

Privacy statement – How the VEC uses member information

Information required from registered political parties regarding their members

During the registration process for political parties, the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) requires applicants to provide up-to-date information on their members.

- Mandatory details:
 - full name
 - residential address

We ask that these details match a person's enrolled details.

- Optional additional details:
 - postal address (if different from residential address)
 - date of birth
 - email address
 - phone number

Use of personal information

We use the information a political party provides to verify that the party has at least 500 eligible members as required by the *Electoral Act 2002* (Vic) (Electoral Act).

This verification process involves:

- checking members against the register of electors. While the Electoral Act only requires a political party to provide us with a member's name and address, providing a member's date of birth, phone number and/or email address may help us verify that they are on the register of electors.
- contacting party members to confirm that they meet eligibility requirements.

We handle all personal information in line with the *Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014* and our privacy policy.

Information we hold is subject to the *Public Records Act 1973* and must be disposed of under retention and disposal authorities.

Further information on privacy

Please see our privacy policy for more information or contact our privacy officer at privacy@vec.vic.gov.au.