

Application for Endorsement 2025 State Election

Thank you for taking part in The Nationals WA candidate selection process. This Application for Endorsement is the first step in your preselection journey.

The purpose of this application is to ensure that the Party has a thorough understanding of an applicant's background in the event that they become a preselected candidate for the Party. This information will help ensure that any issues raised during an election campaign can be dealt with quickly. *If insufficient space is provided, please type in the box, "refer to attachment A etc"*

There are questions within this application form which might ordinarily be regarded as invasive or may make you feel uncomfortable. Unfortunately, in modern politics, candidates for parliamentary election, and those successfully elected, have very limited rights to privacy in terms of their personal, professional or business backgrounds. The Nationals WA has a responsibility to maintain the integrity and reputation of the Party in the eyes of its members, supporters and the wider public.

Full and frank disclosure is fundamental to the application process, and any inaccuracy or omission in the answers you provide may result in your exclusion as a candidate for endorsement.

All information you provide within this application is viewed only by members of The Nationals WA Candidate Selection Committee and held under strict confidence.

A Police Clearance not more than 3 months old must accompany this application.

A non-refundable application fee of \$500 (*inc. GST*) applies and is required to be paid prior to the advertised closing date of your nomination. An application is considered incomplete if payment is not received on time. How this fee is collected can be discussed with the State Director.

Payment to:-

EFT BSB: 633-000 Acct: 139 872 022 Reference: AOE25 [LAST NAME]

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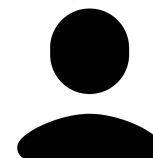
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Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applicants who fail to provide the relevant documents will forfeit their application and their non-refundable application fee.

For further information, and to submit your application, contact statedirector@nationalswa.com.

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Please attach a headshot photo with this application



Legislative Assembly Legislative Council

Electorate

Are you a financial member of The Nationals WA?

Yes No Branch

Last Name: Given Name/s:

Residential Address:

Postal Address if Different:

Electoral Roll Address (if same as residential, write residential):

Phone: Mobile:

Email Address:

Age: Dated of Birth: Place of Birth:

Marital Status: Age/s of all Children:

Are you an Australian citizen? Yes No

Do you hold, or are you entitled to hold, citizenship in another Country? Yes No

Are you currently living in the electorate for which you are seeking endorsement? Yes No

Years resident in Australia Years resident in WA

Nomination References

Please provide the details of two current financial members of That Nationals WA who nominate you for preselection.

Nominator 1

Name Mobile Email

Nominator 2

Name Mobile Email

I confirm that I have contacted my nominators and that they are happy to act as referees.

Political Activities

When did you join the Nationals WA?

Why did you join the Nationals WA?

Have you ever been a member of a political party, other than the Nationals WA?

Yes No If so, which party

Have you previously sought elected office (including in local government and any previous applications for endorsement by the Nationals WA or the National Party of Australia)?

Yes No If so, which seat

Have you ever worked, voluntarily or otherwise, for a candidate or political party, including providing financial assistance?

Yes No If so, which candidate/party?

The Nationals WA Positions and Experience

Set out in full the details of the Nationals WA activities undertaken by you at each level and the position held in each Party Unit.

Please specify the name of the Party Unit and the year(s) that the position(s) was/were held. If any Party Unit if not applicable to you (e.g. Young Nationals), please leave it blank.

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Outline any significant contributions you have made to the Nationals WA in terms of leadership, innovation, policy direction, political thought, or administration.

Reasons for Seeking Endorsement

Why did you decide to apply for endorsement to be the Nationals WA candidate for your nominated electorate?

