

Office of the
Chief Electoral Officer
of Ontario



Bureau du directeur
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de l'Ontario

**DIRECTIVE FOR THE 2025 GENERAL ELECTION
FOR ALL ELECTORAL DISTRICTS**

WHEREAS administrators of Ottawa Detention Centre, Toronto East Detention Centre, Toronto South Detention Centre, Collins Bay (Kingston) and Warkworth Institution have delivered inmate applications to vote by special ballot after the deadline for submitting special ballot applications.

AND WHEREAS Elections Ontario has been advised that the late delivery of the inmates' special ballot applications was an error on the part of the institution's administration, and was not the fault of the applicants.

AND WHEREAS section 3.7 of the *Election Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c E.6 (the "Act") authorizes the Chief Electoral Officer to give directions in cases of mistake, miscalculation, emergency, unusual, or unforeseen circumstances.

AND WHEREAS in order to prevent electors who are inmates of Ottawa Detention Centre, Toronto East Detention Centre, Toronto South Detention Centre, Collins Bay (Kingston) and Warkworth Institution from being unfairly denied their right to vote, I will invoke section 3.7 of the Act to extend the period to apply for a special ballot until 6 p.m. on the day before election day for electors who are inmates of Ottawa Detention Centre, Toronto East Detention Centre, Toronto South Detention Centre, Collins Bay (Kingston) and Warkworth Institution.

NOW THEREFORE, I HEREBY DIRECT, pursuant to section 3.7 of the Act, that the period to apply for a special ballot is extended to 6 p.m. on the day before election day for electors who are inmates of Ottawa Detention Centre, Toronto East Detention Centre, Toronto South Detention Centre, Collins Bay (Kingston) and Warkworth Institution.

Handwritten signature of Greg Essensa in black ink.

Greg Essensa
Chief Electoral Officer

Handwritten date 'Feb 26/27' in black ink.

Date