

Who may vote for the Island Council Elections?

To be eligible to vote in this election, you must be a resident of the public entity (the island) and registered in the Base Registry Persons BES on nomination day (February 4th, 2019) and must be 18 years of age or older on election day (March 20th, 2019). Residents who are not Dutch must meet the following requirements to be eligible to vote:

a. They must legally reside in the Netherlands based on Article 3 or Article 6 of the Law of admission and expulsion BES or based on a treaty between an international organization and the State of the Netherlands concerning the headquarters of this organization in the Netherlands,

and

b. They must have been a resident of the Netherlands for a continuous period of at least five years immediately preceding nomination day. Furthermore, during that period they must have maintained a right of residence as referred to in paragraph a., or have lawfully resided in the Netherlands based on Article 8, under **a.**, **b.**, **c.**, **d.**, **e.** or **f.**, of the Aliens Act 2000.

For both Dutch and Non-Dutch it is required that they are not excluded of their voting rights.

The public entity determines an individual's right to vote from the basic administration of the civil registry. If you are registered in this registry and meet the above criteria, you will automatically be sent an invitation (voting pass) for the election. You may contact the Executive Council to check whether you are registered as a voter. If this is not the case and in your opinion you do meet the above criteria, you can submit a request for review of the registration as a voter, where you must provide evidence that you meet the requirements.