

VOTING ABROAD IN THE 2019 NATIONAL ELECTION

ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF SOUTH AFRICA

Date of this Communique: 15 March 2019

Voting abroad is scheduled for Saturday 27 April 2019 from 7:00 to 19:00 at embassies, high commissions and consuls of the RSA.

The date of voting abroad is not on the same date as voting inside of the Republic of South Africa on 8 May 2019.

Between 26 February 2019 and 13 March 2019, and by way of submission of a VEC10 notification, registered voters who intend to vote abroad were required to notify the CEO of the IEC of their intention to vote abroad, and at which mission they intend to vote abroad. The VEC10 notification template was available on www.elections.org.za **but is now closed for voting in the national election of 2019.**

To check whether you are eligible to vote abroad in the 2019 national election, go to www.elections.org.za/IECOnline/Check-My-VEC-10-Notification-Status-Q1

Also, when you submitted your VEC10 form you should have received a SMS or email notifying you of the outcome of your application to vote abroad.

On voting day abroad on Saturday 27 April 2019 from 7:00 to 19:00, voters will need to present themselves in person (voting cannot take place through a proxy or remotely) at the same embassy, high commission or consul indicated in their VEC10 submission, and take with them to vote their **South African identity document** (either green barcoded ID book, smart ID card, or valid temporary ID certificate) **AND** their **valid South African passport**. Please note that only an original identity document/smart card/TIC, and passport are permitted – and not copies.