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- [Recount policy](#)
- [NT Electoral Act](#)
- [Scrutineer appointment form](#)

1. Two candidate preferred (TCP) count

Following the first preference count, polling officials conduct an indicative two candidate preferred (TCP) count - a distribution of ballot papers to two selected candidates.

The two selected candidates are those expected to receive the most first preference votes. The TCP count is conducted to give an early indication of who is most likely to win each seat, as this is not always clear from first preferences. The Virtual Tally Room on the website also provides TCP information as soon as it is entered into the NTEC election system.

The Electoral Commission selects the two candidates for the TCP count based on a number of factors including historical voting patterns in previous elections. The names of the two candidates are kept confidential until the close of the poll. The ballot papers for all other candidates are examined to see which of the two selected candidates the voter has put ahead in their preferences. The ballot papers are then sorted to the candidate who has the highest preference. This process ends up with all ballot papers being allocated to one or other of the two selected candidates to give a TCP count result.

If the first preference count shows that the determination of TCP is possibly incorrect, the count will still be conducted but not displayed on the website. In these instances the TCP count will be changed when the fresh scrutiny is undertaken on Monday.

The determined TCP by division is as follows:

ARAFURA		GOYDER	
Francis Xavier KURRUPUWU	Country Liberals	Kezia PURICK	Independent
Lawrence COSTA	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)	Carolyn REYNOLDS	Country Liberals
ARALUEN		JOHNSTON	
Robyn LAMBLEY	Independent	Steven KLOSE	Country Liberals
Stephen BROWN	Country Liberals	Ken VOWLES	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)
ARNHEM		KARAMA	
Selena UIBO	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)	Ngaree Jane AH KIT	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)
Ian GUMBULA	Country Liberals	Delia LAWRIE	Independent
BARKLY		KATHERINE	
Tony JACK	Country Liberals	Sandra NELSON	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)
Gerry McCARTHY	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)	Willem WESTRA VAN HOLTHE	Country Liberals
BLAIN		NAMATJIRA	
Damian HALE	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)	Heidi WILLIAMS	Country Liberals
Marie-Clare BOOTHBY	Country Liberals	Chansey PAECH	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)
BRAITLING		NELSON	
Dale WAKEFIELD	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)	Gerry WOOD	Independent
Adam GILES	Country Liberals	Gerard MALEY	Country Liberals
BRENNAN		NHULUNBUY	
Tony SIEVERS	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)	Charlie YUNUPINGU	Country Liberals
Peter CHANDLER	Country Liberals	Lynne WALKER	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)
CASUARINA		NIGHTCLIFF	
TCP same as first preference count		Natasha FYLES	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)
DALY		Ted DUNSTAN	Country Liberals
Anthony VENES	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)	PORT DARWIN	
Gary HIGGINS	Country Liberals	Paul KIRBY	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)
DRYSDALE		Rohan KELLY	Country Liberals
Ben HOSKING	Country Liberals	SANDERSON	
Eva LAWLER	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)	Kate WORDEN	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)
FANNIE BAY		Peter STYLES	Country Liberals
Michael GUNNER	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)	SPILLETT	
Karen BROWN	Country Liberals	Phil TILBROOK	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)
FONG LIM		Lia FINOCCHIARO	Country Liberals
Jeff COLLINS	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)	STUART	
Tim DIXON	Country Liberals	Scott McCONNELL	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)
		Bess Nungarrayi PRICE	Country Liberals
		WANGURI	
		Steven DOHERTY	Country Liberals
		Nicole MANISON	Australian Labor Party NT (ALP)

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2. Remote voting

The following table shows the number of remote votes taken by community on Friday 26 August 2016.

Community	Votes
Angurugu	224
Banthula	11
Borrooloola	224
Gawa	12
Inkwelaye	4
Maningrida	324
Mataranka	69
Milikapiti	194
Mulggan	5
Nyirripi	88
Palumpa	150
Pulka Pulkka Kari Nursing Home (Tennant Creek)	5
Tennant Creek Hospital	7
Tennant Creek Work Camp	13
Wudapuli	5
Yirrkala	303
TOTAL	1,638

3. Early voting

The following table shows the total number of early votes issued by electorate.

ARAFURA	ARALUEN	ARNHEM	BARKLY	BLAIN	BRATTLING	BRENNAN	CASUARINA	DALY	DRYSDALE	FANNIE BAY	FONG LIM	GOYDER
65	2,269	316	1,216	1,640	2,060	1,723	1,952	800	1,632	1,558	1,305	2,416
JOHNSTON	KARAMA	KATHERINE	NAMATJIRA	NELSON	NHULUNBUY	NIGHTCLIFF	PORT DARWIN	SANDERSON	SPILLETT	STUART	WANGURI	TOTAL
1,361	1,227	2,639	832	2,582	452	1,445	1,684	1,521	1,508	288	1,637	36,128

4. Recount policy

The [recount policy](#) is available on the 2016 Territory election website. This policy is further guidance to the recount clause in section 130 of the [NT Electoral Act](#) (the Act).

The policy states that before a request for a recount is considered, it needs to identify specific ballot papers and associated significant counting process errors or irregularities that could change the result of an election within a division, unless the margin of votes is 100 or less, in which case a recount will be undertaken at the Commission's initiative in accordance with section 130(2) (b) of the Act.

5. Scrutineer appointment

Scrutineers must produce a completed [scrutineer appointment form](#) upon arrival at the count centre. If conducting scrutines for more than one division, a completed form is required for **each** relevant division.

6. Removal of campaign signage

Candidates and parties are reminded to remove their campaign signage from all locations in accordance with the relevant council/department [signage by-laws](#).



7. Proposed count schedule

Once voting centres close at 6:00 pm on election day, counting will begin across the Territory. The following is an indication of how the count will proceed until the declaration of election results on Monday, 12 September 2016.

DAY DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
ELECTION NIGHT Saturday 27 August after 6:00 pm	Count of first preferences on ballot papers cast by voters within their division on election day	At election day voting centres
	A notional distribution of preferences to the two major candidates (TCP count)	
	Count of first preferences on ballot papers cast by voters before election day: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> early votes mobile polling votes postal votes (depending on numbers available) TCP count	At scrutiny centres: Darwin x 20 divisions cnr McLachlan and Mitchell Sts First floor (former NAB building) Entrance off McLachlan St Alice Springs x 5 divisions 7/8 Gregory Tce Ground floor, below Aboriginal Art Next door to Anytime Fitness
Sunday 28 August	No counting Declaration vote exchange between Darwin and Alice Springs Consolidation of materials from election night	
From Monday 29 August	Subject to confirmation, and commencing at 9:00 am: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fresh scrutiny of all ballot papers counted on the Saturday night 	At scrutiny centres: Darwin x 20 divisions cnr McLachlan and Mitchell Sts First floor (former NAB building) Entrance off McLachlan St
From Monday 29 August	Absent, declaration and further postal counts (numbers permitting)	Alice Springs x 5 divisions 7/8 Gregory Tce Ground floor, below Aboriginal Art Next door to Anytime Fitness
Friday 9 September after 12:00 noon	Final postal count and distribution of preferences where required	
TBC (if required)	Recounts	Darwin and Alice Springs

- Election night figures will be progressively updated to the NTEC website at ntec.nt.gov.au.
- The website will be updated with any figures from rechecks and progressive counts during the week following election day.
- Final count figures will be available following the distribution of preferences after 6:00 pm Friday 9 September 2016.
- The website will show when final figures have been posted.

A copy of the election night count order can be found on page 3 of [Newsletter No. 19](#) issued on Thursday 25 August.