

Audit Certificate Template for Registered Political Parties

Audit Certificate Template for Annual Returns

A registered political party must provide an audit certificate with the annual returns submitted for:

- Administrative Expenditure Funding
- Public Funding
- Policy Development Funding
- Financial Year Annual Return

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 agent must provide an audit certificate completed by an independent auditor advising the annual return has been audited in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards as specified in section 334(1) of the *Corporations Act* (audit certificate templates for Associated Entities, Nominated 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*.

Audit Certificate Template for Registered Political Parties

The information to be included in this form is required under sections 207GD(1), 209(1) and 215B(1) of the *Electoral Act* 2002 (the Act).

This form is to be used by a registered company auditor for a Registered Political Party when submitting an annual return under sections 208(1), 217I, 207GC(1) and 215A(4) of the Act.

Red fields are mandatory

Name of Registered Political Party

Select the Return that the Certificate is relevant to

Administrative Expenditure Funding

Policy Development Funding

Public Funding

Financial Year Annual Return

Auditor Details

Name		Title	
Audit provider company name			
Street address		Postal address	
Suburb		Suburb	
State		State	
Post code		Post code	
Contact phone number		Auditor provider company ABN	
Email			

Period Return Relates to

Period Commenced

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Period Concluded

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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 a registered company auditor within the meaning 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 *Electoral Act 2002*.

Name:	Signature:	ASIC Registration Number	Date: / /
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