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 are eligible to enrol but believe that having your details recorded on the printed electoral roll could threaten your personal safety, or that of your family, you may request to go on the confidential unpublished roll.

Your enrolment details will be held securely by the Electoral Commission and not released to anyone.
How to go on the unpublished roll.

To apply to go on the unpublished roll fill in and return the form in this brochure. If you are not currently enrolled, you will also need to complete an enrolment form. To get enrolment forms or additional application forms, you can:

- Download forms at elections.org.nz, or
- Call 0800 36 76 56 and we will post the forms to you in the mail.

What supporting information do I need to provide?

You will need to provide supporting information to show why you need to register on the unpublished roll. Examples of the type of information to include:

- A letter from your employer, your lawyer, your social worker, your advocate or someone of standing in the community explaining why your work or personal circumstances place you at risk, or
- A copy of a protection order that is in force under the Domestic Violence Act 1995, or
- A copy of a restraining order that is in force under the Harassment Act 1997, or
- Information from a Police officer or Corrections officer explaining why your personal safety, or that of your family, could be prejudiced by the publication of your name and address.

What if my personal details change?

You’ll need to let us know if any of your enrolment details change, such as your name or address. You can also ask to go back on the printed roll if your personal circumstances change.

Contact your local Registrar of Electors to update your details. Their contact details are available at elections.org.nz or by calling 0800 36 76 56.

How do I vote when I’m on the unpublished roll?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 will need to cast a special vote because your details won’t be included in the printed electoral roll used to issue votes 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 do not need to complete the address or previous name information on the form if you do not want to. The more information you can provide the more it will help us to confirm your eligibility to vote.

There will be someone at the voting place to show you what to do and where to go.

To vote in local elections, you will need to ask the electoral officer at your local Council to send you voting papers.

Complete this form to apply to go on the unpublished roll.

Full name: ________________________________

Date of birth: ________________________________

Contact phone number: ________________________________

Email address: ________________________________

Address where you are enrolled to vote or have applied to enrol: ________________________________

List any additional information provided to support your application: ________________________________

Please tick one of the following:

☐ I am already enrolled

☐ I am not enrolled and I have enclosed a completed enrolment form

Signature/date: ________________________________

Complete and post to: Electoral Commission, PO Box 3220, Wellington 6140.

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

For more information visit elections.org.nz