials shall ensure that all election officials at that Presiding Election Officials polling station complete and submit an accurate timesheet reflective of time worked with respect to the election.

PROCEDURES

1. Election officials appointed by the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen shall be remunerated as follows:

Position	Remuneration
Chief Election Officer	Three days lieu time
Deputy Chief Election Officer	\$900.00, \$40/hour after 16 hours
Presiding Election Official	\$500.00; \$33.50/hour after 15 hours
Alternate Presiding Election Official	\$385.00; \$24.50/hour after 15 hours
Other Election Officials	\$24.50/hour

2. Scrutineers (candidate representatives) shall not be compensated by the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen.
3. Meals shall be provided for all appointed election officials. If meals cannot be provided, election officials may submit a request for compensation in accordance with the current Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Remuneration, Expenses and Benefits bylaw.
4. Election officials who are approved by the Chief Election Officer to use their personal vehicle for local government election purposes may submit a request for compensation in accordance with the current Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Remuneration, Expenses and Benefits bylaw.
5. Overnight accommodation shall be provided for election officials who are required to drive in excess of an hour to reach their assigned poll location. Accommodation limits shall be in accordance with the BC Government Employees Business Travel Listing, under which the Regional District is an approved public sector entity.
6. Election training for election officials will be paid at the hourly rate outlined above in section 1.