

**Nunavut Liquor
and Cannabis
Commission**

*Supporting the
responsible use of
alcohol in Nunavut*



Government of Nunavut
Department of Finance

Where and when to vote

- **Advance Poll:**

Hamlet Council Chambers
Monday, January 28, 2019
10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- **Regular Vote:**

Hamlet Council Chambers
Monday, February 4, 2019
10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Who can vote:

- ✓ Canadian citizen;
- ✓ 19 years or older on February 4, 2019; AND
- ✓ Sanikiluaq resident for at least one year on February 4, 2019.

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Plebiscites under the Liquor Act

Sanikiluaq

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Sanikiluaq Liquor Plebiscite 2019

What is a liquor plebiscite?

- ✓ Community members decide if they want to change the laws that control alcohol in their community.
- ✓ A secret ballot asks a question about community liquor laws.
- ✓ Eligible voters mark the secret ballot 'YES' or 'NO'.
- ✓ The laws change if 60% or more vote 'YES'.

What do Sanikiluaq liquor laws say right NOW?

- ✓ The community has a liquor Prohibition. No person shall purchase, sell, transport or possess liquor within the prohibited area.

Ballot Question

Are you in favour of replacing the current prohibition system in the Hamlet of Sanikiluaq and the rest of the Belcher Islands with a restricted quantities system? In addition to the general liquor laws of Nunavut, the restricted quantities system would limit the amount of liquor that a person can purchase in or import into the community every 14 days to

- a) one litre of spirits;
- b) four litres of wine; and
- c) 18 litres of beer.

YES NO

YES means you want the law to change.

NO means you want the law to stay the same.

Explanation of Question

If 60% or more of the votes cast under the question are "YES":

1. The current system of liquor prohibition in the Hamlet of Sanikiluaq and the rest of the Belcher Islands will be abolished, and the *Belcher Islands Liquor Prohibition Regulations, R.R.N.W.T. 1990,c.L-12*, will be repealed.
2. A restricted quantities system will be established in the Hamlet of Sanikiluaq and the rest of the Belcher Islands, which would limit the amount of liquor that a person can purchase or import every 14 days to
 - (a) one litre of spirits;
 - (b) four litres of wine; and
 - (c) 18 litres of beer.
3. The restricted quantities system will apply to all purchases and imports, including orders and personal imports.
4. Other than this restriction on quantities, there will be no other restrictions on liquor in the Hamlet of Sanikiluaq and the rest of the Belcher Islands, except for the general liquor laws that apply in Nunavut.

If more than 40% of the votes cast under the question are "NO":

The current prohibition system that prohibits the purchase, sale, transport and possession of liquor in the Hamlet of Sanikiluaq and the rest of the Belcher Islands will continue.