

DECISION

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

Transport Workers' Union of Australia (E2025/148)

MR STEENSON

SYDNEY, 4 SEPTEMBER 2025

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 2 September 2025 the Western Australian Branch (the **Branch**) of the Transport Workers' Union of Australia (the **organisation**) lodged with the Fair Work Commission (the **Commission**) prescribed information for an election to fill the following newly created office:

Branch Assistant Secretary

(1)

- [2] On 1 August 2025 the Commission certified rule alterations (R2025/89) creating the new office of Branch Assistant Secretary for the Branch via transitional provisions set out at Rule 94. That rule provides that if the Branch Committee of Management (BCoM) resolves to appoint a new Branch Assistant Secretary prior to the next quadrennial election (due in late 2026), the Returning Officer is to conduct an interim election to fill the new office.
- [3] Accompanying the prescribed information was a copy of the BCoM's resolution of 1 August 2025 to fill the Branch Assistant Secretary role.
- [4] I note that, in accordance with transitional Rule 94, the newly elected office holder will hold office until the conclusion of the scheduled quadrennial election in January 2027. This is because that scheduled quadrennial election, conducted in late 2026 in accordance with Rule 60, will include the office of Branch Assistant Secretary as one of the offices to be elected.
- [5] I am satisfied that an election for the abovenamed office 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, Timothy Dawson, being the Branch Secretary of the Transport Workers' Union of Australia, Western Australian Branch make the following statement:

- 1. I am authorised to sign this statement containing prescribed information for [Transport Workers' Union of Australia, Western Australian Branch.
- 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.
- 4. On 1 August 2025 the Fair Work Commission in R2025/89 approved a rule change which allowed the Transport Workers' Union of Australia, Western Australian Branch Committee of Management to determine there should be a position of Branch Assistant Secretary. On, 6 August 2025 the Branch Committee of Management met and determined that there should be a Branch Assistant Secretary and that an election for this position should occur at the next Branch Committee of Management meeting. The relevant resolution is attached.
- 5. No rule alterations are pending that will impact the election.

Signed:



Western Australia Branch Secretary

Dated: 2 September 2025

NOTE: This statement should be lodged with the Fair Work Commission at least 2 months prior to nominations opening. It can be submitted to regorgs@fwc.gov.au.

Annexure A

Elections that are 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
Western Australian Branch	Branch Assistant Secretary	1	Collegiate electoral system	New office created	Branch Committee of Management Members at Rule 94(2)

• Important dates:

	Direct Voting System	Collegiate Electoral System
Nominations OPEN	N/A	Next Branch Committee of Management meeting as determined by the
		Returning Officer
Nominations CLOSE	N/A	Next Branch Committee of Management meeting as determined by the
		Returning Officer
Roll of Voters cut off date	N/A	Members of the Branch Committee of Management at the date of the
		meeting as determined by the returning officer per Rule 94(2)

NOTES: 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'. This also applies where rules are silent as to the nominated dates.

If the nomination dates are 'To be Determined by the Returning Officer', but your organisation has a preference, please state 'To be Determined by Returning Officer' and clearly indicate that your nominated date is a preference.

If the P.I. includes a position that is not an office, please refer to our template <u>Prescribed information for the election of officer and non-officer positions</u>.