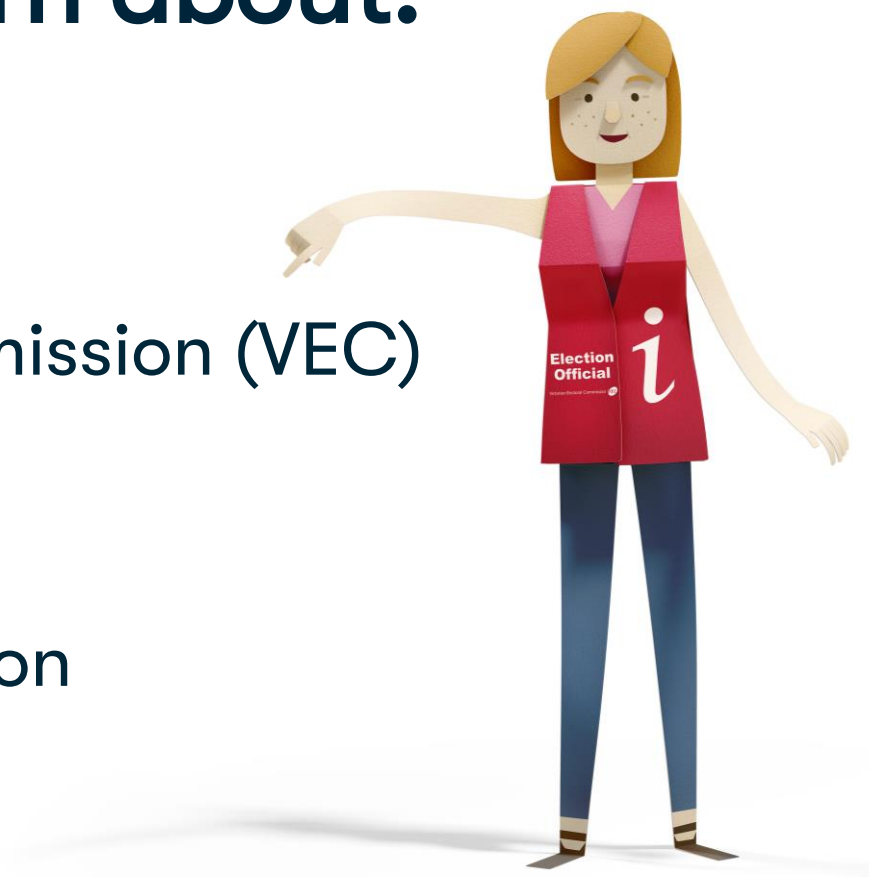


# Be Heard: voter information session

I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the lands on which we meet today, and pay my respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging, and any other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders here today.

# In today's session you will learn about:

- the role of the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC)
- why voting is important
- how to enrol to vote in Victoria
- how to vote in the Victorian state election



# What does the VEC do?

The Victorian Electoral Commission:

- Organises the State and local council elections.
- Is independent of political parties and is always impartial.
- Looks after the electoral roll.



# Voting is....

- **being heard** on issues that are important
- everyone's **human right**
- the **responsibility** of every eligible Australian citizen
- about expressing **choice** as to who is the best person to represent 'me' in the parliament
- about being **part of the decision-making** process.



# The State election on 26 November decides who will be in government in Victoria

## Parliament of Victoria



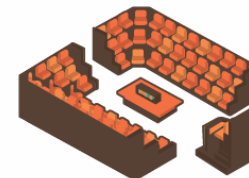
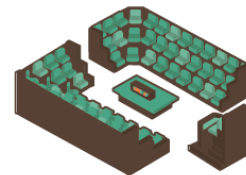
## Premier



## Legislative Assembly Legislative Council

Lower House

Upper House



In the 2022 State election, you will be voting for candidates to represent you in the Parliament of Victoria.

# Who can vote in Australia?

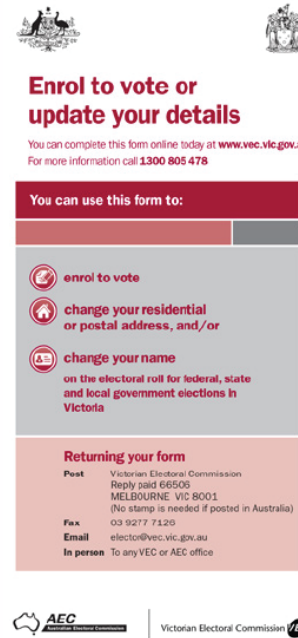
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**Australian citizen**



**Enrolled**

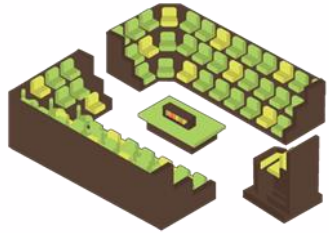


You must enrol to vote, or update your details on the roll, by:  
**8 pm on Tuesday 8 November 2022**

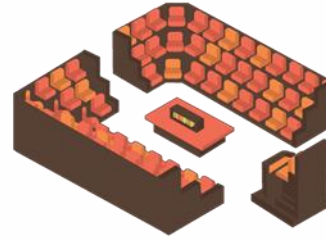
<https://www.vec.vic.gov.au/information-in-your-language>

# To vote in the state election you will:

## Get two separate ballot papers



A ballot paper for the Legislative Assembly (Lower House)



A ballot paper for the Legislative Council (Upper House)

**Ballot Paper**  
DISTRICT OF  
**District Name**

Number the boxes 1 to 8 in the order of your choice.

