Information for voters at local government elections

Tasmanian Electoral Commission

Am I eligible to be on the General Manager's electoral roll?

If you are on the House of Assembly (State) electoral roll in respect of an address within the municipal area in which you wish to cast your vote at a Council election, you are automatically enrolled. Enrolment on the State roll is compulsory for Australian citizens over the age of 18 residing in Tasmania.

If you wish to cast a vote at a local government election in respect of an address you own or occupy but you are **not entitled to be** on the State electoral roll for that municipal area, you can complete a general manager's roll enrolment form.

To be on the General Manager's roll you need to be:

- an owner or occupier of land in the municipal area,
- over the age of 18 years,
- not serving a term of imprisonment, and
- not subject to an initial order or continuing care order under the *Mental Health Act 1996* or an order under the *Guardianship and Administration Act 1995*.

A person who is resident in one municipal area and is also an owner or occupier of land in one or more other municipal areas, is entitled to enrol and vote in an election in respect of those municipal areas.

What happens when I send in my enrolment form?

Provided you have met the eligibility requirements, your name will be placed on the General Manager's roll for the municipal area.

You will also be sent a postal vote for each election for that municipal area.

Do I have to vote?

Voting at local government elections is not compulsory for electors on the General Manager's roll.

However following changes to the *Local Government Act 1993*, voting is now compulsory at local government elections for all electors on the State Roll.

Will all information on this form appear on the public version of the general manager's roll? What happens when I send in my enrolment form?

Electoral rolls are made available for public inspection and may be provided to:

- the Tasmanian Electoral Commission and contractors for the purpose of conducting council elections, and
- candidates in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Only your name and the address of the land you own or occupy within the municipal area will appear on the inspected version of the general manager's roll.

Where can I get more information?

You can get more information from your local council, or the Tasmanian Electoral Commission.

Queries? Please contact the TEC - 1800 801 701

General Manager's Roll Enrolment Form – Individual

To enrol a person who is not enrolled on the House of Assembly (State) electoral roll within this municipal area.

Please print

Municipal area (Council)

Address of land individual owns or occupies

Address

Postcode

Enrolment type:

☐ Option 1

I am **not enrolled** on the State roll for this municipal area.
(e.g .you are not an Australian Citizen),

AND

I **reside** in this municipal area at the address shown above.

☐ Option 2

I ☐ **own** or ☐ **occupy**

land in this municipal area at the address shown above. (e.g. leasing a shop or owning a shack)

Business name (if any)

AND

I **do not live** in this municipal area.

Home address

Postcode

Individual's details

Given names

Family name

Date of birth DD / MM / YYYY

Mobile phone

Email

Postal address (only if different from home address)

Postcode

Declaration

I am eligible to enrol for local government elections and the above information is true and complete.

Signature

Date DD / MM / YYYY

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