ELECTIONS NOVA SCOTIA

Elections Nova Scotia Circular 1302

Election Expenses

The Elections Act defines Election Expenses in Section 166(i) and these expenses are referred to in the calculation of the Candidate Maximum (s. 260) and the Calculation of payment (s. 267).

Does the Candidate Maximum Expense limit apply to pre-writ expenditures?

No, if a candidate incurs expenses prior to the writ, they are not included.

Examples include expenses other than those for advertising material, incurred before the call of an election. This might include:
ÅBanking services charges
ÅPre-writ refreshments for rallies, õmeet and greetòfunctions
ÅAdvertising consumed prior to the writ ÅRent and office expenses paid for period prior to the writ

Does the Candidate Maximum Expense limit apply to post-writ expenditures?

No, if a candidate incurs expenses after the writ period, they are not included.
Examples include expenses other than those for advertising material, incurred before the call of an election. This might include:
ÅPost-election celebrations
ÅPost-election advertising
ÅClose-out costs 8 day after election day and beyond

What other costs are not included in the Candidate Maximum Expense?

Examples of costs that may be incurred during a writ period that are not included as election expenses, and are therefore not subject to the cap are:
ÅCandidate personal expenses that exceed $1,000
ÅCandidate transportation costs
ÅAlcohol purchases

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