

TASMANIA

ELECTORAL REGULATIONS 2025
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ELECTORAL REGULATIONS 2025

I, the Governor in and over the State of Tasmania and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, make the following regulations under the *Electoral Act 2004*.

Dated 31 January 2025.

B. BAKER
Governor

By Her Excellency's Command,

GUY BARNETT
Minister for Justice

1. Short title

These regulations may be cited as the *Electoral Regulations 2025*.

2. Commencement

These regulations take effect on
4 February 2025.

3. Interpretation

(1) In these regulations –

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Act means the *Electoral Act 2004*.

- (2) In these regulations, a reference to a form, identified with a number, is a reference to the form with that number set out in Schedule 1.

4. Contents of writ for election

For the purposes of section 67 of the Act –

- (a) a writ for the holding of an Assembly election is to be in accordance with Form 1; and
- (b) a writ for the holding of a Council election is to be in accordance with Form 2.

5. Printing order for subsequent batches of ballot papers

For the purposes of clause 4 of Schedule 3 to the Act, the printing order for subsequent batches of ballot papers is to be as specified in Schedule 2.

SCHEDULE 1 – FORMS

Form 1 – Writ for holding Assembly election

Regulation 4(a)

Tasmania

Electoral Act 2004

WRIT FOR HOLDING ASSEMBLY ELECTION

To the Returning Officer for the Division of *(insert name of Division)*.

I command that you conduct an election in accordance with the *Electoral Act 2004* for *(insert number)* member(s) of the House of Assembly for the Division of *(insert name of Division)*.

I fix the day on or before which candidates for election are to be nominated as *(insert date)*.

I specify the day on which polling for the election is to be held, in the event of the election being contested, as *(insert date)*.

I fix the day on or before which the writ is to be returned to the Governor as *(insert date)*.

Dated this day of 20.....

.....

Governor

By Her Excellency's Command,

.....
(signature and designation of appropriate Minister)

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This writ was received by me on

(insert date)

.....
Returning Officer for the Division of *(insert name of Division)*

I certify that I have declared

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.....
.....
.....

elected as the member(s) of the House of Assembly for the
Division of *(insert name of Division)*

.....
Returning Officer for the Division of *(insert name of Division)*

Dated this day of 20.....

I certify that this writ has been duly returned.

.....
Governor

Dated this day of 20.....

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Form 2 – Writ for holding Council election

Regulation 4(b)

Tasmania

Electoral Act 2004

WRIT FOR HOLDING COUNCIL ELECTION

To the Returning Officer for the Division of *(insert name of Division)*.

I command that you conduct an election in accordance with the *Electoral Act 2004* for one member of the Legislative Council for the Division of *(insert name of Division)*.

I fix the day on or before which candidates for election are to be nominated as *(insert date)*.

I **specify/*fix* the day on which polling for the election is to be held, in the event of the election being contested, as *(insert date)*.

I fix the day on or before which the writ is to be returned to the Governor as *(insert date)*.

Dated this day of 20.....

.....

Governor

By Her Excellency's Command,

.....
(signature and designation of appropriate Minister)

** Delete whichever is inapplicable.*

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This writ was received by me on

(insert date)

.....
Returning Officer for the Division of *(insert name of Division)*

I certify that I have declared

.....
elected as the member of the Legislative Council for the Division
of *(insert name of Division)*

.....
Returning Officer for the Division of *(insert name of Division)*

Dated this day of 20.....

I certify that this writ has been duly returned.

.....
Governor

Dated this day of 20.....

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SCHEDULE 2 – PRINTING ORDER

Regulation 5

1. *When there are 2 names in the column –*

2nd batch

B

A

2. *When there are 3 names in the column –*

2nd batch

3rd batch

B

C

C

A

A

B

3. *When there are 4 names in the column –*

2nd batch

3rd batch

4th batch

D

B

C

C

A

D

A

D

B

B

C

A

4. *When there are 5 names in the column –*

2nd batch

3rd batch

4th batch

5th batch

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C	E	D	B
A	C	E	D
E	D	B	A
B	A	C	E
D	B	A	C

