

Application to register a third-party campaigner

Electoral Disclosure and Funding Act 2023 section 126

What is a third-party campaigner?

A third-party campaigner is a person or other entity that incurs more than \$5,000 of electoral expenditure during the election campaign period for a House of Assembly election in Tasmania. A third-party campaigner cannot also be a registered party, member, candidate or associated entity in a House of Assembly election.

Why register as a third-party campaigner?

A third-party campaigner must be registered with the Tasmanian Electoral Commission before making payments for electoral expenditure incurred, or accepting or making political donations in relation to a House of Assembly election. In addition to being required to register, third-party campaigners have disclosure obligations under the *Electoral Disclosure and Funding Act 2023*. When registering, third-party campaigners may choose to receive communications from the Tasmanian Electoral Commission providing education about their legislative obligations.

Registrations for third-party campaigners only remain current for one election event – either a House of Assembly general election or a House of Assembly by-election.

This form must be lodged with the Commission at least 8 days prior to polling day.

How to lodge this form

Completed applications and all documentation may be lodged in person, by post or by email:

In person:

Tasmanian Electoral Commission
294 Elizabeth Street, North Hobart TAS 7000

By post:

Tasmanian Electoral Commission
PO Box 307 Moonah TAS 7009

By email:

edf@tec.tas.gov.au

Queries? Please contact the TEC – 1800 801 701

Registering an official agent

Third-party campaigners are also required to register an official agent, who will act on the campaigner's behalf in electoral disclosure matters, with the Tasmanian Electoral Commission. The Commission recommends appointing an official agent at the time of registration as a third-party campaigner.

To register a third-party campaigner's official agent, please use the *Application to register an official agent* form.

If a third-party campaigner who is an individual person does not register an agent, the campaigner themselves is taken to be the official agent.

If a third-party campaigner that is a corporation does not register an agent, then the agent will be taken to be the financial controller of the third-party campaigner.

For a third-party campaigner that is an unincorporated entity, the third-party campaigner must, within 14 days of registration, apply to register a person as their official agent.

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Registration information (please print)

Third-party campaigner's full name

Third-party campaigner's address

Suburb

State

Postcode

Third-party campaigner's ABN (if the entity is a registered corporation)

Contact person

Email

Mobile phone

Other phone

I wish to receive information from the Tasmanian Electoral Commission about the disclosure and funding obligations for third party campaigners:

Y

The House of Assembly election/by-election for this registration:

Date

DD / MM / YYYY

Signature



Note: the Tasmanian Electoral Commission must be notified of any changes to the registration information above within 30 days of the change. Please use the *Change of registration details* form.

Who can access this information?

Section 130 of the *Electoral Disclosure and Funding Act 2023* allows for public inspection of a copy of the Register of Third-Party Campaigners at the Tasmanian Electoral Commission's office. This copy will not include the address of any individual that does not appear on the State electoral roll, nor will it include the contact phone number or email address of any individuals or entities.

The Tasmanian Electoral Commission will also publish a copy of the Register of Third-Party Campaigners to its website. This copy will not include the address of any individuals, nor the contact phone number or email address of any individuals or entities.

Failure to provide complete and accurate information about the third-party campaigner being registered may result in the Commission not accepting the registration.

For more information about third-party campaigners, please visit tec.tas.gov.au