



DECISION

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009
s.189—Arrangement for conduct of an election

Australian Hotels Association
(E2024/202)

MR STEENSON

SYDNEY, 21 JANUARY 2025

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 18 December 2024 the Northern Territory Branch (the **Branch**) of the Australian Hotels Association (the **organisation**) lodged with the Fair Work Commission (the **Commission**) prescribed information for an election to fill the following offices for a new term of office:

Executive Committee

President / Delegate to National Board	(1)
Senior Vice President	(1)
Vice President	(1)
Secretary	(1)
Treasurer	(1)
Representative to National Accommodation Hotels Division	(1)

Board

General Hotel Representatives	(3)
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Divisional Representatives as follows:

Greater Darwin

Hotels	(3)
Accommodation	(2)
Clubs	(2)

Alice Springs & Ayers Rock

Hotels	(1)
Accommodation	(1)
Clubs	(1)

<u>Regional Towns (Katherine, Tennant Creek, Jabiru and Gove)</u>	
Hotels	(1)
Accommodation	(1)
Clubs	(1)
<u>Wayside Inns</u>	(2)
<u>Restaurants & Cafes, Small Bars & Craft Breweries</u>	(3)

[2] The prescribed information lodged by the Branch communicated the organisation's intention to lodge a notice and declaration (**rule alteration application**) setting out particulars of changes to the Branch's rules with the Commission, following a Special General Meeting scheduled to be held in mid-February 2025. The foreshadowed rule changes propose to merge the offices of Secretary and Treasurer, which are the subject of this election.

[3] The Branch should therefore notify both the Commission and the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) immediately when the rule alteration application is lodged, as an amended decision in respect to those offices may be required to be issued, depending on when any such application is likely to be in a position to be certified.

[4] I am satisfied that an election for the abovenamed offices is required to be held under the rules of the organisation and, under subsection 189(3) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*, I am making arrangements for the conduct of the election by the AEC.



DELEGATE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

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Dear Sir / Madam,

Upcoming Election – Australian Hotels Association Northern Territory Branch

In accordance with section 189(1) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and Regulation 138, I lodge the following prescribed information in relation to the upcoming election of Board members of the Australian Hotels Association Northern Territory Branch.

As President of the Australian Hotels Association Northern Territory Branch, I am authorised to lodge the prescribed information:

Names of Office of Position for which election required

Board Members from the following Divisions:

- (1) Greater Darwin
 - a. Hotels – 3 Divisional Representatives
 - b. Accommodation – 2 Divisional Representatives
 - c. Clubs – 2 Divisional Representative
- (2) Alice Springs & Ayers Rock
 - a. Hotels – 1 Divisional Representative
 - b. Accommodation – 1 Divisional Representative
 - c. Clubs – 1 Divisional Representative
- (3) Regional Towns (Katherine, Tennant Creek, Jabiru and Gove)
 - a. Hotels – 1 Divisional Representative
 - b. Accommodation – 1 Divisional Representative
 - c. Clubs – 1 Divisional Representative
- (4) Wayside Inns – 2 Divisional Representatives
- (5) Restaurants & Cafes, Small Bars & Craft Breweries –3 Divisional Representatives from that sector, one of which must be based outside of Greater Darwin;
- (6) Three General Hotel Representatives from the Hotel Sector

The Executive Committee consisting of:

- (1) President / Delegate to National Board
- (2) Senior Vice President
- (3) Vice President
- (4) Secretary
- (5) Treasurer

The following position pursuant to Rule 42 of the National Rules of the Australian Hotels Association is also required:

- NT Accommodation Hotels Division – 1 Representative to the AHA National Accommodation Division Board

Rule Alteration

We plan to lodge the rule changes with the Fair Work Commission following a Special General Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 18 February 2025.

The proposed rule changes will merge the Treasurer and Secretary positions, impacting the upcoming election and altering the titles of elected office positions.

Reason for Election

An election is required to be conducted in 2025. Divisional Representatives, General Representatives and Executive Members shall be elected for a two year term. The term of office is due to expire in the normal course of events.

Electorate

The Divisional members are elected to the Board by and from the financial members of each Division.

The Executive Committee is to be elected by and from the Board.

The National Accommodation Hotels Division is elected by and from the financials members of the NT Accommodation Hotels Division.

Nominations

Nominations shall close no later than 1 April 2025.

Closure of Voting Rolls

The roll of voters is closed 7 days before the day which nominations for the election open.

Voting System

The voting system for the Board positions is a direct voting system. The voting system for the Executive is the collegiate electoral system.

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Yours sincerely,

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Paul Palmer
President

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