

SOME RESIDENTS RECEIVE DUPLICATE VOTER LETTERS

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Following some duplicate voter cards received in mail by Halton Hills residents, the town reminds individuals can legally vote only once.

A change in the voter data system — affecting municipalities across the province — has resulted in duplications, meaning some residents have received two voter notification letters with slight variations on their name, shared a town release.

Residents with duplicate voter cards are asked to keep both, as data from one of the letters will make them eligible to vote.

Municipalities receive voter data from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC). The



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town then uses VoterView platform to collate data and review duplicate electors identified by the system.

A VoterView representative advised a change in the system meant two electors at the same address with the same date of birth would not appear in the town's duplicates list — a change made to exclude

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twins from the duplicate record check.

The result, however, has meant a significant number of duplicates have gone undetected.

The town has since generated another enhanced duplication report and staff are using it as the basis to manually review voter lists and remove duplications.

Anyone who may have received voter correspondence for previous occupants of their home must mark the envelope "moved" and return to the mail, says a town release. The letters will be redirected to the town hall and corrected in the voter list.

Residents who require a change to the voter notification information — including name, school support or address — will need to complete a form in-person at the town hall.

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