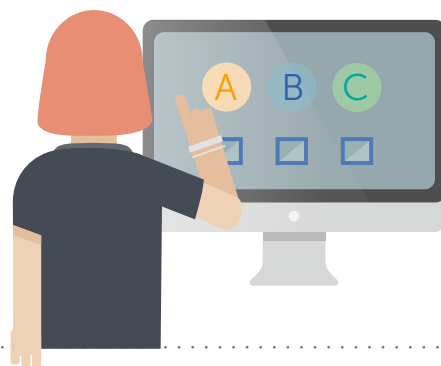


What to Consider When Introducing Online Voting

Introducing online voting as the sole or as a complimentary voting channel impacts the planning and execution of an election. Here are the processes that need to be evaluated and updated in regard to the introduction of online voting:



Online Voting Procurement

Review Policies & Procedures



DESCRIPTION

Reviewing the following policies and procedures to ensure that they accommodate the use of online voting technology, and selecting an online voting provider with a suitable solution for the municipality well before the election.

REQUIREMENTS FOR OLV

Beyond alterations to the following processes, the municipality's by-laws must also allow for the use of an online voting channel, and a budget will need to be allocated to procure a solution.

Election Preparation

Voters List Management



DESCRIPTION

Managing the complete and updated Voters List (VL) based on the Preliminary List of Electors (PLoE) received from MPAC, and making it available in a timely manner to authorised stakeholders.

REQUIREMENTS FOR OLV

The Voters' List must be formatted for the OLV Platform before the Voting period. If paper voting is also in place, the Voters' List needs to be updated with the voters who have already voted online before election day.

Nomination Management



DESCRIPTION

Obtaining and managing the definitive list of candidates for each election.

REQUIREMENTS FOR OLV

Candidates' information and related files must be formatted for the OLV Platform before the Voting period.

Candidate Support



DESCRIPTION

Facilitating the nominated candidates' campaigns and voter mobilisation efforts.

REQUIREMENTS FOR OLV

If the nominated candidates have the right to track who has voted, then they will need access to the updated Voters' List with potential online voters.

Voters Support



DESCRIPTION

Assisting voters on various processes, including personal data verification or updates and online voting credential delivery, through the Voter Help Centre (VHC).

REQUIREMENTS FOR OLV

Issuing and re-issuing voters' credentials to vote online. Assistance if public online voting terminals are in place.

Communication Management



DESCRIPTION

Managing communications from the municipality to voters and candidates throughout the electoral process.

REQUIREMENTS FOR OLV

Update existing notices to include relevant information to online voting.

Voting Period

Hybrid Voting



DESCRIPTION

Activities related to in-person voting, postal voting, or both in the event a hybrid election with online voting.

REQUIREMENTS FOR OLV

Indirect impacts on online voting related to logistics and the procurement paper and in-person voting resources.

Counting



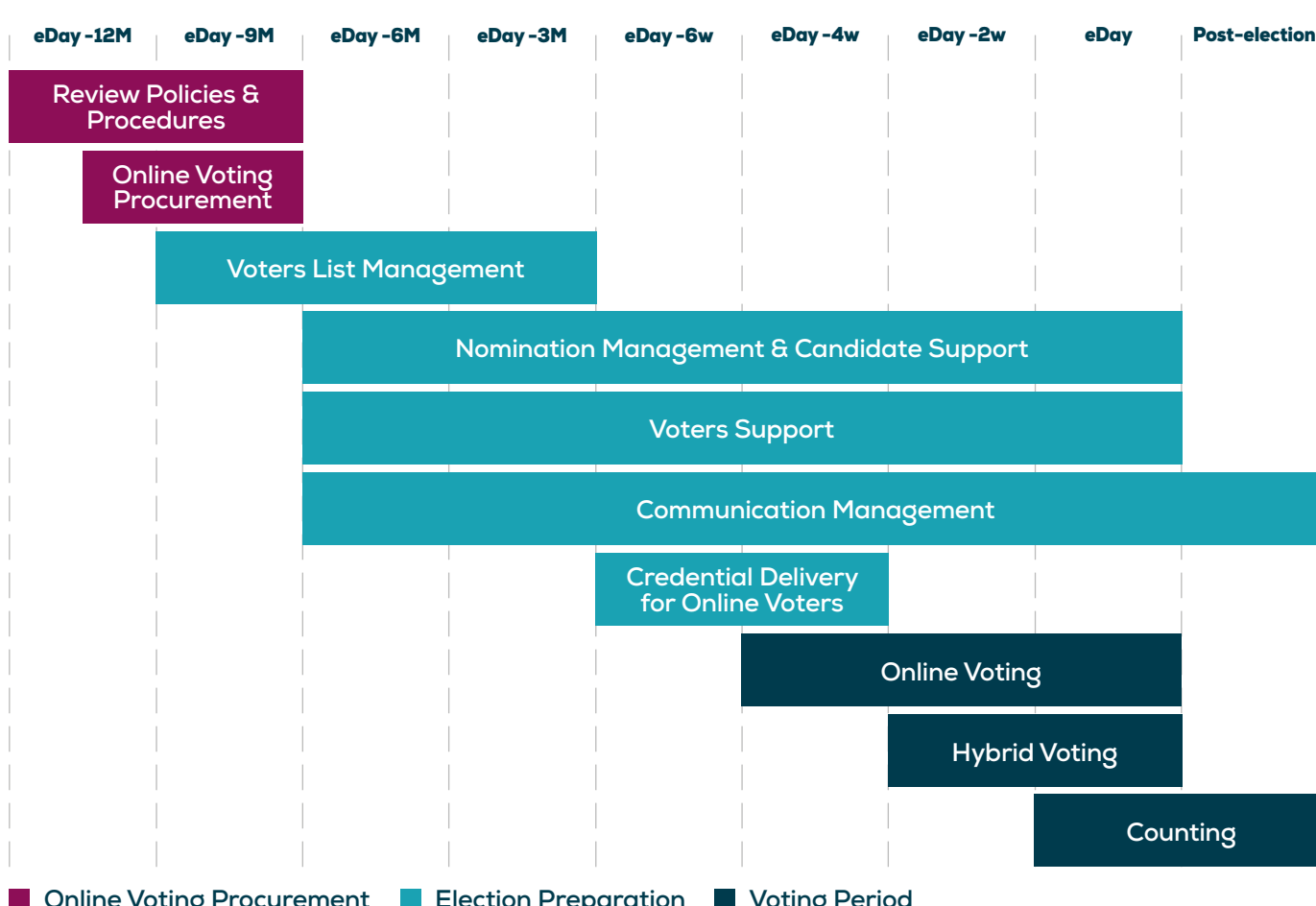
DESCRIPTION

Activities from the end of the voting period until the publishing of results reports.

REQUIREMENTS FOR OLV

The counting of online votes occurs at a municipal level under the supervision of the online voting board.

The timeline of an online voting election



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