

How to vote... Where to vote... All you need to know



When is the election?

Wednesday 15th October 2008 is the date for the election for Senators and also for the elections for the Connétable of St Clement, the Connétable of St Lawrence, the Connétable of St Mary and the Connétable of St Peter.

There will also be a Referendum on the adoption of Central European Time on the same day.

How can the public find out if they are registered?

Any person who wishes to check whether their name is included on the Electoral Register for one or more of the elections/referendum should contact the Parish in which they are resident. Parish Hall contact details are listed in the 2008 Jersey Telephone Directory (pages 10-13).

Electoral information is on the Parish website www.parish.gov.je (click on any Parish and then select ' Electoral Information' from left hand menu).

Where do I vote?

You will vote on **Wednesday 15th October 2008** at the polling station for the electoral district where you are registered. **Polling stations are open from 8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.** as follows –

Vote at the Parish/Public Hall for electors of:

ST. CLEMENT - GROUVILLE - ST. JOHN – ST. LAWRENCE –

ST. MARTIN - ST. MARY – ST. OUEN - ST. PETER - TRINITY - .

ST. BRELADE

Vote at Parish Hall, St Aubin - for electors of the Vingtaine de Noirmont and the Vingtaine du Coin;

Vote at Communicare Centre, Les Quennevais - for electors of the Vingtaine des Quennevais and the Vingtaine de la Moye.

ST. SAVIOUR - **Vote at Parish Hall, St Saviour** – for electors of the Vingtaines of Maufant, Sous la Hougue, Pigneaux and Sous l'Eglise

Vote at Georgetown Methodist Church Hall, St Saviour – for the electors of the Vingtaines of Grande Longueville and Petite Longueville.

ST. HELIER -

Electors of Number 1 District (Haut and Bas de la Ville), Vote at **ST. JAMES CENTRE, ST. JAMES STREET,**

Electors of Number 2 District (Haut and Bas du Mont au Pretre), Vote at
SPRINGFIELD HALL, SPRINGFIELD ROAD

Electors of Number 3 District (Rouge Bouillon, Mont a l'Abbe and Mont Cochon),
EITHER

vote at **FIRST TOWER SCHOOL, ST. AUBIN'S ROAD** if they live in the following
streets/roads: -

Bellozanne Avenue	La Ruelle Vaucluse	St. Andrew's Road
Bellozanne Road	Millbrook Lane	St. Aubin's Road
Bellozanne Valley	Mont Cochon	Tower Road
Clos St. Andre	Old Mont Cochon Hill	Victoria Avenue
Fern Valley	Paris Lane	Waterworks Valley
Hansford Lane	Rue Fliquet (Thorn Hill)	West Hill
La Route es Nouaux	Rue de Trachy	

OR

vote at **ROUGE BOUILLON SCHOOL, BRIGHTON ROAD** if they live at any
other address in the District.

Is it possible to vote by post ?

A person who is entitled to vote at a public election or referendum can do so before polling day if that person:

Is likely to be out of the Island during the hours of polling (between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.); or has commitments, or a disability, that will prevent him or her from attending personally at a polling station on polling day.

Application for postal or pre-poll voting must be made to the Postal & Pre-Poll Voting Officer, Judicial Greffe, Royal Court House, Royal Square, St Helier, JE1 1JG. **The closing date for applications for a postal vote is noon on Friday 10 October 2008. The closing date for applications for a pre-poll vote is 5.15 p.m. on Monday 13 October 2008.** Application forms are available from the Judicial Greffe, Parish Halls and Jersey Library, and may be downloaded from www.parish.gov.je (click on 'Application Forms') and www.judicialgreffe.gov.je.

What happens in the polling stations?

Electors should ensure they proceed to the correct Polling Station (see above). The Electoral Register is drawn up in surname order and at the poll Electors may be requested to proceed to tables according to the alphabetical order of their surname.

Each elector will be asked for his/her name and address and their name will be marked on the Electoral Register. Electors should bring with them some form of identification as this may be requested before they are allowed to vote.

The elector will be given a ballot paper for the election(s) and/or referendum in which they are entitled to vote. The elector will take this into a polling booth and use the pencil provided to mark their votes on the ballot papers. Each polling booth contains a notice giving full instructions. A vote is recorded by making a cross in the blank square opposite the name of each candidate of the voter's choice.

In the election for Senators, electors may vote for up to 6 of the 21 candidates (this ballot paper will be white).

In the election for Connétable, electors may only vote for one candidate (this ballot paper will be blue).

In the Referendum, electors must choose 'yes' or 'no' to the question " Do you think that Jersey should adopt Central European Time?" (this ballot paper will be yellow).

The voter then folds the ballot papers and places it in the appropriate ballot box. There will be one ballot box for the election for Senators and Connétable, and another ballot box for the Referendum. The elector must immediately leave the polling station.

The candidates and their representatives may stand outside the polling station but may not engage a voter in conversation inside a polling station. The vote is by secret ballot. The votes are counted at the close of the poll and the results are announced by the Autorisé who is responsible for ensuring that the election(s) and referendum are conducted in accordance with the Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002.