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## 1. 100 metre boundary

### Conduct of candidates and campaign workers

Candidates and campaign workers are reminded that canvassing for votes within 100 metres of a voting centre is prohibited. Any attempt to influence an elector's vote within the exclusion zone is a breach of the [NT Electoral Act](#).

Within the 100 metre exclusion zone, candidates, former candidates and campaign workers **must not**:

- Enter the zone for any purpose other than to cast their vote.
- Linger in the zone either before, or after, casting their vote.
- Interact with voters or other people.
- Wear campaign logos or distribute campaign materials.
- Be involved in activities such as cake stalls or sausage sizzles.

Any candidate or campaign worker found within the 100 metre boundary, except for the purpose of voting, will be issued a warning by the officer-in-charge of the voting centre. If the person fails to leave the 100 metre exclusion zone, the matter will be referred to the NT Police, as agreed under the [NT Police protocol](#).

The maximum penalty for breaching section 275 of the [NT Electoral Act](#) is 20 penalty units which equates to over \$3000. The NT Police have other legislative provisions for dealing with anti-social behaviour or other offences.

## 2. 100 metre boundary - fences

Campaign material cannot be displayed within 100 metres of a voting centre.

Fences (both sides) or other structures within the 100 metre boundary are considered to be a part of the exclusion zone. Campaign materials attached to these structures will be removed.

## 3. Postal voting applications closed

The despatch of postal votes for the 2016 Territory election has now ceased. Voters are still able to vote at an [early voting centre](#) tomorrow or at a [voting centre](#) on Saturday.

Voters who have applied for a postal vote are reminded to sign, date and mail their postal voting papers before 6:00 pm on Saturday 27 August. The deadline for the receipt of postal votes by the Northern Territory Electoral Commission is 12:00 noon Friday 9 September.

### DARWIN

Level 3, TCG Centre, 80 Mitchell St  
GPO Box 2419, Darwin NT 0801

### ALICE SPRINGS

MyVote Central  
Yeperenye Centre, Hartley St  
PO Box 2304, Alice Springs NT 0871

**PHONE:** 1800 MYVOTE

**WEBSITE:** [www.ntec.nt.gov.au](http://www.ntec.nt.gov.au)

**EMAIL:** [ntec@nt.gov.au](mailto:ntec@nt.gov.au)



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## 4. Ballot paper formality posters

Ballot paper formality rules have changed under optional preferential voting (OPV).

To assist in understanding the ballot paper formality rules required under an OPV system, a poster has been developed that shows examples of formal ballot papers and where ballot papers would become exhausted in a count. This [poster](#) will be displayed in voting centres and scrutiny centres after 6:00 pm for scrutineers to refer to when counts commence.

Further information on OPV and how votes are counted can be found in the [OPV information sheet](#) and the [ballot paper formality guide](#).

## 5. SMS voter information

To improve remote voter participation, text messages detailing remote voting dates and times have been sent to remote voters who provided a mobile phone number on their enrolment form. To date, over 1514 texts have been sent to over 113 localities across the divisions of Arafura, Arnhem, Barkley, Daly, Katherine, Namatjira, Nhulunbuy and Stuart, with a further 2,000 messages scheduled to be sent over the next two days.

## 6. Remote voting

The following table shows the number of remote votes taken by community on Wednesday 24 August 2016.

Community	Votes taken	Community	Votes taken
Arawerr	27	Mutitjulu	90
Atheley	27	Naiiyu	210
Baniyala	38	Nturiya	20
Barunga	122	Numbulwar	232
Canteen Creek	44	Pigeon Hole	25
Dhuruputjpi	0	Ramingining	282
Gamardi	12	Ti Tree	88
Gan Gan	26	Tiwi Gardens Aged Care	31
Indaringinya	9	Wandangula	29
Inkawenyerre	15	Woodycupaldiya	19
King Ash Bay	41	Wutunugurra	60
Mbunghara	15	Yuelamu	85
Milyakburra	42	Yulara	164
Munyalini	1	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,754</b>

## 7. Early voting

The following table shows the number of early votes, by voting centre, issued Wednesday 24 August as well as the cumulative total.

Early voting centre	Wednesday 24 August	Total votes to date
Alice Springs	577	<b>3,770</b>
Casuarina	783	<b>6,005</b>
Coolalinga	380	<b>3,099</b>
Darwin	676	<b>4,324</b>
Howard Springs	0	<b>0</b>
Jabiru	0	<b>0</b>
Katherine	272	<b>2,363</b>
Nhulunbuy	26	<b>286</b>
Palmerston	620	<b>4,896</b>
Tennant Creek	72	<b>897</b>
<b>Total votes</b>	<b>3,406</b>	<b>25,640</b>



## 8. Election night count order

A first preference count of early, postal and remote votes will be conducted from 6:00pm in the scrutiny centres in Darwin and Alice Springs. After the first preference count, a notional distribution of preferences to the two selected candidates (TCP) will be conducted.

**The order of the count is as follows:**

### DARWIN

**ADDRESS:** cnr Mitchell & McLachlan Sts | First floor | Next to TCG Centre | entrance off McLachlan St  
**NB:** access to first floor is by stairs only | A [layout](#) of the Darwin counting room is attached

#### DARWIN EARLY VOTING CENTRE (EVC)

The following counts from the Darwin EVC will commence in **Room 9** at 6:00 pm:

**Casuarina | Fannie Bay | Fong Lim | Johnston | Karama | Nightcliff | Port Darwin**

**Sanderson** and **Wanguri** divisions will be counted in **Room 9** immediately after the completion of the above counts.

#### CASUARINA EVC

The following counts from the Casuarina EVC will commence in **Room 9** immediately after the completion of the Darwin EVC counts.

**Casuarina | Fannie Bay | Fong Lim | Johnston | Karama | Nightcliff | Port Darwin | Sanderson | Wanguri**

#### HOWARD SPRINGS EVC

The following counts from the Howard Springs EVC will commence in **Room 7** at 6:00 pm:

**Goyder | Nelson**

#### COOLALINGA EVC

The following counts from the Coolalinga EVC will be conducted in **Room 7** immediately after the completion of the Howard Springs EVC counts.

**Goyder | Nelson**

#### PALMERSTON EVC

The following counts from the Palmerston EVC will commence in **Room 9** at 6:00 pm:

**Blain | Brennan | Drysdale | Spillett**

#### POSTAL

The following postal counts will commence in **Room 13** at 6:00pm:

**Blain | Brennan | Casuarina**

The postal count will continue for the remaining Top End divisions in alphabetical order.

#### REMOTE

The following remote voting team counts will commence at 6:00 pm:

**Arafura 1 in Room 3 | Arnhem 2 in Room 4 | Daly 2 in Room 5 | Stuart 1 in Room 6**

### ALICE SPRINGS

**ADDRESS:** 7/8 Gregory Tce | ground floor | Below Aboriginal Art | Next door to Anytime Fitness  
**NB:** There will be two tables operating in Alice Springs

The following counts from the Alice Springs EVC will commence at 6:00 pm:

**Araluen | Braitling**

Once the above counts are completed the teams will count postal votes for Araluen and Braitling. The next counts will be early, postal and remote team votes for Namatjira and Stuart.