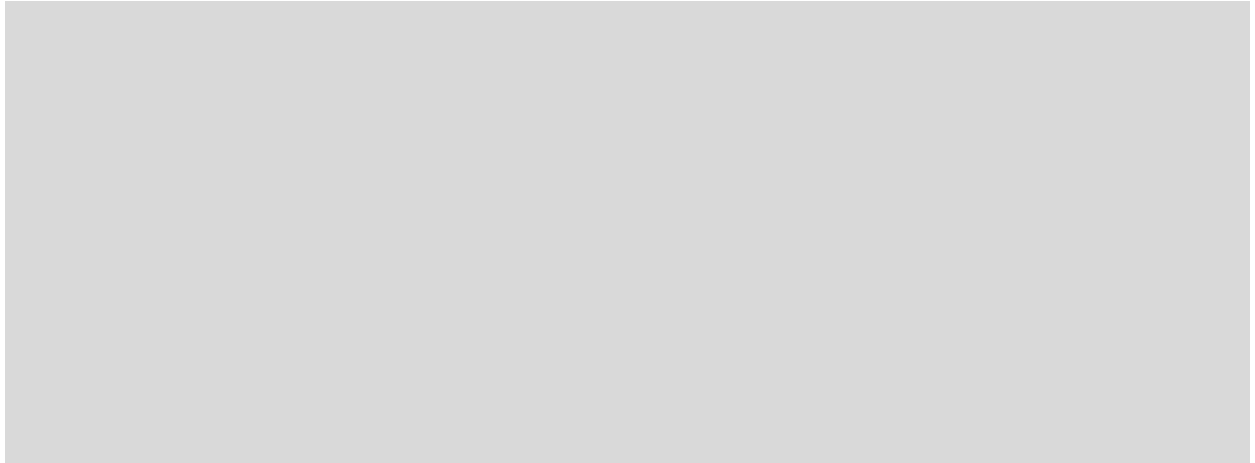
What skills and experience (including any campaign skills, local networks, fundraising experience) do you feel make you well-suited to being the Nationals WA candidate for your nominated electorate?

Awards and Honours

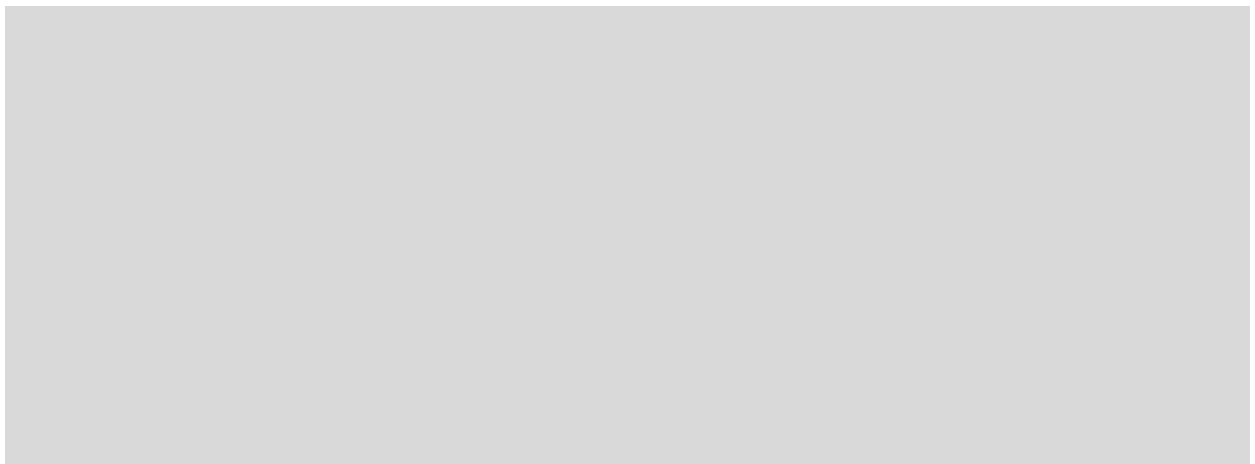
Please list any awards, citations, honours, medals or bursaries, if any (including the name of award/citation/honour/medal, institution/organisation and date awarded/conferred)

Education Qualifications and Employment History

Please list every secondary and post-secondary educational institution attended, years of attendance and levels of qualifications. Applicants may be required to provide evidence of such qualification claims.



Please list your current employment, with a brief description of the position you have, include previous employment history giving dates, length of service, name and address of employers and reasons for leaving.



