CPSU, the Community and Public Sector Union

SPSF Group New South Wales Branch

ELECTION NOTICE – E2026/135 - Stage 2

Casual Vacancy election

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

Candidates are responsible for ensuring their nomination is received by the Returning Officer **BEFORE nominations close.**

Nominations are called for:

Community and Public Sector Union-NSW Branch	Positions
Delegate to Federal Council	1

Election Timeline	Date
Nominations open	Monday 23 November 2026
Absent vote applications close	4:00pm Australian Eastern Daylight Time (AEDT) on Sunday 6 December 2026
Nominations close	At a time specified during the Branch Council meeting on Monday 7 December 2026
Nomination withdrawal Requests to withdraw a nomination must be submitted in writing and signed by the candidate.	Nominations may be withdrawn up until the time specified at the Branch Council meeting on Monday 7 December 2026, prior to the commencement of the printing of ballot papers.
If no absent vote applications have been received	
Voting Period	The ballot will be conducted at the Branch Council meeting on 07/12/2026 and close at the time determined by the Returning Officer during the meeting. The scrutiny will be conducted following the close of the ballot.
If any absent vote applications have been received	
In-person	A ballot of those present will be open and close at the Branch Council meeting on 7 December 2026
Postal voting opens (for eligible members who submitted an absentee vote application)	Tuesday 8 December 2026
Postal voting closes	10:00am Australian Eastern Daylight Time (AEDT) on Tuesday 5 January 2027

Nomination lodgement

Nominations must be lodged using one of the following methods:

1. **By email:** A fully completed nomination form, including all necessary signatures, may be scanned and emailed to **IEBnominations@aec.gov.au**.

PLEASE NOTE:

1.1 Total size of the email and attachments should not exceed 6 MB. Emails identified as spam may be blocked, and it is the sender's responsibility to ensure the nomination email is received by the Returning Officer before the deadline. Emails must use the following subject line: "**E2026/135 – Stage 2 – CPSU -SPSF NSW – nomination *[Candidate name]***".

1.2 Nomination forms must be submitted as separate PDF files, with one PDF for each candidate and each office.

2. **By portal:** Visit the Australian Electoral Commission Portal at **www.aec.gov.au/ieb.** From this page, select **"Access the electoral event portal,"** then click **"Current industrial elections."** Locate and select your election and access the nomination documents.
3. **By hand:** Prior to the close of nominations at the Branch Council meeting to be held on Monday, 7 December 2026, at 160 Clarence Street, Sydney NSW 2000.

Nominations Close and Acknowledgement

You will receive an acknowledgement confirming receipt of your nomination. After the close of nominations, submissions will be reviewed for eligibility and compliance with the organisation's rules. Where issues are identified, the Returning Officer will notify the relevant candidates and specify a timeframe for rectification.

Contact us to:

- check the status of your nomination
- confirm your eligibility to vote
- request a replacement postal vote pack if you have not received one by Friday 18 December 2026
- make any other enquiries

By Email	By Phone
IEBevents@aec.gov.au	02 9375 6366 or 03 9285 7111

Post-Election Report

A copy of the AEC's post-election report can be obtained from the organisation or from the returning officer after the completion of the election.

Privacy

The AEC handles personal information in accordance with our Privacy Policy. Further information can also be found in the relevant AEC Privacy page and the IEB collection notice.

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Monday 23 November 2026

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