- CANDIDATE, NameA  
PARTY NAME
- CANDIDATE, NameB
- CANDIDATE, NameC  
PARTY NAME
- CANDIDATE, NameD  
PARTY NAME
- CANDIDATE, NameE
- CANDIDATE, NameF
- CANDIDATE, NameG
- CANDIDATE, NameH  
PARTY NAME

**Ballot Paper** REGION OF **Region Name**  
*For your vote to count, you must vote in either one of the two ways described below.*  
Election of 5 members of the Legislative Council

**EITHER**  
Place the number 1 in one, and one only of these squares to indicate your choice.

<input type="checkbox"/>	OR	<input type="checkbox"/>	OR	<input type="checkbox"/>	OR	<input type="checkbox"/>	OR	<input type="checkbox"/>	OR	<input type="checkbox"/>	OR	<input type="checkbox"/>
A		B		C		D		E		F		G
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**OR**  
Place the numbers 1 to at least 5 in the squares to indicate your choice.

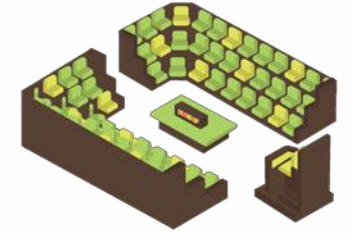
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# You must vote on each ballot paper.





# How do I vote for the Legislative Assembly?



## Ballot Paper

DISTRICT OF  
**District Name**

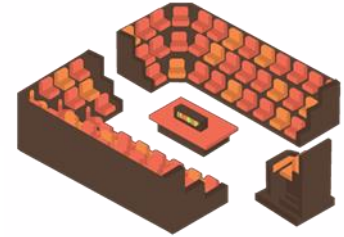
Number the *boxes 1 to 8*  
in the order of your choice.

- 4 CANDIDATE, NameA  
PARTY NAME
- 2 CANDIDATE, NameB
- 7 CANDIDATE, NameC  
PARTY NAME
- 1 CANDIDATE, NameD  
PARTY NAME
- 5 CANDIDATE, NameE
- 6 CANDIDATE, NameF
- 8 CANDIDATE, NameG
- 3 CANDIDATE, NameH  
PARTY NAME

- Write the number '1' next to the person you would most like to win the election.
- Number every other box in order of who you next most want to win.
- Every box needs to be **numbered** for your vote to be counted.
- Use each number **only once**.
- Do not use ticks or crosses.



# How do I vote for Legislative Council? continued..



## Option 2 – Below the line

**Ballot Paper** REGION OF **Region Name**  
 Election of 5 members of the Legislative Council

*For your vote to count, you must vote in either one of the two ways described below.*

**EITHER**

Place the number 1 in one, and one only of these squares to indicate your choice.

A OR B OR C OR D OR E OR F OR G

PARTY NAME PARTY NAME PARTY NAME PARTY NAME PARTY NAME PARTY NAME PARTY NAME

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**OR**

Place the numbers 1 to at least 5 in the squares to indicate your choice.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	UNGROUPED
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- Number at least 5 boxes below the line in order of the candidates you most want to win.
- You must number at least 5 boxes for your vote to be counted.
- You can number more than 5 boxes.

# Help with voting

- You can ask for help or bring someone to help you.
- Check voting centre access at [www.vec.vic.gov.au](http://www.vec.vic.gov.au) or Election Guide
- All early voting centres will have a hearing loop.
- Translated voting instructions on the back of voting screens.
- Braille ballot papers can be ordered from the VEC ahead of the election.
- Ask for a magnifying sheet and a maxi pencil at the voting centre when you vote.



# Help with voting continued...

- If you make a mistake on a ballot paper at a voting centre, ask one of our staff for help.
- Take your time, there is no hurry.



# State elections are attendance elections

Voters can cast their vote at any voting centre in Victoria on election day (26 November 2022).

There are also options for:

- early voting
- postal voting
- overseas and interstate voting.



# What to do if you are away during the election

## You can still vote



Vote early (14-25 Nov)

Tell us you are away: complete Away from Victoria form

Apply for an online postal vote

If interstate: vote in person at any electoral commission head office

If overseas: vote in person at selected Australian embassies

- If these are not possible or you choose not to vote, keep your travel ticket.
- After the election, you might get a letter from us. Reply to the letter explaining you were out of Victoria and attach your travel ticket as proof.

# Support for the community

- Book voter education with us  
<https://www.vec.vic.gov.au/voting/learn-to-vote/book-an-information-session>
- In-language videos  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/electionsvic>
- Flooded areas
  - Waiting to hear from the State government



# Work with the VEC

- At elections <https://www.vec.vic.gov.au/work-with-us/careers-at-the-vec>
- Internship
- Democracy Ambassador role

# You can find more information at:



[vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au)

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# Thank you for your attention

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