Consistency of information

Prior to submitting your application, all applicants are to ensure that ALL listed items in your application that also appears in any other publicly-available profiles (e.g. LinkedIn, Facebook), then the relevant details appear in a consistent manner in all places*. (i.e. details match for start and end dates, position titles, employer/community group names, qualification/award titles, organisation names and conferral dates.)

Financial Interests

Is the income derived from your employment outlined above your primary source of income?

Yes No If No, please provide details

Do you have any sources of income, income producing assets, shares, securities, family trusts or self-managed super funds that you would or may have to divest or alter to avoid actual or perceived conflicts of interest?

Yes No

Are you up to date with your business and personal tax returns?

Yes No

Have you personally ever filed for or been declared bankrupt?

Yes No

Do you, or have you ever owned your own business as a sole proprietor or through a partnership, trust or company?

Yes No

If yes, please provide details including name, type of business and dates of ownership.

Have you, or any business you own or have owned, been involved in any cases of unfair labour practices, discrimination, professional negligence, or any other matter pertinent to your ability to stand as a political candidate?

Yes No If yes, please provide additional information

Social Media and Online Accounts

Please disclose all current active accounts as well as all previous/inactive accounts, including under any different surnames, any informal names by which you are known, and any online pseudonyms that accounts may have been created in and closed. Include all blogging, published articles and websites. The purpose of these sites.

Please provide all relevant usernames and URLs/website links to public/private profiles of the above accounts. If an account is no longer in use or deleted, please still provide as much information as you can for it.

Health

Do you have a medical condition that could affect your ability to serve as a candidate and Member of Parliament?

Yes No

If, so, please provide details

General Disclosure

If endorsed as a Nationals WA candidate, you can expect considerable scrutiny of your personal and private affairs, as well as your public and business dealings. Matters that you consider private may not be treated accordingly by the media and your political opponents.

Disclosing any potential publicity risks now allows for those risks to be assessed and managed. It is also fundamental to satisfying the duty of full and frank disclosure that is required of applicants.

Failure to disclose any and all risks in full may be a cause for your exclusion as a candidate for preselection, or disendorsement if you are ultimately selected as the Nationals WA candidate.

Is there anything in your past or present about which, if it were to become publicly known, might distract from the campaign, or cause embarrassment to the Party, or you as a candidate?

Yes No

Is there anything else you wish to disclose, or any other comments you wish to provide?

Declaration

I Declare

1. All information provided in my Application for Endorsement are true, correct, current, and complete in all respects.
2. Moreover, in consideration for being considered for selection as a candidate in accordance with the Constitution and Rules of the The Nationals WA for the forthcoming State election (Election), I agree to the following:
 - a) I will immediately provide any further information required by the State Director and undertake to consult with the State Director or to any anyone authorised by the State Director, of any change or the intention to make change to my personal circumstances (including a change of residential address or name) or commitments made in connection with the selection, or campaign;
 - b) I acknowledge that I may, but am not required to:
 - i. confirm that I have submitted an Application for Endorsement; and
 - ii. discuss my Application for Endorsement with members of The Nationals WA, whether or not they are or may be preselectors, provided that:
 - iii. I disclose that I am participating in the Applicant Review process; and
 - iv. I do not disclose the result of my Applicant Review process to any person at any time except with the prior consent of the State Director; and
 - v. I do not obtain, seek, or receive any improper access to The Nationals WA's confidential membership or other information; and
 - vi. I do not comment on or discuss any other actual or potential applicant(s);
 - c) I will not:
 - i. actively campaign for selection as a candidate; or
 - ii. obtain, seek or receive the public endorsement of other people, whether or not they are members of the Nationals WA between the time that nominations opened and the time that the Nationals WA State Secretariat publicly confirms the names of the applicants to be considered for endorsement;
 - d) I will not make any statement or comment to a journalist or media organisation in relation to my Application for Endorsement, any other actual or potential applicant(s) or the Applicant Review process.
 - e) In relation to publicly confirming that I have submitted an Application for Endorsement:
 - i. if I am currently an elected representative seeking endorsement for the position that I hold, I acknowledge that I may confirm that I have submitted an Application for Endorsement to a journalist or media organisation without requiring the further approval of the President or State Director provided no further comment is made, or

