



Application to register a third-party campaigner and appoint a returning agent

Who should complete this form

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

How to lodge

Submit the completed application form to the NTEC using the contact details listed on page 2.

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.

Checklist

Part A, B and C completed by the third-party campaigner **Part D** completed by the returning agent

Part A

Election event

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

Part B

Third-party campaigner details

Complete either option 1 or option 2

Option 1: If an individual

Title Given name/s Surname

Date of birth

Mobile Telephone (landline)

Email

Residential address

Suburb State/Territory Postcode

Postal address (if different to above)

I am a silent elector:
 Yes No

Signature of authorised person
 (Note: electronic signatures are not accepted)

Date

Option 2: If an entity

Entity name

Business number (ABN/CAN/other)

Mobile Telephone (landline)

Email

Registered address of entity

Suburb State/Territory Postcode

Postal address (if different to above)

Name of authorised person

Signature of authorised person
 (Note: electronic signatures are not accepted)

Date

Part C

Returning agent appointment

The third-party campaigner (named in Part B) appoints the returning agent below.

Note: If a returning agent is not appointed, the third-party campaigner named in part B is taken to be the returning agent (don't forget to complete part D).

Title	Given name/s	Surname	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Date of birth	Occupation		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Residential address	Suburb	State/Territory	Postcode
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Postal address (if different to above)			
<input type="text"/>			
Mobile	Telephone (landline)	Email	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Signature of returning agent (Note: electronic signatures are not accepted)			Date
<input type="text"/>			<input type="text"/>

Part D

Returning agent acceptance

To be completed by the returning agent

I, (name of returning agent)

accept the appointment as returning agent for the third-party campaigner listed in part B.

I certify that I:

- am aged 18 years or older
- have not been convicted of an offence under the disclosure provisions of the [Electoral Act 2004](#)
- consent to the appointment as returning agent for the third-party campaigner listed in part B.

Signature of returning agent
(Note: electronic signatures are not accepted)

<input type="text"/>	Date
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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Registration number	Date received	Processed by	File number
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Definition of a third-party campaigner

Part 2, section 3 of the [Electoral Act 2004](#) (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; and
- 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.