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### 1. Election day sausage sizzles

When considering the practical implementation of the 100 metre boundary at voting centres, the Commission has given thought to the conduct of fundraising activities within the 100 metre boundary, e.g. sausage sizzles and cake stalls. Recognising that these activities are a long held tradition on election day, the NTEC has decided that these can continue to take place within the 100 metre boundary as long as they are conducted apolitically.

To ensure that there are no breaches of the [NT Electoral Act](#), staff working at stalls must not wear t-shirts showing political material and must refrain from discussing all political matters. In addition, stall equipment such as barbeques and trailers etc., must not display any political advertising.

Staff working at these stalls must **not** be party or candidate workers – this includes former elected members or people associated with a political party or candidate.

The Commission has written to schools requesting that these arrangements are complied with. If these conditions are not followed the Commission will direct that the fundraising activity is ceased.

### 2. Remote voting

The following table shows the number of votes taken by community/institution on Friday 19 and Sunday 21 August.

Community	Friday 19 August
Atitjere	46
Bulgul	8
Djirrbiyak	10
Engawala	75
Finke	59
Katherine Hospital	9
Kintore	114
Minjilang	75
Mudginberri	15
Mungalawurru	4
Patonga	10
Rocky Ridge Aged Care	6
Timber Creek	52
Warruwi	144
Woolanig	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>636</b>

Community	Sunday 21 August
Kalkarindji	140
<b>Total</b>	<b>140</b>



### 3. 100 metre prohibition of political canvassing – private residences

A number of the 100 metre boundaries for election day voting centres include private residences. The NTEC has written to these residences advising them of the need to comply with the requirement that no political signage is displayed at their residence on election day between 8:00 am and 6:00 pm.

Maps showing the [100 metre boundaries](#) for election day voting centres can be viewed on the election website.

### 4. Postal and early voting data

During the first week of postal voting, 6176 postal votes were issued. A total of 16 336 early votes have been issued, up to and including Saturday 20 August.

The following table shows the number of early and postal ballot papers issued by division.

Division	Early votes	Postal votes
Arafura	17	54
Araluen	945	206
Arnhem	93	137
Barkly	699	239
Blain	776	257
Braitling	822	186
Brennan	782	245
Casuarina	967	321
Daly	367	293
Drysdale	790	241
Fannie Bay	638	388
Fong Lim	533	309
Goyder	1,105	277

Division	Early votes	Postal votes
Johnston	579	267
Karama	529	223
Katherine	1,414	238
Namatjira	418	258
Nelson	1,062	257
Nhulunbuy	212	117
Nightcliff	572	300
Port Darwin	762	350
Sanderson	628	289
Spillett	697	260
Stuart	116	159
Wanguri	813	305
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,336</b>	<b>6,176</b>

The following table shows the number of early votes, by voting centre, issued on 19 and 20 August as well as the cumulative total.

Early voting centre	Fri, 19 August	Sat, 20 August	Total votes to date
Alice Springs	408	406	2,244
Casuarina	670	879	3,870
Coolalinga	386	467	1,964
Darwin	485	475	2,548
Howard Springs <i>Opens Thu 25 Aug</i>	0	0	0
Jabiru <i>Opens Thu 25 Aug</i>	0	0	0
Katherine	264	321	1,619
Nhulunbuy	30	32	206
Palmerston	512	745	3,217
Tennant Creek	414	254	668
Tennant Creek <i>Opens Fri 19 Aug</i>	0	0	0
<b>Total votes</b>	<b>3,169</b>	<b>3,579</b>	<b>16,336</b>



## 5. 100m rule - NT Police protocol

A number of complaints continue to be received alleging breaches of the 100 metre boundary rule during early and remote voting. Parties, candidates and campaign workers are reminded that they **must not** canvass for votes within 100 metres of early, remote or election day voting places.

The following protocol has been agreed with NT Police to address alleged breaches of the 100 metre boundary.

The NTEC is responsible for the conduct of the 2016 Territory election. Responsibility for and control of voting centres, including remote voting places, rests with the nominated Officer-in-Charge or 'authorised officer' in accordance with the *NT Electoral Act* (the Act).

NT police member duties during an election are to preserve the peace and prevent any interference to the right of every voter to cast his/her vote.

NT Police, where practicable, will respond to complaints received from the NTEC regarding any alleged breaches detected in accordance with the Act, noting in particular the recent amendments extending the prohibition of canvassing at voting centres from 10 metres to 100 metres.

If a person has been directed to leave and stay away from a voting centre or scrutiny centre by the authorised officer in accordance with section 295 of the Act, NT Police have the power and will remove that person if they fail to comply with the direction.

In responding to a complaint NT Police will, in consultation with the NTEC, determine whether it is appropriate to prosecute for any alleged breaches of the Act.

It should also be noted that NT Police have other legislative provisions available in accordance with the *Summary Offences Act* and *Police Administration Act*, as well as the *Trespass Act*, depending on the circumstances and types of anti-social behaviour being displayed.

The NTEC seeks the cooperation of parties, candidates and campaign workers to ensure that NT Police resources do not need to be diverted to respond to these types of breaches.