

2024 NSW Local Government elections

The 2024 NSW Local Government elections will be held on Saturday, 14 September 2024. Key dates for the elections can be found on the NSW Electoral Commission's website elections.nsw.gov.au

Voting options include attendance in person on and before election day, postal voting and telephone assisted voting for electors who are blind or who have low vision.

Nominate as a Mayor or Councillor

You must lodge a nomination form either online or by obtaining nomination forms from our website elections.nsw.gov.au or the Returning Officer's office and lodging with the Returning Officer.

Candidates must also complete and lodge a candidate information sheet and statistical information sheet.

Lodge your nomination

The NSW Electoral Commission strongly encourages you to lodge your nomination online.

If using paper nomination forms, you must lodge your nomination and deposit with the Returning Officer for the council area in which you intend to stand as a candidate. Returning Officer office locations can be found on our website.

You are encouraged to start preparing your nomination now.

Nomination forms, grouping forms and nomination deposits **must be lodged between Monday, 5 August and 12 noon, Wednesday 14 August 2024.**

Late nominations cannot be accepted.

Registration for electoral funding purposes

Prior to being nominated, candidates and groups wishing to accept political donations or pay for electoral expenditure must first apply to the NSW Electoral Commission to be registered for electoral funding purposes. Only once registered is a candidate or group allowed to accept political donations and pay for electoral expenditure.

Candidates and groups can apply to be registered through the NSW Electoral Commission's online registration and disclosure system, Funding and Disclosure Online. Forms are also available by request at fdc@elections.nsw.gov.au or 1300 022 011.

Applications for registration for electoral funding purposes close on **Wednesday, 14 August 2024.**

To learn more, go to elections.nsw.gov.au/funding-and-disclosure

Further information

- Visit elections.nsw.gov.au
- Email the candidate helpdesk at candidates@elections.nsw.gov.au
- Call the candidate helpdesk on 1300 022 011.

If you are deaf, hard of hearing and/or have a speech impairment, please contact us through the National Relay Service (NRS). Choose your access option and ask for 1300 135 736.

If you need an interpreter, please call TIS National on 131 450 and ask them to call the NSW Electoral Commission on 1300 135 736.