



The Next Municipal Election is Monday, October 26, 2026

Am I Eligible to Vote?

A person is entitled to be an elector in an election held in the Municipality, in on voting day the person is:

- a Canadian Citizen
- at least 18 years old
- residing in the Municipality or an owner or tenant of land in the Municipality, or the spouse of such owner or tenant; and
- is not otherwise prohibited from voting

Am I on the Voter List?

Visit www.RegisterToVoteON.ca to:

- Confirm you're on the list to vote
- Update your electoral information
- Add yourself to the list if you've recently moved or turned 18

Voter Information Letters (How to Vote)

You will receive a letter delivered via Canada Post (First Class Mail), which will contain your **Personal Identification Number (PIN)**, as well as a telephone access number and an Internet address with instructions on how to vote online or over the phone.

When Can I Vote?

Eligible electors can vote by telephone or online between 9:00 am October 19, 2026, and 8:00 pm October 26, 2026 (24 hours a day).

Voter Help Centres

Voter Help Centres will be open and staffed through various times during the voting period.

Municipal Office

4305 Hamilton Road
Dorchester

Dates:

October 19-23

Monday to Friday

9:00 am to 4:30 pm

October 26

9:00 am to 8:00 pm

Thorndale Lions Community Centre

265 Upper Queen Street
Thorndale

Dates:

October 19-23

Monday to Friday

9:00 am to 4:30 pm

October 24

Saturday 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

October 26

9:00 am to 8:00 pm

Active Living Centre

2066 Dorchester Road
Dorchester

Dates:

October 19-22

Monday to Thursday

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

October 24

Saturday 9:00 am to 6:00 pm



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Information for Candidates:

To be an eligible candidate an individual must be:

- A Canadian citizen
- Aged 18 years or older on the day of filing
- Must qualify as an eligible resident or non-resident elector on the day of filing

A potential candidate must file nomination papers prior to receiving any campaign contributions and/or expending any funds on a campaign. A candidate may file their nomination papers as of **Friday May 1, 2026 at 8:30 a.m.** until **Nomination Day on Friday August 21, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.**

Candidate Packages must be submitted **in person**, along with the required fee, at the following locations during the following times:

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4305 Hamilton Road
Dorchester ON
Monday to Friday
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Thorndale Lions Community Centre
265 Upper Queen Street
Thorndale ON
Monday to Thursday
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For additional information, please see the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing's 2026 Municipal Elections Guide for Candidates, Voters and Third-Party Advertisers Guides:

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/municipal-elections>

Key Dates for Candidates

May 1 – Nominations Open

Friday August 21 at 2:00 p.m. – Nominations Close. All Nomination forms must be submitted no later than 2:00 pm on this day to be considered for the ballot.

Monday August 24 – Clerk certifies all Candidates

Tuesday September 1 – Candidates can begin requesting the Voters List for their ward

Monday October 19 at 9:00 a.m. – Advanced Voting begins

Monday October 26 – Election Day. All voting must be completed by 8 pm this day.

Sunday November 15 – First day of Term of Council 2026-2030

Monday November 16 – Inaugural Council Meeting

Questions? clerk@thamescentre.on.ca (519) 268-7334 ext. 254