

# BRITISH COLUMBIA ASSEMBLY OF FIRST NATIONS



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## BCAFN PROXY PROCEDURES

BCAFN Bylaws govern proxy appointments. In accordance with the Bylaws, the following is required to ensure a complete and valid proxy for the purposes of casting a vote at the upcoming 2020 BCAFN Elections.

**FOR ELECTION VOTING, THE DEADLINE FOR PROXY LETTERS IS 11:15AM ON NOVEMBER 18, 2020.**

Deadline for proxy letters and registration is 15 minutes prior to any vote. We encourage members to submit proxy appointments in advance.

Please note, there is risk that a proxy will be unable to cast a vote before polls close if their proxy letter is submitted close to the deadline. With online voting, BCAFN must fulfill a number of technical requirements including adding the proxy to the voters list, verifying the proxy and sending a secure link to the online election to the proxy. We therefore strongly urge you to submit proxy appointments by **Friday, November 13, 2020**.

Please note election polls will close at 11:30AM, November 18, 2020.

For a proxy to be accepted and valid, BCAFN requires a completed:

- 1) Registration Form and copy of Status card (or equivalent);
- 2) Proxy letter on Member Nation letterhead that is signed by the Member Delegate (Chief or equivalent) or authorized representative of the Member Nation,<sup>1</sup> and
- 3) Completed Registration Form, copy of status card and proxy letter must be submitted to:
  - i. *Joanna Prince, Registration Coordinator* – [Joanna.prince@bcfn.ca](mailto:Joanna.prince@bcfn.ca)  
or
  - ii. *Ron Laufer, Electoral Officer* - [ronlauferelections@gmail.com](mailto:ronlauferelections@gmail.com)

Please note:

- 1) A Member Delegate may hold one vote on behalf of his or her First Nation **and** be appointed as proxy to a maximum of 1 other Member Nation.
- 2) No single person may hold more than one proxy and the holder of a proxy cannot assign, delegate or transfer the proxy to any other person.
- 3) Validity of proxy is determined by the Electoral Officer.

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<sup>1</sup> If signed by an authorized representative and not by the Member Delegate (Chief or equivalent), BCAFN requires a secondary piece of documentation (BCR or similar) that shows that the Member Nation has provided that authority to the representative.