



DECISION

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

Motor Trades Association of Queensland Industrial Organisation of Employers
(E2026/22)

MR STEENSON

SYDNEY, 20 MARCH 2026

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 26 February 2026, the Motor Trades Association of Queensland Industrial Organisation of Employers (the **organisation**) lodged with the Fair Work Commission prescribed information for an election to fill the following offices for a new term of office:

Queensland Farm and Industrial Machinery Dealers Division (QFIMDD)

Division Chair/Division Representative (1)
Division Vice Chair/Alternate Division Representative (1)

Queensland Motorcycle Industry Division (QMID)

Division Chair/Division Representative (1)
Division Vice Chair/Alternate Division Representative (1)

Tyre and Undercar Division Qld (TUDQ)

Division Chair/Division Representative (1)
Division Vice Chair/Alternate Division Representative (1)

Australian Automotive Dealers Association Queensland (AADA (QLD))

Division Chair/Division Representative (1)
Division Vice Chair/Alternate Division Representative (1)

Automotive Engineers Division (AED)

Division Chair/Division Representative (1)
Division Vice Chair/Alternate Division Representative (1)

National Auto Collision Alliance (NACA)

Division Chair/Division Representative (1)
Division Vice Chair/Alternate Division Representative (1)

Northern District

District Representative (1)

MTA Queensland Board

Chair (1)

Vice Chair (1)

[2] In addition, the prescribed information also requested an election under section 187 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (RO Act)* for the following non-office positions:

Queensland Farm and Industrial Machinery Dealers Division (QFIMDD)

Division Committee members (5)

Queensland Motorcycle Industry Division (QMID)

Division Committee members (5)

Tyre and Undercar Division Qld (TUDQ)

Division Committee members (5)

Australian Automotive Dealers Association Queensland (AADA (QLD))

Division Committee members (5)

Automotive Engineers Division (AED)

Division Committee members (10)

National Auto Collision Alliance (NACA)

Division Committee members (7)

[3] The timing of the lodgement of prescribed information for this election is consistent with the time frame set out in the organisation's rules for the biennial election for this group of Divisional offices and non-office positions.

[4] The most recent election for the Division's roles in this organisation was held in **E2024/125**,¹ with the final stage (Stage 3) of that election concluding in August 2025. The timing of that election was delayed due to rule alterations, which were made to rectify apparent flaws in the organisation's electoral system.² In light of that delay, and the requirement that the next election cycle for Divisional officers and non-office positions occur in 2026,³ the terms of the current Divisional officers and non-office positions elected in E2024/125, have necessarily been truncated by approximately 12 months in order to resynchronise the elections with the timetable in the organisation's rules.

¹ [2024] FWCD 135

² See [2024] FWCD 1043 – Alteration of other rules of organisation

³ See Schedule 1 to the MTAQ rules

[5] Staff of the Commission have engaged with the organisation about the truncation of terms of those elected in the previous election (E2024/125). The organisation has confirmed that where there has been a requirement to vary the term of an office and/or non-office to preserve the election cycle in the organisation's rules, such as has occurred in this instance, the organisation's members, elected officers and holders of non-office positions, have been made aware of this and updated through organisational committee meetings.

[6] In order to promote consistency and continuity in the organisation's Board, Divisional elections are conducted every two years, with half of the Division's officers and non-office positions elected each year on a rotating basis.⁴ I note that it would be impractical, and from the organisation's view undesirable, to delay the conduct of this election (E2026/22), as this would mean that this election and future elections would fall 'out of sync' with the timelines prescribed in the organisation's rules.

[7] I am satisfied that an election for the abovenamed offices and non-offices is required to be held under the rules of the organisation and, under subsection 189(3) of the RO Act, I am making arrangements for the conduct of the election by the Australian Electoral Commission.



DELEGATE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

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⁴ MTAQ rule 4.7(b)

PRESCRIBED INFORMATION FOR ELECTIONS in accordance with Section 189 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* and Regulation 138 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009*, with a request under Section 187 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*

I, Grant Harrison, being Secretary of Motor Trades Association of Queensland, Industrial Organisation of Employers (MTA Queensland) make the following statement:

1. I am authorised to sign this statement containing prescribed information for Motor Trades Association of Queensland, Industrial Organisation of Employers (MTA Queensland) The following information is lodged under subsection 189(1) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the RO Act).
2. The elections that are required are set out in the table in Annexure B.
3. A copy of the request under section 187 for the AEC to conduct an election for any non-office positions is attached (see Annexure A).
4. No rule alterations are pending that will impact the election.
5. This statement is lodged at least 2 months before nominations open for the election(s) in Annexure B.

Signed:



Dated:

26/02/2026

NOTE: This statement, together with Annexures A and B, must be lodged with the Fair Work Commission at least 2 months prior to nominations opening. It can be submitted by email to regorgs@fwc.gov.au.

Annexure B

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

Branch	Name of Office	Number required	Voting System	Reason for Election	Electorate
For the election of officers					
MTA Queensland	Qld Farm and Industrial Dealers Division (QFIMDD) Vice Chair/Alternate Division Representative	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
MTA Queensland	Qld Farm and Industrial Dealers Division (QFIMDD) Chair Division Representative	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
MTA Queensland	Qld Motorcycle Industry Division (QMID) Vice	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7

	Chair/Alternate Division Representative				
MTA Queensland	Qld Motorcycle Industry Division (QMID) Chair Division Representative	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
MTA Queensland	Tyre and Undercar Division (TUDQ) Vice Chair/Alternate Division Representative	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
MTA Queensland	Tyre and Undercar Division (TUDQ) Chair/ Division Representative	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
MTA Queensland	Australian Automotive Dealers Association Qld (AADA(QLD)) Vice Chair/Alternate Representative	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
MTA Queensland	Australian Automotive Dealers Association Qld (AADA(QLD))	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7

	Chair/Division Representative				
MTA Queensland	National Auto Collision Alliance (NACA) Vice Chair/Alternate Division Representative	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
	National Auto Collision Alliance (NACA) Chair/Division Representative	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
MTA Queensland	Automotive Engineers Division (AED) Vice Chair/Alternate Division Representative	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
	Automotive Engineers Division (AED) Chair/Division Representative	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
	District Representative Northern District	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	District Rule 5.1

	MTA Queensland Chair	1	Collegiate electoral system	Scheduled	MTA Queensland Board Rule 6.1
	MTA Queensland Vice Chair	1	Collegiate Electoral System	Scheduled	MTA Queensland Board Rule 6.1
For the election of non-office positions					
MTA Queensland	Queensland Farm and Industrial Machinery Dealers Division (QFIMDD) Committee	5	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
MTA Queensland	Qld Motorcycle Industry Division (QMID) Committee	5	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
MTA Queensland	Tyre and Undercar Division Qld (TUDQ) Committee	5	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
MTA Queensland	Australian Automotive Dealers Association Queensland (AADA(QLD)) Committee	5	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7

MTA Queensland	Automotive Engineers Division (AED) Committee	10	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7
MTA Queensland	National Auto Collision Alliance (NACA) Committee	7	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Division Rule 4.7

- Important dates:

	Direct Voting System	Collegiate Electoral System
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