
New Zealand By-Election to elect a Member of Parliament for Tauranga electorate

Voting from overseas in the Tauranga by-election

A by-election is being held in the general electorate of Tauranga on Saturday 18 June to elect a new local member of Parliament (MP).

Eligible voters can vote from overseas from Wednesday 1 June to 7pm on election day, Saturday 18 June (NZ time).

Who can enrol and vote

You can vote from overseas if you are enrolled in the general electorate of Tauranga and:

- are a New Zealand citizen who has been in New Zealand in the last 3 years, or
- are a New Zealand permanent resident who has been in New Zealand in the last 12 months.

How to Enrol

It's easy to enrol, check or update your details. You can enrol or update your details at vote.nz using your New Zealand drivers licence, New Zealand passport or RealMe verified identity.

How to Vote

Your voting papers are not automatically sent to you overseas.

You can vote from overseas from Wednesday 1 June. The easiest and quickest way to vote from overseas is to download and print your voting papers for the Tauranga by-election at vote.nz/overseas. You need to be correctly enrolled before you can download your voting papers. Voters on the unpublished roll will not be able to use the download service.

You may also be able to vote in person (London by appointment only) or request a postal vote (London and Canberra) from an overseas voting place. These options may depend on the COVID-19 situation in your area. Check vote.nz for contact details and the latest updates.

If you are unable to download and print your voting papers or obtain voting papers from an overseas voting place in London, or Canberra, please contact the Electoral Commission by email overseas@vote.nz or call +64 9 909 4182 (from overseas – international call rates may apply).

Completed voting papers can be scanned or photographed and uploaded at vote.nz, faxed to +64 4 494 2300 or hand delivered or posted to an overseas voting place. Full information on how to return your completed voting papers will be included with your voting papers.

More information

If you have any further questions about enrolling or voting from overseas, please email the Electoral Commission on overseas@vote.nz or call +64 9 909 4182 (from overseas – international call rates may apply).