



Fair Work  
Commission

## DECISION

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

**The Australasian Meat Industry Employees' Union**  
(E2025/73)

MR STEENSON

SYDNEY, 27 NOVEMBER 2025

*Arrangement for conduct of election.*

[1] On 18 and 24 November 2025 the Victorian Branch of the Australasian Meat Industry Employees' Union lodged with the Fair Work Commission prescribed information for an election to fill the following offices for a new term of office:

Delegate to Federal Council	(2)
<u>Branch Committee of Management</u>	
President	(1)
Vice President	(1)
Secretary-Treasurer	(1)
Assistant Secretary	(1)
Organiser	(1)
Ordinary Members of the Committee of Management	(9)

[2] 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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Dear Sir or Madam

**Re: Election of Offices – AMIEU Victorian Branch Quadrennial Elections 2026**

I am writing in relation to the Quadrennial Elections for offices within the Victorian 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 not declared until 11 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 - Treasurer
  - (iv) Branch Assistant Secretary
  - (v) Branch Organisers (One)
  - (vi) Two (2) delegates to Federal Council
  - (vii) Nine ordinary members of the Branch committee of management
- (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 47.4] that there are to be a total of nine (9) committee of management representatives, in addition to the named positions. The Rules (at clause 13.2.3) further specify that there are to be two Federal Council delegates elected by all of the members of the branch. Clause 47.4 of the AMIEU rules, which provides for the composition of the Victorian Branch committee of management, refers to "Organisers" but does not specify the number of organisers to be elected. I can advise that the Victorian Branch Committee of Management has resolved that one (1) Organiser is to be elected.

- (d) The electorate for each office is, in every case, the whole of the membership of the Victorian Branch. There is no internal subdivision of the branch into smaller electorates, as is the case with some AMIEU branches. See clause 47.4 of the AMIEU rules.
- (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 Victorian 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



Paul Conway  
Branch Secretary - Treasurer  
AMIEU Victorian Branch