



DECISION

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

Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation

(E2026/72)

MR STEENSON

SYDNEY, 18 JUNE 2026

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 21 May 2026, the South Australian Branch (**Branch**) of the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation lodged with the Fair Work Commission prescribed information for an election to fill the following offices for a new term of office:

Branch President	(1)
Branch Vice President	(1)
Branch Executive Members	(4)
Branch Councillor Members	(15)

[2] Rule 85 of the organisation’s rules, which deals with elections in branches,¹ provides that:

Elections for the office of Branch President, Branch Vice President, Branch Executive Member and Branch Councillor ... shall be conducted between the 1st day of September and the 30th day of October in each alternate year, provided that the Returning Officer may call for nominations prior to the first of September in the year of elections.

[3] The Branch initially indicated, in the prescribed information lodged on 21 May 2026 that it requested the first Monday in June as the preferred opening date for nominations for this election. However, it was apparent that such an opening date would not be possible.

[4] On 11 June 2026, the Branch advised the Commission that the preferred date for the opening of nominations is 21 July 2026, however the final date is to be determined by the Returning Officer in accordance with the Branch’s rules.

¹ Rulebook R2026/52, certified 5 June 2026, available at <https://www.fwc.gov.au/documents/organisations/current-rulebooks/current-rb-145v.docx>

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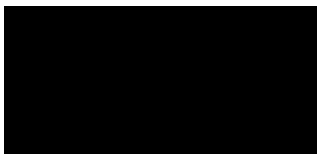
PRESCRIBED INFORMATION FOR ELECTIONS in accordance with Section 189 *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* and Regulation 138 *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009*

I, **Elizabeth Dabars** being the **Branch Secretary** of the **Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation South Australian Branch** make the following statement:

1. I am authorised to sign this statement containing prescribed information for the **Australian and Midwifery Federation South 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. A brief outline of the proposed rule alterations affecting this election is attached. These rule alterations **have** been lodged with the Fair Work Commission. The proposed alterations that may affect this election were lodged on **8 May 2026**.
5. [In relation to scheduled elections, if lodged 2 months prior to nominations opening] This statement is lodged at least 2 months before nominations open for the election(s) in Annexure A.

NOTE: Extensions of time should be requested at least two months before nominations open. A failure to lodge Prescribed Information on time can lead to civil penalties under the RO Act.

Signed:



Dated: 21 May 2026

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 [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
South Australian Br Click or tap here to enter text.	Branch President	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Whole of Branch
South Australia	Branch Vice President	1	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Whole of Branch
South Australia	Branch Executive Member	4	Direct Voting System	Scheduled	Whole of Branch
South Australia	Branch Councillor Members	15	Direct Voting	Schedule	Whole of Branch

- Important dates:

	Direct Voting System	Collegiate Electoral System
Nominations OPEN	First Monday in June (rule 7)	To be determined by returning officer, preference 1 July
Nominations CLOSE	28 days after nominations open (rule 19)	To be determined by returning officer, preference 15 July
Roll of Voters cut off date	7 days prior to nominations opening (rule 12.4)	7 days prior to nominations opening (rule 12.4)

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 [*Prescribed information for the election of officer and non-officer positions.*](#)

