## Audit certificate template for associated entities, nominated 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 an independent auditor in support of an annual return in the following scenarios:

Entity	Reason for annual return	Section of the <i>Electoral Act 2002</i>
Associated entity	Financial year annual return	217J
Nominated entity	Financial year annual return	217L
Third-party campaigner	Financial year annual return	217K
Independent elected member	Public funding, administrative expenditure funding	208(2), 207GC(1)
Non-endorsed candidate	Public funding	208(2)

For all entities other than a registered political party, 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, 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 associated entities, nominated entities, third-party campaigners, independent elected members and non-endorsed candidates

The information to be included 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 an independent auditor in support of the annual return for the following entities:

Entity	Section of the <i>Electoral Act 2002</i>
Associated entity	217J
Nominated entity	217L
Third-party campaigner	217K
Independent elected member	208(2), 207GC(1)
Non-endorsed candidate	208(2)

Fields marked with an * are mandatory					
* Name of audited entity	Brian Burnham				
* Select the return that the certificate is relevant to					
Administrative expenditure funding			Policy development funding		
Public funding	c funding		Financial year annual return		
Period return relates to					
* Period started	0 1 / 0 7 / 2 0 2 2		* Period ended	3 0 / 0 6 / 2 0 2 3	
Auditor details					
* Name	Carla Example		* Title	Mrs	
* Auditor provider company name	Example Accounting				
* Street address	101 Example Road		Postal address		
* Suburb	Melbourne		Suburb		
* State	VIC		State		
* Postcode	3000		Postcode		
* Contact phone number	0400 111 111		* Audit provider company ABN	11 111 111 111	
* Email	carla@exampleaccounting.com.au				

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 Electoral Act 2002.

* Name:	* Signature:		* Date:		
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