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14 th to 18th of June



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FINISH PRESENTATION OF MUNICIPAL ELECTORAL COUNCILS (MEC) SHORTLISTS

The Supreme Electoral Council communicates that, in accordance with that established in Article 16 of the Electoral Law and the activity N°15 of the electoral calendar, the period established for the presentation of shortlists by the political parties and alliances of political parties, for the conformation of the Municipal Electoral Councils, closed on the 17th of June at 5 pm.

In conformity with the Electoral Calendar, all Departmental and Regional Electoral Councils must meet to select and name citizens who will integrate the municipal electoral councils on the 22nd of June.





Each one of the Municipal Electoral Councils must consist of one male or female president plus two members, each with their respective alternates. This implies the appointment to these posts of 918 citizens, of which 459 must be women, in accordance with the electoral reforms recently approved to law 331.

The Electoral Calendar also establishes that the elected members of the Municipals Electoral Councils will take up their posts on the 35th of June.

SEC STARTS HANDING OUT CREDENTIALS TO POLITICAL PARTIES AND ALLIANCES

This week, the Nicaraguan Supreme Electoral Council started handing credentials to the legal representatives of the political parties and alliances participating in the general election to be held in the 7th of November 2021, thereby fulfilling that stipulated in the political constitution of the Republic of Nicaragua and electoral law 331.





On the 14th of June last, the representatives to the following political parties and alliances were legally accredited:



Supreme Electoral Council continues with the process of delivery of credentials for the parties



The SEC continues working to guarantee an orderly, peaceful, free and transparent, electoral process, complying under the law, which each one of the activities established in the Electoral Calendar.



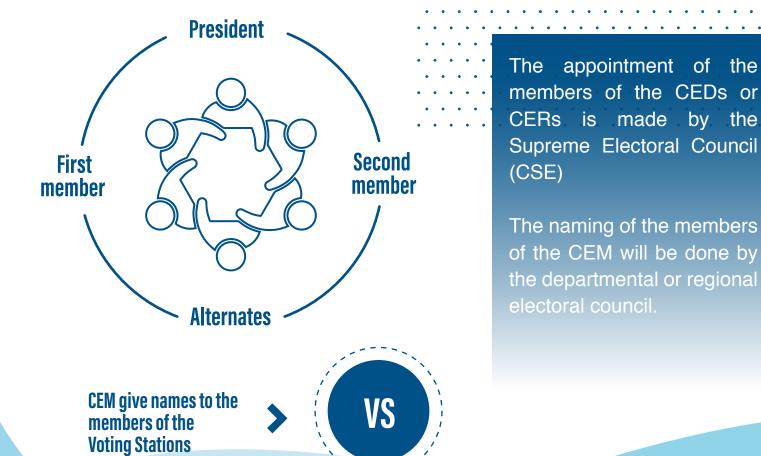
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The Departmental, Regional (CED / CER) and Municipal **Electoral Councils (CEM) organize, administer and** conduct the electoral process.

With the operation of these structures, it is guaranteed that the vote is cut off, and the will of the citizens must be respected.

> CED / CER and CEM are formed by a president and two members, and with the respective alternates





PRINCIPAL FUNCTIONS OF THE DEC/REC



To appoint and swear in the Municipal Electoral Councils



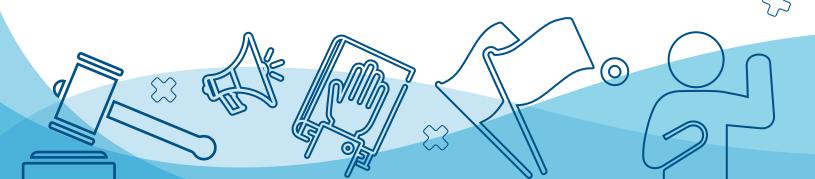
Accredit the MEC invigilators for the Political Parties and Alliances of Parties, t



Undertake and complete the electoral processes in accordance with that established by the law.



Provide the MEC with the voting ballots, register of proceedings, documents, materials required for the electoral process.