5. *When there are 6 names in the column –*

2nd batch	3rd batch	4th batch	5th batch	6th batch
B	E	D	F	C
E	D	F	C	A
A	B	E	D	F
F	C	A	B	E
D	F	C	A	B
C	A	B	E	D

6. *When there are 7 names in the column –*

2nd batch	3rd batch	4th batch	5th batch	6th batch	7th batch
B	F	E	G	C	D
F	E	G	C	D	A
D	A	B	F	E	G
A	B	F	E	G	C

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G	C	D	A	B	F
E	G	C	D	A	B
C	D	A	B	F	E

7. *When there are 8 names in the column –*

2nd batch	3rd batch	4th batch	5th batch	6th batch	7th batch	8th batch
B	G	D	H	C	E	F
G	D	H	C	E	F	A
A	B	E	F	H	D	G
E	F	G	B	A	C	H
F	A	B	D	G	H	C
H	C	A	G	D	B	E
D	H	C	E	F	A	B
C	E	F	A	B	G	D

8. *When there are 9 names in the column –*

2nd batch	3rd batch	4th batch	5th batch	6th batch	7th batch	8th batch	9th batch
B	H	G	I	C	D	E	F
H	G	I	C	D	E	F	A
D	E	F	A	B	H	G	I
E	F	A	B	H	G	I	C

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F	A	B	H	G	I	C	D
A	B	H	G	I	C	D	E
I	C	D	E	F	A	B	H
G	I	C	D	E	F	A	B
C	D	E	F	A	B	H	G

9. *When there are 10 names in the column –*

2nd batch	3rd batch	4th batch	5th batch	6th batch	7th batch	8th batch	9th batch	10th batch
B	H	C	E	I	G	F	D	J
H	C	E	I	G	F	D	J	A
E	I	G	F	D	J	A	B	H
J	A	F	B	C	E	I	G	I
I	G	A	D	J	H	B	H	C
D	J	B	A	H	C	E	I	G
F	D	J	H	B	A	C	E	F
C	E	I	G	F	D	J	A	B
G	F	D	J	A	B	H	C	E
A	B	H	C	E	I	G	F	D

10. *When there are 11 names in the column –*

2nd batch	3rd batch	4th batch	5th batch	6th batch	7th batch	8th batch	9th batch	10th batch	11th batch
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B	I	C	D	J	G	F	E	K	H
I	C	D	J	G	F	E	K	H	A
D	J	G	F	E	K	H	A	B	I
J	B	K	C	A	H	I	F	E	G
A	G	F	H	K	I	C	B	D	J
K	H	A	E	B	C	G	D	J	K
F	E	H	A	I	B	D	J	I	C
E	K	I	B	D	J	A	C	G	F
C	D	J	G	F	E	K	H	A	B
G	F	E	K	H	A	B	I	C	D
H	A	B	I	C	D	J	G	F	E

11. *When there are 12 names in the column –*

2nd batch	3rd batch	4th batch	5th batch	6th batch	7th batch	8th batch	9th batch	10th batch	11th batch	12th batch
B	J	C	E	K	G	H	D	L	F	I
J	C	E	K	G	H	D	L	F	I	A
E	K	G	H	D	L	F	I	A	B	J
A	B	H	F	L	J	I	G	E	K	C
D	F	I	A	C	K	J	H	B	L	G
H	A	B	D	I	E	C	J	C	G	K

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I	D	L	J	A	F	B	E	K	J	H
K	L	J	I	B	A	G	C	D	E	F
L	G	F	C	E	B	K	A	H	D	L
C	E	K	G	H	D	L	F	I	A	B
G	H	D	L	F	I	A	B	J	C	E
F	I	A	B	J	C	E	K	G	H	D

12. When there are more than 12 names in the column, positions, other than favoured positions, are to be drawn by lot.

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Printed and numbered in accordance with the *Rules Publication Act 1953*.

Notified in the *Gazette* on 3 February 2025.

These regulations are administered in the Department of Justice.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations)

These regulations –

- (a) prescribe the contents of writs for elections; and
- (b) prescribe the printing order for names on batches of ballot papers subsequent to the first batch; and
- (c) are made consequentially on the repeal of the *Electoral Regulations 2015* under section 11 of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1992*.