



## DECISION

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

**The Australasian Meat Industry Employees' Union**  
(E2025/71)

MR STEENSON

SYDNEY, 11 NOVEMBER 2025

*Arrangement for conduct of election.*

[1] On 31 October 2025, the Queensland, Western Australia and Northern Territory Branch (the **Branch**) of The Australasian Meat Industry Employees' Union (the **AMIEU**) lodged with the Fair Work Commission prescribed information for an election to fill the following offices for a new term of office:

### **Committee of Management**

Branch President	(1)
Branch Vice-President	(1)
Branch Secretary	(1)
Assistant Branch Secretary	(1)
Branch Treasurer	(1)

Delegates to Federal Council	(3)
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Branch Committee of Management Representatives from:

Southern Region	(6)
Northern Region	(6)
Western Australia	(1)

[2] The previous scheduled election in **E2021/130**<sup>1</sup>, was for members of the Committee of Management and delegates to the Federal Council, representing what was then the Queensland Branch. Subsequent to that election, alterations to the organisation's rules, certified on 5 August 2024,<sup>2</sup> have changed the organisation's structure.

[3] Among other changes, the former South and Western Australian Branch has been dissolved and the Western Australian members were reallocated to the Queensland Branch. The Queensland Branch was renamed and now bears the name set out in the first paragraph of this

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<sup>1</sup> [2021] ROCD 93

<sup>2</sup> [2024] FWCD 1032 dated 5 August 2024

decision. Reflective of the changed Branch composition, one new representative position on the Branch Committee of Management has been reserved for members in Western Australia and the Branch's representation on the Federal Council has increased from two Delegates to three Delegates.

[4] Other than the requirement that elections for Branch offices be conducted every fourth year by no later than 30 July<sup>3</sup>, the rules do not specify a date or timeframe by which nominations for an election are due to open. It is noted that the declaration of results for the previous election (E2021/130) occurred on 14 February 2022, appearing to have been delayed due to restrictions arising from the Covid-19 pandemic.

[5] 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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<sup>3</sup> AMIEU rules certified 5 August 2024 [R2024/71] - subrule 50.1

# THE AUSTRALASIAN MEAT INDUSTRY EMPLOYEES' UNION

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Dear Sir or Madam

## Re: Election of Offices – AMIEU QWANT Branch Quadrennial Elections 2026

I am writing in relation to the Quadrennial Elections for offices within the Queensland Western Australian and Northern Territory Branch of the AMIEU, which are due to be held in February 2026.

The purpose of this letter is to provide the prescribed information required by the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* ("the RO Act").

I note that due to delays to the conduct of elections by the Australian Electoral Commission due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the previous quadrennial elections of the branch (then the Queensland Branch) were not declared until 14 February 2022.

## The Prescribed Information

The prescribed information in respect of the quadrennial elections of the branch, which must be conducted in 2026, is as follows:

- (a) The name of each office or position for which an election is required, is as follows:
  - (i) Branch President
  - (ii) Branch Vice-President
  - (iii) Branch Secretary
  - (iv) Branch Assistant Secretary
  - (v) Branch Treasurer
  - (vi) Three (3) delegates to Federal Council
  - (vii) Representatives elected from the below mentioned Regions of the Branch:
    - a. Six representatives from the Southern Region
    - b. Six representatives from the Northern Region
    - c. One representative from Western Australia

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- (b) In respect of each of the above offices, the reason for the election is that the term of the office is due to expire in the normal course of events.
- (c) The rules of the AMIEU provide [at clause 47.13] that there are to be a total of 13 committee of management representatives, in addition to the named positions – six from the Southern Region, six from the Northern Region, and one from Western Australia. The Rules (at clause 13.2.2) further specify that there are to be three Federal Council delegates elected by all of the members of the branch.
- (d) The electorate for each office is as follows:
  - (i) For each of the offices of Branch President, Branch Vice President, Branch Secretary, Branch Assistant Secretary, Branch Treasurer, and Branch Federal Council Delegates, the electorate consists of the membership of the Queensland Western Australia and Northern Territory Branch of the AMIEU [clause 47.14 of the AMIEU rules and clause 13.2.2].
  - (ii) For the six committee of management representatives from the Southern Region, the electorate comprises those members of the Union who are members of the Southern Region of the QWANT Branch of the AMIEU [see clause 47.13, 47.14 and 47.16 of the AMIEU rules – clause 47.16.2 defines the Southern Region].
  - (iii) For the three committee of management representatives from the Northern Region, the electorate comprises those members of the Union who are members of the Northern Region of the QWANT Branch of the AMIEU [see clause 47.13, 47.14, and 47.16 of the AMIEU rules – clause 47.16.1 defines the Northern Region].
  - (iv) For the committee of management representative from Western Australia, the electorate comprises those members of the Union who are members of the Western Australian Region of the QWANT Branch of the AMIEU [see clause 47.13, 47.14 and 47.16 – clause 47.16.3 defines the Western Australian Region].
- (e) The date and time of the beginning and end of the period in which nominations of candidates will be called for or may be made under the rules of the organisations or branch in relation to the election.
  - (i) The rules of the AMIEU do not specifically state when the nomination period begins or ends. Rule 50.1 specifies that “*Elections for the following positions as defined in Rule 49: - President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Organisers, members of the Branch Committee of Management, Federal Council Delegates and any other positions decided on by the Branch Committee of Management shall be conducted on every fourth year by no later than 30 July.*”
  - (ii) Rule 50.8 specifies that the Returning Officer must advertise the election, that this must occur at least fourteen days prior to the close of nominations, and that the date for the close of nominations is to be fixed by the Returning Officer.
- (f) The rules of the AMIEU do not specifically provide for the day on which the roll of voters is to be closed.
- (g) The kind of voting system to be used in the conduct of the election is a direct voting system.

I request that you make the appropriate arrangements for the conduct of the election for officers of the AMIEU Queensland Western Australian and Northern Territory Branch.

I state that the above information is the information prescribed by Regulation 138 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulation 2009* and is lodged under subsection 189(1) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions in relation to the above, or if you require any additional information.

Yours faithfully.



Matthew Journeaux  
Secretary  
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and Northern Territory Branch