

# Declaration of Candidature

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Municipal Election - Official forms





# CHECKLIST



## CANDIDATE APPLICATION CHECKLIST - MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Party Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Ward: \_\_\_\_\_

Municipality : \_\_\_\_\_

Check	Electoral Office (tick)	
	Yes	No
<b>Check that your application meets the requirements below</b>		
1. Candidate is a registered voter in the ward he wishes to contest in		
2. Candidate application form receipt is attached		
3. Candidate fee receipt is attached		
4. Copy of candidate's National ID card is attached		
5. 5 sponsors have personally signed		
6. 5 sponsors are registered in the same ward as candidate		
7. 5 sponsors are not related to candidate		
8. Copy of sponsors National ID card is attached		
9. Debts and payment of debts receipt attached		
10. 2 passport photo attached		
11. Candidate and party name on back of photo		
12. Contact number provided		
13. Logo attached (Independent or new party)		
14. Candidate is a citizen of Vanuatu		
15. Candidate is 21 years old or over		
16. Copy of birth certificate attached		
17. Candidate is not bankrupt or has debt with the municipal council		
18. Candidate is not serving a sentence or suspended sentence		
19. Candidate resides in the municipal ward where s/he is registered		

# CANDIDATE FORM



## SCHEDULE 1

Electoral Act No. 16 of 2023

### DECLARATION OF CANDIDATURE – MUNICIPAL ELECTION

I \_\_\_\_\_

(Put full names in capital letters.)

Attach 2  
passport  
photos of  
candidate  
here

of \_\_\_\_\_

(Name of island.)

being a citizen of Vanuatu and aged \_\_\_\_\_ years

#### HEREBY DECLARE

1. Myself as a candidate for election to the \_\_\_\_\_ Municipal council as representative for \_\_\_\_\_ constituency/ward.
2. That I am registered as a voter in the electoral list for the polling station of \_\_\_\_\_ and my National ID card number is \_\_\_\_\_
3. That I am not disqualified from voting;
4. That I am not serving a sentence of imprisonment or have not received a suspended sentence of imprisonment where the period of suspension has not ended;
5. That I am not an undischarged bankrupt; and
6. That my occupation/profession is \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE DECLARATION OF CANDIDATURE FORM

1. Persons wishing to contest Municipal council elections must fill in / complete the attached Declaration of Candidature form;
2. The applicant must be a citizen of Vanuatu and aged 21 years or more;
3. The signature of five sponsors (who must be registered voters in the Municipal region and not related to him/her) must be provided (see other side of form);
4. When this form is completed (including sponsorship details) it must be handed to a registration officer for the Municipal government region for which the person named as the candidate is declaring himself/herself a candidate together with:
  - a. a deposit of VT 55,000;
  - b. two passport sized photographs of the candidate (preferably not colour photographs) and;
  - c. an illustration on paper of the candidate's personal electoral symbol, unless he/she is sponsored by a political party with an approved symbol. The symbol should be a simple design in black and white and must not include any words.

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### CANDIDATE SPONSORS

Name \_\_\_\_\_ National ID No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
Polling Station \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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### CANDIDATE PHOTO REQUIREMENT - PROVINCIAL ELECTION

#### Submission of good quality photos and logos for Ballot Paper Printing

Vanuatu Electoral Office is preparing for the elections of Provincial Councils and By-Elections to be held on 8<sup>th</sup> of July 2025. VEO is committed to improve the quality of printing of the ballot papers as per new design introduced during the snap elections 2025.

To ensure better quality of printing of ballot papers, especially quality of candidates' photos and the party logos, all contesting candidates are provided with following instructions to submit their photos and logos of the parties.

Check	Candidate (tick)	
	Yes	No
<b>Check that your photos meet the requirements below</b>		
1. While candidates are required to submit photos along with the nomination form, for printing purposes, submission of soft copies via e mail are preferred.		
2. <b>Accepted formats for submission via e mail:</b> JPEG (.jpg), PNG (.png), or TIFF (.tif) and PDF (.pdf)		
3. Both colored and black and white photos are acceptable		
4. Before sending you should save the photo with identifiable name which indicates candidates first and last name and name of constituency. Example: (e.g., <b>James Smith_Santo.jpg</b> )		
5. If you cannot provide a digital file, please submit a printed photo as per following details: a. Size: at least 6 cm × 9 cm on glossy photo paper b. Label the back with your full name and constituency clearly c. Do not fold or staple the photo.		
6. <b>Quality of photos and logos:</b> - All photos should be taken with standard professional camera - All candidates are required to submit <b>standard passport photo</b> - Photo Dimensions <b>should be</b> width: <b>3.5 cm x Height: 4.5 cm</b> or Width: 413 pixels x Height: 531 pixels - Quality of photos in pixels should be at 300 dpi		
7. <b>Photo Quality Guidelines</b>  - <b>Lighting:</b> Bright, even lighting (no shadows or harsh light)		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Background:</b> Plain, light-colored, or white background</li><li>- <b>Pose:</b> Face directly toward the camera, neutral expression, no sunglasses, or hats</li><li>- <b>Clothing:</b> Presentable, without slogans, logos, or political symbols</li><li>- <b>Focus:</b> Sharp and clear (not blurry or pixelated)</li></ul>		
8. Photos can be sent at this e mail: <a href="mailto:candidatureelection@vanuatu.gov.vu">candidatureelection@vanuatu.gov.vu</a>		
9. In case of any questions, please contact VEO on: (678) 23914		

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Party Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Ward: \_\_\_\_\_

Municipality : \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Time Received: \_\_\_\_\_

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