



## Contest Rules

The City of Kawartha Lakes invites participation in the “Go Paperless Contest” (the “Contest”). The Contest is to encourage residents to sign-up for a PayReq account, which is an electronic payment system to pay their property tax or utility bills.

There will be twenty-five (25) winners of a one-hundred-dollar (\$100) rebate (in Canadian funds), which they can put towards their property tax or utility bills.

**NO PURCHASE OR PAYMENT IS NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN.  
A PURCHASE DOES NOT INCREASE THE CHANCES OF WINNING.**

1. Eligibility: This Contest is open ONLY to those who meet ALL the criteria below at the date of entry into the Contest. You must:

- have a PayReq account,
- be signed up for property tax OR utility paperless billing,
- be receiving bills from City of Kawartha Lakes,
- be a legal resident of the Province of Ontario, Canada, and
- be 19 years of age or older.

Employees of City of Kawartha Lakes, its affiliates, subsidiaries, advertising and promotion agencies, (collectively the “Employees”), are not eligible to participate in the Contest.

The Contest is subject to all applicable federal, provincial, and local laws and regulations. Void where prohibited by law.

Government Issued Photo Identification may be required to prove an individual’s age.

NOTE: Potential Winners of any contest are required to come to the City of Kawartha Lakes Lindsay Service Centre in Lindsay, Ontario, to complete and sign a **release form** prior to their potential win being official. At this time potential winners will have to provide government issued photo identification suitable to management in order to ensure compliance with the age restrictions. Failure to follow Contest Rules including but not limited to the age requirements may result in the disqualification of potential winners. In this case, another potential winner will be chosen to be awarded the prize in keeping with all rules and regulations.

2. Agreement to Rules: By participating, the Contestant (“You”) agree to be fully unconditionally bound by these Rules, and You represent and warrant that You meet the eligibility requirements. In addition, You agree to accept the decisions of City of Kawartha Lakes as final and binding as it relates to the content of this Contest.



3. Contest Period: Contest opens on March 13, 2026 and will close at 11:59pm on November 30, 2026.

4. How to Enter: Participants who have an active PayReq account and are signed up for property tax OR utility paperless billing will be automatically entered into the contest.

Participants must fulfill all Contest requirements, as specified in these Rules, to be eligible to win a prize. Participants that do not adhere to the rules or specifications may be disqualified at the sole discretion of the City of Kawartha Lakes.

Each property roll number or utility billing account signed up for Payreq is eligible for ONE contest entry. You must provide the information requested. You may not enter more times than indicated by using multiple email addresses, identities, or devices in an attempt to circumvent the rules. If You use fraudulent methods or otherwise attempt to circumvent the rules, your submission may be removed from eligibility at the sole discretion of the City of Kawartha Lakes.

5. Prizes: The Winner(s) of the contests (the “Winner”) will receive the prize as specified. Actual/appraised value may differ at time of prize award. The specifics of the prize shall be solely determined by the City of Kawartha Lakes. No cash or other prize substitution shall be permitted. The prize is non-transferable. Any and all prize-related expenses, including without limitation any and all federal, provincial, and/or local taxes, shall be the sole responsibility of Winner. No substitution of prize or transfer/assignment of prize to others or request for the cash equivalent by Winner is permitted.

Acceptance of prize constitutes permission for the City of Kawartha Lakes to use the Winner’s name, and entry for purposes of advertising and trade without further compensation, unless prohibited by law.

