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1. Nominations

The nomination process for independent candidates and candidates endorsed by a registered political party is as follows:

Independent candidates must:

- be nominated by six electors for the electoral division the candidate wishes to contest (A total of ten nominators is suggested in case some are found not to be enrolled in that electoral division.)
- lodge a formal nomination on the approved [nomination form](#) signed by him/herself and the nominators
- provide a \$200 deposit in cash or a bank (not personal) cheque
- submit a candidate photo taken in the last six months.

Candidates endorsed by a registered political party must be nominated by the registered officer on the approved [nomination form](#).

Nominations must include an individual page for each candidate, be accompanied by \$200 for each endorsed candidate and include a photograph of each candidate taken in the last six months. More details are on the [nomination form](#).

Lodgement of nomination forms

Nominations can be received following the issue of the writ on Monday 8 August; however, can only be formally accepted from **Thursday 11 August 2016 up until 12:00 noon Friday 12 August 2016**.

Nominations lodged after this time **cannot** be accepted.

Nominations can be received during business hours at a Northern Territory Electoral Commission (NTEC) office or temporary office located at the following locations:

LOCATION	ADDRESS
Alice Springs	MyVote Central Yeperenye Centre Hartley St
Darwin	NTEC office TCG Building Level 3, 80 Mitchell St
Katherine	Katherine Central Shopping Centre Katherine Tce Shop 9 (next to Newsagent & Brumby's)
Tennant Creek	Address to be confirmed

Potential candidates are strongly encouraged to contact Wayne Harlock wayne.harlock@nt.gov.au or call 8999 7613 to make arrangements to confirm that the nomination form has been completed correctly.



2. Householder letter

More than 54,000 households have been sent information about the 2016 Territory election. The letters have been sent to households with a deliverable mail address where someone is enrolled.

The letter contains information about the close of roll deadline, locations of the closest early and election day voting centres, as well as information about the optional preferential voting system. A sample of the letter sent to voters enrolled in Casuarina is [attached](#).

Division	# of letters
Araluen	3390
Barkly	572
Blain	3050
Braitling	3568
Brennan	2840
Casuarina	2766
Daly	862
Drysdale	2881
Fannie Boy	3339

Division	# of letters
Fong Lim	2991
Goyder	2226
Johnston	2738
Karama	2770
Katherine	2509
Namatjira	372
Nelson	2024
Nhulunbuy	726
Nightcliff	3087

Division	# of letters
Port Darwin	3104
Sanderson	2892
Spillett	2845
Wanguri	2931
TOTAL	54,483

Alternative arrangements have been made for remote divisions. Voters located in these divisions will be sent information via email and SMS about the remote voting schedule and early voting centres located in Alice Springs, Katherine, Nhulunbuy and Tennant Creek. These will be sent from 15 August when early voting starts. Remote voting commences on Wednesday 17 August.

3. Optional preferential voting – information campaign

The voter information campaign about optional preferential voting has commenced with television and radio ads now running throughout the Territory. The ads inform voters that they **must** place the number '1' on the ballot paper in the box next to their preferred candidate and then **may** choose whether to mark further preferences. To view the ads go to the [NTEC's YouTube page](#).

4. Enrolment

Enrolment forms collected at the recent Federal election are being processed by the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC). Since the close of electoral roll on 23 May 2016, the NT roll has grown by 1561 with noticeable increased enrolment in remote divisions.

Division	23 May COR	29 July	
Arafura	4,707	4811	104
Araluen	5,679	5737	58
Arnhem	4,935	5079	144
Barkly	4,952	5096	144
Blain	5,508	5530	22
Braitling	5,767	5856	89
Brennan	5,165	5170	5
Casuarina	5,391	5431	40
Daly	5,137	5233	96

Division	23 May COR	29 July	
Drysdale	5,463	5458	-5
Fannie Bay	5,585	5590	5
Fong Lim	5,316	5328	12
Goyder	5,429	5506	77
Johnston	4,955	4964	9
Karama	5,188	5198	10
Katherine	5,071	5168	97
Namatjira	5,260	5339	79
Nelson	5,593	5648	55

