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Jersey's Official Voting Guide

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THE
DATE**
22 JUNE '22



ELECTIONS ARE CHANGING

On 22 June 2022, you will get to vote for the people who you want to represent your views for the next four years in the States Assembly - Jersey's elected parliament.

Find out how to vote and how recent changes to the voting system will affect you.



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Your Island, Your Vote

The States Assembly makes decisions that affect all our lives. From how much tax we pay, to how we protect Jersey's beautiful natural environment; from how we fund our schools, to how we provide healthcare for everyone.

Voting is a quick and easy way to do your part in making sure that the people elected to the States Assembly represent everyone in Jersey, no matter where you live, how old you are, or what your background is.

The 2022 General Election will see a number of changes:

What IS changing for voters?	What that means for you
✓ The role of Senator will no longer exist	Districts have been created to provide more even distribution of elected roles across the Island's population. Find out which Electoral District you are in by visiting Vote.je/districtfinder
✓ The number of Deputies will increase from 29 to 37	
✓ You'll vote for your Deputies in one of nine new Electoral Districts	
✓ No one will be elected without a vote	You will be able to vote for 'None of the Above' if there are the same number or fewer candidates than the number of positions available
✓ You can choose to vote by post or in person	You can vote before the election either by post or pre-poll, or attend a polling station on election day
What is NOT changing?	
≡ The role of Connétable (or Constable) remains unchanged in each of the 12 Parishes	
≡ There will still be 49 States Members, each with an equal vote in debates about the future of Jersey	
≡ All Members will be elected to their positions for four years	
≡ The minimum voting age remains at 16	

Voting made easy

Can I vote?

YES, if you:

- ✓ Will be aged 16 or over on 22 June 2022; AND
- ✓ Have lived in Jersey for at least two years up to 22 June 2022; OR
- ✓ Have lived in Jersey for the six months up to 22 June 2022, plus a previous period that totals five years.

How will I know who to vote for?

All the election candidates will be announced online and in the media on Wednesday 18 May.

A booklet containing the manifestos – a summary of candidates' views and commitments – will be posted to every household and published on **Vote.je** along with short videos of each candidate.

Hustings are events where you can put questions to the candidates in your Parish and District about the issues you care about and will take place in the weeks before election day.

What topics would you like candidates to address?

Full details of all hustings events will be published on **Vote.je** closer to the elections. Meanwhile, you can let us know the topics you would like to see discussed at hustings.

- What do you care about?
- What needs to be changed?
- What needs to be preserved?



Let us know at **Vote.je/hustings** or by scanning the QR code.

How do I vote?

Firstly, you need to register.

You can do this:

- 🌐 Online: visit **Vote.je/register**
- ✉ By post: simply return the registration form sent to you by your Parish
- 👤 In person: visit your Parish Hall

Once you've registered, you're ready to vote. There are three ways you can vote in the 2022 General Election:

- By postal vote
- In person at pre-poll
- At your local polling station on 22 June

We'll be providing more information about postal voting and pre-poll on **Vote.je**.

YOUR ELECTION '22 CHECKLIST

- Find out which new Electoral District you live in by visiting **Vote.je/districtfinder**
- Register to vote by 12pm on 10 May
- Choose the candidates you want to represent you
- VOTE! Either by post, pre-poll or on Election Day: **22 June 2022**

Standing for election

By standing for election, you can make a real difference to Jersey now, and in the future.

You don't need to come from a particular background, have certain qualifications, or specific experience. States Members make decisions that affect everyone and it's vital that the States Assembly reflects the full diversity of Islanders.

Can I stand for election?

To stand for election as a States Member you simply need to:	Constable	Deputy
Be at least 18 years old	✓	✓
Be a British Citizen	✓	✓
Have been resident in Jersey for at least two years before the election OR resident in Jersey six months before the election, and a total of 5 years previously	✓	✓
Live in the Parish or District you want to represent	✓	

How do I stand for election?

Nominations will be open between 11-13 May 2022. You will need a proposer and nine other supporters to nominate you, who all need to be entitled to vote in the Electoral District in which you're seeking to be elected. There are some additional changes to the election process that will affect candidates.

What IS changing for candidates?

- ✓ The nomination process is changing. Nominations will be published on **Vote.je** after the nomination deadline, rather than being announced immediately. This is to allow time for nomination papers to be checked and any issues to be resolved.
- ✓ The amount of money candidates can spend on their campaign has increased. The campaign spending period for the General Election begins on 22 February 2022, so candidates will need to keep accurate records from that date. Full details can be found on **Vote.je**.

If you are considering standing for election, find out more by visiting **Vote.je**

Image of the States Chamber, courtesy of Ian Rolls