6. Odds: The odds of winning depend on the number of eligible entries received.

7. Winner Selection and Notification: Winners will be selected from the list of PayReq users by a random draw under the supervision of the City of Kawartha Lakes. Winner will be notified by email within two (2) days following selection of Winners. The City of Kawartha Lakes shall have no liability for Winner’s failure to receive notices due to spam, junk e-mail or other security settings or for Winner’s provision of incorrect or otherwise non-functioning contact information. If Winner cannot be contacted, is ineligible, fails to claim the prize within seven (7) days from the time award notification was sent, or fails to timely return a completed and executed declaration and release (release form) as required, the prize may be forfeited and an alternate Winner selected. Receipt by Winner of the prize offered in this contest is conditioned upon compliance with any and all federal, provincial, and local laws and regulations. **ANY VIOLATION OF THESE OFFICIAL RULES BY WINNER (AT City of Kawartha Lakes’ SOLE DISCRETION) WILL RESULT IN WINNER’S DISQUALIFICATION AS WINNER OF**



THE CONTEST, AND ALL PRIVILEGES AS WINNER WILL BE IMMEDIATELY TERMINATED.

9. Terms & Conditions: the City of Kawartha Lakes reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the contest should virus, bug, non-authorized human intervention, fraud, or other cause beyond the City of Kawartha Lakes control corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, or proper conduct of the contest. In such case, the City of Kawartha Lakes may select the Winner from all eligible entries received prior to and/or after (if appropriate) the action taken by the City of Kawartha Lakes. The City of Kawartha Lakes reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual who tampers or attempts to tamper with the entry process or the operation of the contest or website or violates these Terms & Conditions. The City of Kawartha Lakes has the right, in its sole discretion, to maintain the integrity of the contest, to void votes for any reason, including, but not limited to the use of bots, macros, scripts, or other technical means for entering. Any attempt by an entrant to deliberately damage any website or undermine the legitimate operation of the contest may be a violation of criminal and civil laws. Should such attempt be made, the City of Kawartha Lakes reserves the right to seek damages to the fullest extent permitted by law.

10. Limitation of Liability: By entering, You hereby agree to release and hold harmless the City of Kawartha Lakes and its subsidiaries, affiliates, advertising and promotion agencies, partners, representatives, agents, successors, assigns, employees, officers, and directors from any and all liability, illness, injury, death, loss, litigation, claim, or damage that may occur, directly or indirectly, (including actual legal fees and expenses), known or unknown, absolute or contingent, now or in the future arising from or related to, whether caused by negligence or not, from: (i) such entrant's participation in the contest and/or his/her/their acceptance, possession, use, or misuse of any prize or any portion thereof; (ii) technical failures of any kind, including but not limited to the malfunction of any computer, cable, network, hardware, or software, or other mechanical equipment; (iii) the unavailability or inaccessibility of any transmissions, telephone, or Internet service; (iv) unauthorized human intervention in any part of the entry process or the Promotion; (v) electronic or human error in the administration of the Promotion or the processing of entries.

11. Disputes: THIS CONTEST IS GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF CANADA AND ONTARIO, WITHOUT RESPECT TO CONFLICT OF LAW DOCTRINES. As a condition of participating in this contest, participant agrees that any and all disputes that cannot be resolved between the parties, and causes of action arising out of or connected with this contest, shall be resolved individually, without resort to any form of class action, exclusively before a court located in Ontario having jurisdiction. Further, in any such dispute, under no circumstances shall participant be permitted to obtain awards for, and hereby waives all rights to, punitive, incidental, or consequential damages, including



reasonable legal fees, other than participant's actual out-of-pocket expenses (i.e. costs associated with entering this contest). Participant further waives all rights to have damages multiplied or increased.

12. Privacy Policy and Personal Information Consent: Information submitted with an entry is subject to the Privacy Policy stated on the City of Kawartha Lakes website and the terms and conditions of these contest rules.

By entering this Contest, You consent to the City of Kawartha Lakes using and disclosing your personal information for the purposes of administering the Contest, any future contest, and for other purposes described in these Rules.

13. Sponsor: The Sponsor of the contest(s) is the City of Kawartha Lakes.

14. Facebook: The contest(s) hosted by the City of Kawartha Lakes is in no way sponsored, endorsed, administered by, or associated with Facebook.

15. Twitter: The contest(s) hosted by the City of Kawartha Lakes is in no way sponsored, endorsed, administered by, or associated with Twitter.

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