



Audit certificate – Election summary return

For registered political parties

The *Electoral Act 1992* and the *Local Government Electoral Act 2011* require registered political parties to provide a certificate from an auditor with their election summary return for a state or local government election.

An auditor who provides an audit certificate for a return must not be, nor have ever been, a member of a political party, and must have the following qualifications:

- registration as an auditor under the Corporations Act;
- membership of CPA Australia Ltd ACN 008 392 452 and an entitlement to use the letters ‘CPA’ or ‘FCPA’;
- membership of the Institute of Public Accountants Ltd ACN 004 130 643 and an entitlement to use the letters ‘MIPA’ or ‘FIPA’;
- membership of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand ARBN 084 642 571 and an entitlement to use the letters ‘CA’ or ‘FCA’.

Lodgement timeframe

An audit certificate must be submitted with a registered political party's election summary return, which is due within **15 weeks** after election day for the election.

Enquiries and lodgements

Please direct all enquiries and lodgements to the Funding and Disclosure Unit by:

Email: fad@ecq.qld.gov.au
Telephone: 1300 881 665

Post: GPO Box 1393
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Part A: Details of the election

This audit certificate is for an election summary return for a (please tick one):

State government election / by-election

Local government election / by-election

Name of election / by-election

Date of election / by-election

Day Month Year

Part B: Details of registered political party

Name of registered
political party

Part C: Return summary

Total electoral
expenditure incurred

\$

Supporting schedules
(tick box if applicable)

I have attached schedules which support this summary and audit certificate.

Part D: Auditor's certification

Name of auditor

(given name, family name)

Auditor's opinion

I,

(given name, family name)

declare that I have the qualifications or experience to audit this return and am not, and never have been, a member of a political party.

I have carried out the audit and certify that I:

- a) was given full and free access at all reasonable times to the records related to a matter required to be disclosed in the return; and
- b) examined the accounts and documents mentioned in paragraph (a) that I considered material for giving the certificate; and
- c) received all the information and explanations I asked for in relation to any matter required to be stated in the certificate, subject to the qualifications, if any, stated in the certificate; and
- d) have no reason to think any statement in the declaration is not correct

Qualifications on the issue of this certificate:

Signature of
auditor

Date

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