

Audit Certificate Template for Associated Entities, Third Party Campaigners, Independent Elected Members and Non-Endorsed Candidates

Audit Certificate Template for Annual Returns

This audit certificate template is to be used by the Agent of an entity when submitting an annual return in the following scenarios.

Entity	Reason for annual return	Section of the <i>Electoral Act 2002</i>
Associated Entity	Financial year expenditure income and expenditure (Annual return)	217J
Third Party Campaigner	Financial year expenditure income and expenditure (Annual return)	217K
Independent Elected Member	Public funding, Administrative Expenditure funding	208(2), 207GC(1)
Non-Endorsed Candidate	Public funding	208(2)

A Registered Officer (RO) for a Registered Political Party must provide an audit certificate completed by a registered company auditor within the meaning of the *Corporations Act* (audit certificate template for Registered Political Parties).

For all other entities, the Registered Agent (RA) or default agent, must provide an audit certificate completed by an independent auditor advising the certificate has been audited in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards as specified in section 334(1) of the *Corporations Act* (audit certificate template for Associated Entities, Third Party Campaigners, Independent Elected Members and Non-Endorsed Candidates).

This template is made available to assist entities in meeting their reporting obligations. You are not required to use this template. Any audit certificate will be accepted if it meets the requirements as outlined in section 209 of the *Electoral Act 2002*.

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The information contained in this form is required under sections 207GD(2) and 209(2) of the *Electoral Act 2002* (the Act).
This audit certificate template is to be used by the Agent when submitting an annual return for the following entities.

Entity	Section of the <i>Electoral Act 2002</i>
Associated Entity	217J
Third Party Campaigner	217K
Independent Elected Member	208(2), 207GC(1)
Non-Endorsed Candidate	208(2)

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Name of Entity	
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Auditor Details			
Name		Title	
Street address		Postal address	
Suburb		Suburb	
State		State	
Post code		Post code	
Main contact phone number		Alternative phone number	
Email			

Period Return Relates to			
Period Commenced		Period Concluded	

Auditor's Comments

Qualifying Statement

I declare that I:

- a. was given full and free access at all reasonable times to all accounts, records, documents and papers relating directly or indirectly to any matter required to be specified in the statement; and
- b. examined the material referred to in paragraph (a) for the purpose of giving the certificate; and
- c. received all information and explanations that the auditor requested in respect of any matter required to be specified in the statement; and
- d. have no reason to believe that any matter stated in the statement is not correct.

I declare I am an independent auditor and the submission attached to this audit certificate has been audited in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards as specified in section 334(1) of the *Corporations Act*.

I declare that the information provided in this form is true and correct. I understand that providing false information or making a false declaration is a serious offence under sections 209 and 218A(3) of the *Electorate Act 2002*.

Name:

Signature:

Date:

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