

# Election Campaigns Fund advance payment claim timeframes

*Electoral Disclosure and Funding Act 2023*

This guideline is issued under section 173(1) of the *Electoral Disclosure and Funding Act 2023*, which allows the Tasmanian Electoral Commission to issue guidelines for any matters dealt with in the Act.

## Guideline

Under Section 136 of the *Electoral Disclosure and Funding Act 2023*, an eligible registered party may claim an advance payment from the Election Campaigns Fund. A successful claim is then paid, either as a lump sum or in instalments, at any time after the beginning of the election campaign period in relation to the election.

An Election Campaigns Fund advance payment claim from a registered party may be lodged with the Tasmanian Electoral Commission from the first day of the election campaign period until 10 business days before polling day for the general election.

The Tasmanian Electoral Commission will pay eligible Election Campaigns Fund advance payment claims to registered parties within 10 business days of the claim's lodgement with the Commission.

This applies to all claims for advance payments made in accordance with the following part of the *Electoral Disclosure and Funding Act 2023*:

- Part 11 – Public Funding of Assembly Election Campaigns

Note: the election campaign period of a House of Assembly general election begins on the earlier of either the day that is 6 months before the last day by which the election must be held or the day on which the dissolution of the Assembly occurs, and ends 30 days after polling day for the election.