

## Introduction

This information brochure has been specifically produced to inform the public on the Namibian electoral processes and to provide general information with regard to regional council and local authority elections. All information correct at time of print.

## Mandate Of ECN

The Electoral Act, (Act No.5 of 2014) mandates the Electoral Commission of Namibia to organize, direct, supervise, manage and control the conduct of elections and referenda in a free, fair, independent credible, transparent and impartial manner as well as to strengthen constitutional democracy and to promote democratic electoral and referenda processes.

### ❖ REGIONAL COUNCIL ELECTION

Regional Councils consist of 1 member elected from each constituency by secret ballot. Every duly registered political party has the right to nominate a candidate to contest in order to be elected as a councilor for the constituency in which he/she resides. Individuals have also the right to contest as independent candidates and be elected as a councilor for their constituency.

### ❖ LOCAL AUTHORITY ELECTION

Members to the local authority are elected by direct and secret ballot from the party list prepared by the contesting political parties, associations and organizations. Local authority elections are held to elect councilors of a specific local authority area. Subsequently, a local authority election is held when a new town or village is proclaimed.

## Voting During Local Authority And Regional

### Council Elections

For the Regional Councils and Local Authorities' elections, you must be in your constituency or local authority area where you were registered as a voter in order to vote.

### Namibian electoral systems

An electoral system covers the legal and practical realities of voter registration and election administration, as well as the

precise rules and the method used to translate votes for candidates and/or parties in an election into an allocation of seats.

- ❖ The majoritarian or first-past-the-post electoral system is used during the regional councils' election. This system dictates that the candidate with the most votes wins the seat.
- ❖ The proportional representation electoral system is used for elections for members of the local authorities. In this system every political party/association/organisation intending to contest provides a list of its nominated candidates. Seats are allocated according to the number of votes received.

## Registration Of Voters

Registration of voters in Namibia is a voluntary exercise and is a process by which Namibian citizens of voting age register to have his/her name included in the voters' register during the determined period of registration to participate in the elections.

## Requirements To Register As A Voter

Any person who wishes to register as a voter must meet the following requirements:

- (a) he/she must be able to identify him/herself
- (b) he/she must be 18 years and older
- (c) he/she must be a Namibian citizen
- (d) he/she must be a resident in a local authority area for 12 consecutive months and longer (applicable on local authority elections only)

## Constituencies And Local Authorities In Namibia

REGION	CONSTITUENCY	LOCAL AUTHORITY
ZAMBEZI	Kabbe Katima Mulilo Rural Katima Mulilo Urban Kongola Linyanti Sibinda Judea Lyaboloma Kabbe South	Katima Mulilo
ERONGO	Bukalo Arandis Dâures Karibib Omaruru	

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HARDAP	Swakopmund Walvis Bay Rural Walvis Bay Urban Henties Bay Karibib Omaruru Usakos Walvis Bay Swakopmund Gibeon Mariental Rural Mariental Urban Rehoboth Rural Rehoboth East Urban Rehoboth West Urban	Arandis
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KAVANGO WEST	Kapako Mpungu Musese Ncuncuni Mankumpi Ncamangoro Nkurenkuru Tondoro	Nkurenkuru
KAVANGO EAST	Mashare Mukwe Ndiyona Rundu Rural East Rundu Rural West Rundu Urban Ndonga Linena Divundu	Rundu
KHOMAS	John Pandeni Katutura Central Katutura East Khomasdal North Moses IGaroëb Samora Machel	

KUNENE Tobias Hainyeko  
Windhoek West  
Windhoek East  
Windhoek Rural  
Epupa  
Kamanjab  
Khorixas  
Opuwo  
Opuwo Rural  
Outjo  
Sesfontein  
Khorixas  
Opuwo  
Outjo  
OHANGWENA Eenhana  
Endola  
Engela  
Epembe  
Ohangwena  
Okongo  
Omundaungilo  
Ondobe  
Ongenga  
Oshikango  
Oshikunde  
Helao Nafidi  
OMAHEKE Okongo  
Aminuis  
Epukiro  
Gobabis  
Kalahari  
Otjinene  
Okarukambe  
Steinhausen  
Leonardville  
Witvlei  
OMUSATI Otjinene  
Anamulenge  
Elim  
Etayi  
Ogongo  
Okahao  
Okalongo  
Onesi  
Oshikuku  
Otamanzi  
Outapi  
Ruacana  
Tsandi  
Oshikuku

Windhoek

Kamanjab

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Gobabis

Okahao

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Ondangwa  
Ongwediva  
Oshakati East  
Oshakati West  
Uukwiyu  
Uuvudhiya  
Ondangwa Urban  
Ongwediva  
Oshakati  
Eengodi  
Guinas  
Okankolo  
Olukonda  
Omuntele  
Omuthiyagwiipundi  
Onayena  
Oniipa  
Onyaanya  
Tsumeb  
Nehale lyaMpingana  
Tsumeb  
Grootfontein  
Okahandja  
Okakarara  
Omatako  
Otavi  
Otjiwarongo  
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