

# Application to register a third-party campaigner and appoint a reporting agent

## Who should complete this form

The third-party campaigner and the reporting agent (if applicable) appointed by the third-party campaigner.

**NOTE:** More information on the definition of a third-party campaigner and the application process for registration can be found on page 3 of this form.

This form is fillable. Tab through to complete. Part D completed by the **Part A, B and C** completed by the third-party campaigner Checklist reporting agent Election event Part A To be completed by the third-party campaigner Are you registering for a general election or a by-election? General election By-election Election event (name of election) Date of election Third-party campaigner details Part B Complete either option 1 or option 2 Option 1: If an individual Option 2: If an entity Title Given name/s Surname Entity name Date of birth Business number (ABN/CAN/other) Mobile Telephone (landline) Mobile Telephone (landline) **Email Email** Residential address Registered address of entity Suburb State/Territory Postcode Suburb State/Territory Postcode Postal address (if different to above) Postal address (if different to above) I am a silent elector: Name of authorised person Yes Signature of authorised person Signature of authorised person (Note: electronic signatures are not accepted) (Note: electronic signatures are not accepted) Date Date

## Part C

## Reporting agent appointment

The third-party campaigner (named in Part B) appoints the reporting agent below.	
<b>Note:</b> If a reporting agent is not appointed, the third-party campaigner named in part B is taken to be the reporting agent (don't forget to complete part D).	
Title Given name/s	Surname
Date of birth Occupation	
Residential address	Suburb State/Territory Postcode
Postal address (if different to above)	
Mobile Telephone (landline)	Email
Signature of reporting agent (Note: electronic signatures are not accepted)	
(Note: electronic signatures are not accepted)	7
	Date
Part D Reporting agent acceptance To be completed by the reporting agent	
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,	(name of reporting agent)
accept the appointment as reporting agent for the third-party campaigner listed in part B.	
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I certify that I:  • am aged 18 years or older	
<ul> <li>have not been convicted of an offence under the disclosure provisions of the <u>Electoral Act 2004</u></li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>consent to the appointment as reporting agent for the third-party campaigner listed in part B.</li> </ul>	
Signature of reporting agent	
(Note: electronic signatures are not accepted)	7
	Date
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#### Definition of a third-party campaigner

Part 2, section 3 of the <u>Electoral Act 2004</u> (the Act) defines a third party campaigner as a person who or entity that incurs or expects to incur more than \$1,000 of political expenditure\* during the capped expenditure period (1 January to 30 days after election day), but does not include a candidate (as defined in part 10 of the Act), a registered political party or an associated entity.

\* Political expenditure is expenditure incurred in promoting or opposing a candidate (within the meaning of part 10 of the Act) or a registered political party.

### Application process for registration of a third-party campaigner

Part 9A of the *Electoral Act 2004* (the Act) specifies the application process for registration of a third-party campaigner.

**Important:** Third-party campaigners must register for each general or by-election. This is because third-party campaigners are not ongoing participants in the electoral system in the same way that registered political parties and associated entities are. Under section 175B of the Act, registration must be received by the Commission no less than five days before the relevant election (the Commission will refuse to register an applicant if the application is received within five days before the election).

Section 175M of the Act stipulates that the Commission must keep a register of registered third-party campaigners in respect to each election. The Commission must make the register available on the NTEC website.

#### **Offences**

Under section 175R of the Act, it is an offence if a third-party campaigner:

- intentionally fails to register for an election
- incurs more than \$1,000 of political expenditure in relation to an election.

Maximum penalty: for an individual - 200 penalty units or imprisonment for 12 months or both

for a body corporate - 1000 penalty units

Additionally, it is an offence if a registered third-party campaigner does not notify the NT Electoral Commission of changes to information in the register within 30 days of the change.

Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units

**Note:** If the Commission believes that information given by a registered third-party campaigner has changed, the Commission may give written notice to the campaigner requiring them to comply.