

## **DECISION**

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

**United Firefighters' Union of Australia** (E2025/65)

MR STEENSON

SYDNEY, 28 APRIL 2025

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 11 April 2025, the United Firefighters' Union of Australia (the **Organisation**) lodged with the Fair Work Commission prescribed information for an election to fill the following offices for a new term of office:

National Secretary (1)

National President (1)

- [2] The previous election for these offices (E2021/167) was declared on 26 May 2022. The term of these offices is three (3) years.
- [3] The Organisation's rules provide that the National Returning Officer, i.e. the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) shall call for nominations for election to National Offices (i.e. the National Secretary and the National President) no less than two full months immediately prior to the scheduled commencement date of the National Committee of Management Election meeting (the **Election meeting**).<sup>1</sup>
- [4] The Organisation's rules do not prescribe the date or timeframe within which the Election meeting must be held.
- [5] The Organisation has therefore helpfully provided an indicative election timetable, which amongst other matters proposes that nominations for National Offices open on 11 June 2025 (i.e. two months after the prescribed information was lodged) and proposes that nominations close on 25 June 2025, with the Election meeting to then be held on 13 August 2025. The Organisation has advised that it will liaise with the AEC in relation to the precise timetable.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> UFUA rules certified 8 September 2022 – subrules 23.1 and 23.3

[6] 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 Australian Electoral Commission.



## DELEGATE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

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PRESCRIBED INFORMATION FOR ELECTIONS in accordance with Section 189 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and Regulation 138 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009

I, Greg McConville, being the NATIONAL SECRETARY of the UNITED FIREFIGHTERS' UNION OF AUSTRALIA, make the following statement:

- 1. I am authorised to sign this statement containing prescribed information for the United Firefighters Union of Australia.
- 2. The following information is lodged under subsection 189(1) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the RO Act).
- 3. The elections that are required are set out in the table in Annexure A.

No rule alterations are pending that will impact the election.

4. This statement is lodged at least 2 months before nominations open for the election in Annexure A.

Signed:

Dated: 10 April 2025

[PLEASE NOTE: This statement should be lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission at least 2 months prior to nominations opening. It can be submitted to regorgs@fwc.gov.au.]

## **ANNEXURE A**

Elections that are required [insert as many pages as required]:

Branch	Name of Office	Number required	Voting System  Direct voting system; Collegiate electoral system	Reason for Election  Scheduled; Casual vacancy; New office created; Insufficient nominations	Electorate
National	Secretary	1	Collegiate	Scheduled	National Committee of Management (Rule 23 (1)) – National Committee of Management election meeting will be held on 13 August 2025 via Microsoft Teams
National	President	1	Collegiate	Scheduled	National Committee of Management (Rule 23 (1)) – National Committee of Management election meeting will be held on 13 August 2025 via Microsoft Teams

## Important dates:

	Direct Voting System	Collegiate Electoral System
Nominations OPEN		10 June 2025 – no less than 2 full months
		immediately prior the National Committee of
		Management election meeting (Rule 23(3))
Nominations CLOSE		25 June 2025/TBD – one full month
		immediately prior to the National Committee of
		Management election meeting (Rule 23(4))
Roll of Voters cut off date		17 April 2025

<u>Please note: that for insufficient nominations and casual vacancies, the date nominations open and close, unless specified in the rules, should be listed as 'to be determined by the returning officer</u>'. Casual vacancies must be accompanied by proof of resignation and attached to this statement.