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Are you concerned about your personal safety?

Not everyone feels safe enough to have their details publicly available on the electoral roll, but that doesn't mean they lose the right to vote.

If you're concerned about your personal safety, or that of your family, you can apply to go on the confidential unpublished roll.

Your enrolment details will be kept secure and not given to anyone.

How to go on the unpublished roll

To apply to go on the unpublished roll, choose one of the following options:

- download the unpublished roll application form from vote.nz/unpublished, complete the form and email it to us
- call **0800 36 76 56** and we'll post the form to you in the mail.

You can return the form by:

- post to: Electoral Commission, PO Box 190, Wellington 6140
- email a scanned copy or photo to:
unpublished.roll@elections.govt.nz

Remember to include any information that supports your application to register on the unpublished roll.

If you're not already enrolled, or you need to update your details, you also need to complete an enrolment form.

To get an enrolment form, choose one of these two options:

- call **0800 36 76 56** and we'll post an enrolment form to you
- download an enrolment form at vote.nz to complete and return to us.

What supporting information do I need to include?

You need to provide information that shows why you need to register on the unpublished roll.

Here are some examples of the type of information to include. (You don't need all of these types of information to apply.)

- A letter explaining why your work or personal circumstances place you at risk. This letter could be from your employer, lawyer, social worker, advocate, or someone of standing in the community.
- A copy of a protection order that is in force under the Family Violence Act 2018.
- A copy of a restraining order that is in force under the Harassment Act 1997.
- Information from a police officer or corrections officer explaining why publishing your name and address could prejudice you or your family's safety.

What if my personal details change?

Once you're on the unpublished roll, you need to let us know if any of your enrolment details change, such as your name or address.

You can do that by filling in a new enrolment form and returning it to us.

You can also ask to go back on the publicly available roll if your personal circumstances change.

Contact the Electoral Commission by emailing us at unpublished.roll@elections.govt.nz if you need to make any changes.

How do I vote when I'm on the unpublished roll?

You can vote at any voting place in a general election or by-election.

You'll need to cast a special vote because your details won't be on the printed electoral roll used to issue voting papers at the voting place.

You'll need to fill in an extra form with your voting paper to confirm the electorate where you're enrolled to vote.

You don't need to complete the address or previous name information on the form if you don't want to.

However, providing this information helps us to confirm your eligibility to vote.

When you get to a voting place, someone will be there to show you what to do.

To vote in local elections, you'll need to ask the electoral officer at your local council to send you voting papers.

Want more information?

For more information about enrolling and voting:

- visit vote.nz
- call **0800 36 76 56**

Information about enrolling and voting is available in multiple languages and other alternate formats at vote.nz

End of Enrolling to vote. Concerned about your personal safety?

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