PRINCIPAL FUNCTIONS OF THE MEC



To appoint and put in place the members of the Polling Station Boards (PSB)



Receive from the DEC or REC all the electoral material pertaining to the PSB



Communicate the electoral results and voter tally sheets to the SEC in the presence of accredited invigilators



Admit, process and resolve the petitions, claims, complaints and appeals filed with the authority by the duly accredited invigilator for each political organization participating in the election, as well as those filed with the PSB, in accordance with that established in the Electoral Law





Formation of structures

Municipal Electoral Councils in accordance with the Electoral Calendar





07th to the 17th of June 2021

Presentation of shortlists of appointees to the MEC.



22nd of June 2021

Appointment of members of the MEC.



25th of June 2021

Taking of possession by the members of MEC





ID registration in Nicaragua is a right, which is completely free for those registering for the first time, in accordance with that established by law N°152, Citizens Identification Law.

All citizens may present themselves at any ID registration office throughout the country, to register personally for the ID.





Requirements

for underaged persons (16-17 years)



Birth Certificate. This document is emitted by the Municipal Civil Register, located in every town hall in the country, or by the Central Register of Personas (CRP).



Photocopy of parent's IDs. (Or that of any relative, or person who holds parental authority if not available).

Official Document (original and copy, at least two):



National or Foreign Passport with personal details page and date of entry stamp to the country).



Certificate of studies (Report card or grade certificates with the code for the study center or student if extended after 2015).



Release order, in the case of those deprived of liberty.

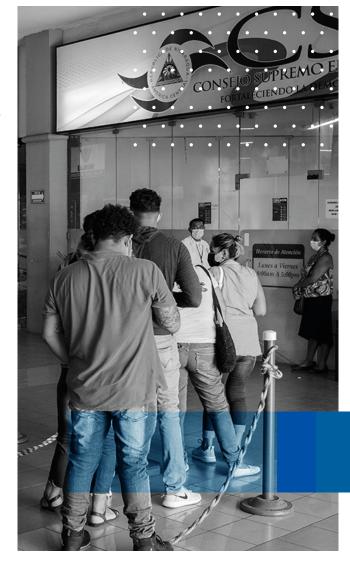


In the case of citizens having none of the evidential documents described above, they must present:

Two witnesses to testify as to identity and origin of the applicant (anyone who knows and can vouch for the applicant, and who must be older than them, and can show their ID).

For underaged applicants, they may apply at 15 years of age, the ID being given at 16 years of age, according to that decreed by the Citizen Identification Law 152.

The same requirements apply for adult citizens, who are declared civically invalid, in accordance with that established in the Nicaraguan Familia Code.





Requirements

for first time ID register for adults (over 18 years of age)

Birth Certificate. This document is emitted by the Municipal Civil Register, located in every town hall in the country, or by the Central Register of Personas (CRP).



Photocopy of parent's IDs. (Or that of any relative, or person who holds parental authority if not available).



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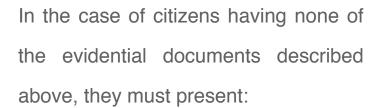




Diploma

INSS Card

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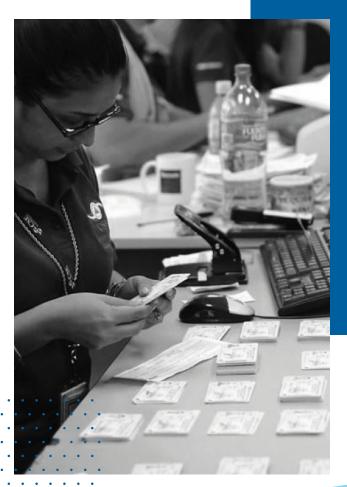


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From the 11th to the 17th of June 2021, the Supreme Electoral Council has continued with the extensive registration of IDs, dealing during this period with **19,046 registrations**, of which:

4896 arise from requests from people that have apply to register for their IDs for the first time; 7943 renewals and 6207 replacements of ID documents.

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 \Leftrightarrow 6,207 Replacements



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