Division	23 May COR	29 July	
Nhulunbuy	5,647	5806	159
Nightcliff	5,324	5333	9
Port Darwin	5,147	5172	25
Sanderson	5,489	5534	45
Spillett	4,961	5053	92
Stuart	5,074	5174	100
Wanguri	5,415	5505	90
TOTAL	132,158	133,719	1561

5. Remote area enrolment

A number of initiatives are underway to increase enrolment in remote areas. There are 30,000 eligible Territorians not on the electoral roll, many of which are remote Territorians. To assist remote voters to enrol or update their enrolment details the following initiatives have commenced:

- The Department of Local Government has agreed to include a session about enrolment when attending Local Authority meetings. Twenty such meetings are scheduled before the close of roll.
- Enrolment forms and enrolment promotion posters have been sent to over 70 remote-based organisations including Regional Councils, Homelands, Outstation Resource Centres and other organisations.
- The AEC, in partnership with the Department of Human Services (DHS), is continuing their remote enrolment program in various remote communities. Thirty nine communities are scheduled to be visited between 4 July and the close of roll on 8 August 2016.

6. Remote voting locations – 100 metre boundary maps

A number of the 100 metre boundary maps for [remote voting locations](#) have been produced and are available on the 2016 Territory election website. A total of 90 maps have been uploaded with the remaining remote location maps being added to the site progressively.

7. Enrol to vote iPad offer drawing to a close

The NTEC's enrol to vote campaign iPad promotion draws to a close on 31 July. Any Territorian who enrolls or updates their enrolment details online before 31 July goes into the draw to win an iPad mini4. The draw will take place on Thursday 4 August. Watch our enrol to vote ad on [YouTube](#).

8. Candidate disclosure form

All candidates for the 2016 Territory election, including those running as a candidate for a registered political party, are required to submit a [candidate disclosure return](#) by **12 December 2016**.

An [information sheet](#) on candidate political disclosure requirements is available on the [election website](#).

9. Show circuit

The NTEC has again been a part of the NT show circuit beginning with Fred's Pass in May, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek, Katherine and the recent Darwin show. As a result, 1367 Territorians had the opportunity to check their enrolment online, enrol to vote, and ask questions about the 2016 Territory election.



10. Election signage

The Department of Transport's election signage policy, that all candidates and political parties must adhere to when erecting election signage, is detailed below.

If you have any queries regarding this policy please contact:

Ian Smith, Manager, Operations & Traffic
Department of Infrastructure
08 8999 3449 | roadsdarwin.ntg.nt.gov.au

Other signage by-laws and policies can be found on the [election website](#).

Objective

To advise candidates on the current policy for the placement and removal of signs during and after an election.

Policy Principles

1. The placement of election signs on Northern Territory Government road reserves is not to compromise motorist, cyclist and pedestrian safety.
2. The placement of election signs on Northern Territory Government road reserves should not compromise the environmental values of the community.

Requirements

1. Signs can be placed no earlier than 6 weeks prior to an election.
2. Signs are to be removed within seven days after an election,
3. Signs are not to be larger than 1.5m²
4. Signs are not to compromise driver safety. This includes but is not restricted to the following:
 - no signs are to be placed so as to obscure the view of the drivers (driver sight lines to be in accordance with Australian Standards);
 - no signs to be located within 150 metres of an intersection;
 - no signs to be placed on median strips;
 - no signs that can be confused with a traffic control device;
 - no flashing or illuminated signs on road reserves; and
 - no permanent (solid) structures to be placed on road reserves.
5. Candidates placing signs should take into consideration environmental concerns. For example, alternatives to nailing signs onto trees should be found.

Signs in Breach of this Policy

Where signs are in breach of this policy, all efforts will be made to contact the responsible parties as soon as the Department becomes aware of the offending signs. The responsible parties will be asked to remove the signs within a particular timeframe.

If the signs have not been removed within the agreed upon timeframe, Departmental officers will remove the signs and recover costs from the responsible party.

Where the responsible party cannot be contacted, Departmental officers will remove the signs within a period of 48 hours or sooner if signs are compromising the safety of road users. Costs will be recovered from the responsible parties.



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