- ii. if I am not currently an elected representative, or I am currently an elected representative seeking endorsement for a different position from the one that I hold, I acknowledge that I may confirm that I have submitted an Application for Endorsement to a journalist or media organisation only with the prior approval of the President or the State Director, and that no further comment may be made;
- f) If I am not selected as a candidate:
 - i. I will accept and abide by the decision as having been made in the best interests of The Nationals WA;
 - ii. I will not contest the Election or in any way support any candidate or party in opposition to The Nationals WA endorsed candidate;
 - iii. I will not engage in any conduct designed to or having the effect of disparaging The Nationals endorsed candidate or The Nationals WA or engage in any other conduct which may adversely impact upon the electoral prospects of The Nationals WA or its endorsed candidate;
- g) If I am selected as a candidate:
 - i. I acknowledge I am bound by the Constitution and Rules of the Nationals WA and I will support and advocate its objectives, policies, and election platform, and will not advocate policies which are inconsistent with them;
 - ii. I will comply with any lawful directive of the State Director and the State Secretariat of the Nationals WA and any decision of the State Executive, State Council, Central Campaign Committee, and my local Campaign Committee;
 - iii. I will do all things and sign all documents as requested to ensure compliance with relevant electoral laws;
 - iv. I acknowledge that if I am successful in being endorsed as a candidate, a Candidate Agreement will be required to be signed that outlines specific campaign and other requirements, and I undertake to acquaint myself with its terms and raise any issues in relation to it at the earliest opportunity;
 - v. I will conduct my campaign within such budgets and financial limits as are approved by my local Campaign Committee and the Central Campaign Committee. I agree that should I not do so I will be personally liable for any additional expense incurred and should The Nationals WA pay any such additional expense it will immediately become a debt due and owing by me to The Nationals WA;
 - vi. I will abide by the financial policies of The Nationals WA;
 - vii. I will not accept any donation or other benefit whether in money or in kind, which imposes upon me a guarantee, pledge or undertaking, or which places or might place me in a position in which there could be a conflict between my personal interest and my duties to The Nationals WA and/or as a Member of Parliament, should I be elected;

viii. I will ensure that my campaign and any fundraising is conducted in accordance with the law including any fundraising disclosure requirements;

ix. I acknowledge that during my term as a Member of Parliament the Party may impose a charge, fee, or levy on members of the Party who are members of the Western Australian Parliament by by-law, resolution of the State Executive, or otherwise and agree that, if it does so, I will pay the charge, fee, or levy in accordance with the terms of payment stipulated by the Party, including any additional amounts imposed in respect of late payment;

x. If asked to do so by the State Director, I will make such arrangements and sign such documents as may be required for the charge, fee, or levy to be paid by direct debit, charge against my credit card, or otherwise as the State Director may stipulate;

xi. If I do not comply with the above, I acknowledge that I may be disendorsed as a candidate and could face disciplinary action under the Constitution and Rules of The Nationals WA.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Thank you!

Thank you for submitting you application for endorsement.

Selecting high quality candidates is critical to our future as an organisation and to WA's future prosperity and you should be proud of stepping forward for selection.

From here, your application will be received and reviewed by the State Director to ensure it is complete. The State Director will be in touch to run you through the next steps in the process and to clarify any questions remaining on any element of your application. Once satisfied, your application will be provided to the Candidate Selection Committee for consideration and due diligence. As part of the candidate selection process, you will be required to take part in a Candidate Interview, which is conducted in-person and most likely in Perth.

As you have just agreed to in signing the Candidate Declaration, you are required not to comment to any party members or general public about your application, other than to confirm you have submitted one. It is in your best interests to adhere to this requirement until such time you have been approved by the Candidate Selection Committee.

Once again thank you for applying to be endorsed as a candidate for The Nationals WA.

Please submit your completed application via email to statedirector@nationalswa.com or hand deliver to State Secretariat office at: Level 1, 43 Ventnor Avenue West Perth