



Nomination of a Senator

Information on this form is collected under the provisions of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*



form **59**

This form must be accompanied by one of the Nomination of a Senator forms 59a, 59b, 59d or 59e. Unendorsed candidates nominating as a group must also complete form 59c.

Notes to assist completion

Where the candidate is a part of a group the numbers in the boxes

Candidate	<input type="text"/>	of	<input type="text"/>
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should correspond with the **Order of candidates** section in the forms 59a, 59b or 59c.

Question 2 – Form in which given name(s) to appear on ballot paper

A given name for use on the ballot paper must be the candidate's name and may be:

- an initial standing for that name, or
- a commonly accepted variation of that name (including an abbreviation, truncation or alternative form of that name).

Question 3

In accordance with the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* candidates' place of residence is stated and displayed at the declaration of nominations, which takes place 24 hours after nominations close, unless they are enrolled as a silent elector. Candidates other than those with silent enrolment must show their residential address and indicate whether they authorise the AEC to otherwise release this address to the public.

Question 4

If a postal address is provided, candidates should indicate whether they authorise the AEC to release the postal address to the public.

Question 5

The AEC may need to contact candidates or their representatives regarding their candidacy. Please provide sufficient contact details to provide a clear communication channel. Candidates should indicate which, if any, contact details are to be made public.

Question 6

Occupation must be stated. Senators standing for re-election are entitled to show their occupation as Senator.

Please tick the appropriate box to indicate gender.

Question 7

Candidates endorsed by registered political parties should provide the party name (either in the abbreviated form or full party name). These details will appear on the ballot paper under the candidate name.

Candidates nominated by 100 electors can elect to have the word *Independent* shown under their name on the ballot paper.

Candidate information on AEC website

After the declaration of nominations, the AEC publishes candidate information to its website. This includes name, occupation and any address and contact details candidates have agreed on this form to make publicly available.

Candidate statement and declaration

Please read the candidate statement and declaration carefully before signing the nomination form.

Your attention is drawn in particular to **section 44 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia**:

Any person who:

- is under any acknowledgment of allegiance, obedience, or adherence to a foreign power, or is a subject or a citizen or entitled to the rights or privileges of a subject or a citizen of a foreign power; or
- is attainted of treason, or has been convicted and is under sentence, or subject to be sentenced, for any offence punishable under the law of the Commonwealth or of a State by imprisonment for one year or longer; or
- is an undischarged bankrupt or insolvent; or
- holds any office of profit under the Crown, or any pension payable during the pleasure of the Crown out of any of the revenues of the Commonwealth; or
- has any direct or indirect pecuniary interest in any agreement with the Public Service of the Commonwealth otherwise than as a member and in common with the other members of an incorporated company consisting of more than twenty-five persons;

shall be incapable of being chosen or of sitting as a Senator or a member of the House of Representatives.

But subsection (iv) does not apply to the office of any of the Queen's Ministers of State for the Commonwealth, or of any of the Queen's Ministers for a State, or to the receipt of pay, half pay, or a pension, by any person as an officer or member of the Queen's navy or army, or to the receipt of pay as an officer or member of the naval or military forces of the Commonwealth by any person whose services are not wholly employed by the Commonwealth.

Candidates who have any doubts about their eligibility, by virtue of section 44 of the Constitution, are advised to obtain their own legal advice.

For further information refer to the *Candidates Handbook* and the *Nomination Guide*.

*Answering 'Yes' to the question about eligibility under section 44 of the Constitution asserts eligibility.

If the candidate is an independent Senator, elected as an unendorsed candidate at the previous election, and is not endorsed by a registered political party, the nomination form need only be signed by at least one other person entitled to vote at the election.

Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

A nomination form which has not been signed by the candidate cannot be accepted.

This form cannot be submitted until after the writ for the election has been issued.

Appointment of Candidate Agent

Candidates have the option of appointing an Agent to act on their behalf under the election funding and financial disclosure provisions of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*. If you choose to appoint an Agent you should complete an *Appointment of Candidate Agent form* and lodge it with the AEC before the close of nominations. Copies are available from AEC offices and the AEC website at www.aec.gov.au



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If completing by hand please write clearly and use BLOCK LETTERS and black or blue ink

Please read the notes on page 1 before completing this form

To the Australian Electoral Officer for the State/Territory of Candidate of If applicable

1. Your name(s) as they appear on the Commonwealth Electoral Roll or, if not enrolled, the name(s) under which you are qualified to enrol

Family name

Given name(s)

2. Given name(s) as you want them to appear on the ballot paper OR

If same as above, tick the box

3. Do you have silent enrolment on the Commonwealth electoral roll?

Yes You are not required to disclose your residential address **Go to Question 4**

No Please complete your residential address details

State Postcode

Do you authorise the AEC to release this address to the public? Yes No

4. Postal address OR

If same as residential address provided above, tick the box

State Postcode

Do you authorise the AEC to release this address to the public? Yes No

5. Contact details

The nomination form will be displayed publicly at the declaration of nominations.

Which contact details do you authorise the AEC to release to the public? Please indicate by ticking either the Yes or No box on each line.

Phone	BH (<input type="text"/>)	Yes	No
	AH (<input type="text"/>)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fax	(<input type="text"/>)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mobile	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. Occupation and Gender Male Female Unknown

7. I have been endorsed by a registered political party

Yes Name of registered political party

No I request that the word 'Independent' be printed on the ballot paper adjacent to my name Yes No

CANDIDATE STATEMENT AND DECLARATION – Please read the statement on page 1 carefully before signing the nomination form.

I, the candidate named above state that I am an Australian citizen by:

Birth Date of birth

Place of birth

Naturalisation Date citizenship granted

Other means Details

I am at least 18 years of age Yes No

I am an elector or qualified to be an elector Yes No

I am not, by virtue of section 44 of the Constitution, incapable of being chosen or of sitting as a Senator (see page 1*) Yes No

and I declare that:

- I am qualified under the Constitution and the laws of the Commonwealth to be elected as a Senator.
- I am not, and do not intend to be, a candidate in any other election to be held on the same day as the election to which the above nomination relates.
- I consent to act as a Senator for the State/Territory named above if elected.
- I wish my given name(s) to appear on the ballot paper in the form shown at Question 2 above.

Signature of candidate

Date

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