

UPCOMING RATIFICATION VOTE FAQ

July 24, 2026

Who is Simply Voting and Why Did We Choose Them?

Simply Voting is an independent, full-service provider of secure, hosted online elections. They are **100% Canadian-made, owned, and operated**, with headquarters in Montreal and all data servers strictly located within Canada.

Key Benefits:

- **Legal & Security Compliance:** The platform provides a technical infrastructure designed specifically to satisfy strict Canadian legal, union, and corporate bylaws.
- **Strict Canadian Data Residency:** All member information stays securely within Canada and never crosses international borders. This keeps our data fully protected under Canadian privacy laws (PIPEDA)
- **Integrity of the Process:** Every interaction with the system is logged including all changes the data. This information is then easily able to be audited.

Because of this, Simply Voting is widely recognized and trusted across the country by municipal governments, crown corporations, and many unions. Local 111 has successfully used it in past elections.

How do I know if I'm registered to Vote?

Two **"Test Email Ballots"** are being sent using the email provided to the company by each member.

First one on Friday, July 24th

Second one on Wednesday, July 29th

You must follow the instructions in the email to verify your email address.

Each of these "Test Email Ballots" and the actual ratification ballot will contain a different randomly generated password. This password is generated by Simply Voting and is not visible to anyone else.

⚠ DO NOT FORWARD YOUR BALLOT EMAIL. It contains your private login credentials. If forwarded, someone can steal your vote and **permanently lock you out of the election**.
Credentials will not be reissued for compromised accounts.

Who is eligible to vote?

All members of Unifor Locals 2200 and 111 who are currently employed by CMBC. This included members on STD and LTD and approved LOA. Retirees are not eligible and will not receive a test or other ballot.

How did Simply Voting get my email?

Union Support Staff worked with the CMBC payroll department to create a joint list of all current Local 111 & 2200 Members. This is a new list, ensuring it is completely up to date and only contains eligible voters. They then uploaded that joint list to the Local Simply Voting account. This is a different list than the one used to send notices or regular emails. They will verify any registrations up to the cut-off date and add them to the list.

My credentials were sent to my Coast Mountain Bus email, why?

As this is a new list created from employer data to maintain integrity, some people only had a CMBC email on file. The Employer is still not able to see any of your voting info. If you would like to change the email address on the voting list please phone the support staff as found at the end of this document and leave a voicemail if you cannot get through to support staff.

How do I ensure Simply Voting emails end up in my inbox?

To receive Simply Voting emails in your email inbox, add vote@simplyvoting.com to your list of safe senders (whitelist). Check your email providers' website for instructions on how to add emails to your safe sender list.

What if I unsubscribed to Simply Voting?

Resubscribe by sending an email message to resubscribe@simplyvoting.com. The email can be blank and the system will re-subscribe you automatically if you are eligible to be on the voter list.

What if I don't receive the first "Test Ballot Email" on Friday, July 24th?

That means your email wasn't available so please go to:

<https://form.jotform.com/261906756608265>

and enter your information, it will then be confirmed by the Support Staff before being added to your profile in Simply Voting.

When is the deadline to register?

Friday, July 31st

I didn't receive any of the "Test Email Ballots," and missed the deadline, what do I do?

To maintain security and integrity of the process, we are not accepting registration after the deadline.

Will paper ballots be available?

No, paper ballots will not be available.

Voting has started and I didn't get my electronic ballot. What do I do?

Please check your junk/spam folders to see if the email is there.

Can I change my vote after submitting my electronic ballot?

No, you cannot. Once you've cast your ballot the system will mark you voted.

How do I know if my vote went through?

A "Voters Confirmation" email will be sent to your inbox.

Can the union, company, system administrator, or clerk, see how I voted?

No – your ballot is encrypted and secured. Simply Voting marks you as "VOTED" and that's it.

Where can I vote from?

Any internet connected device, anywhere in the world. Using a VPN may cause your vote to be flagged as malicious so be aware.

I'm still under probation – am I risking my employment by voting?

Absolutely not – participating in union democracy is a legally protected right.

What happens if I don't vote?

If you do not cast an electronic ballot, then your vote will not be counted.

I still have questions!

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