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Your official guide to the 2017 New England by-election SATURDAY 2 DECEMBER 2017

NEW ENGLAND BY-ELECTION 2017

This guide is only relevant to people who are enrolled to vote in the federal electoral Division of New England in New South Wales.



VOTING IS COMPULSORY
FOR AUSTRALIAN CITIZENS
AGED 18 YEARS AND OVER

The New England by-election will be held on Saturday 2 December 2017. Polling places open at 8am and close at 6pm sharp.

Why?

You will be voting for a representative for the federal electoral Division of New England in the House of Representatives. The by-election is being held following a decision of the High Court (sitting as the Court of Disputed Returns) that resulted in a vacancy.

What if I can't make it?

If you can't make it to a polling place in the federal electoral Division of New England on by-election day, you may be entitled to vote early. For more information visit www.aec.gov.au/new-england or call 13 23 26.

By post

You can apply for a postal vote online at www.aec.gov.au/pva. Applications are also available from AEC offices. The AEC must receive your application as soon as possible and by no later than 6pm AEDT Wednesday 29 November 2017.

Who has to vote?

If you are enrolled in the federal electoral Division of New England you are required to vote in the by-election. If you are not sure if you are enrolled in the Division of New England, you should check your enrolment information at www.aec.gov.au/check, or call 13 23 26 if you need help.

In person

If you are entitled to vote early, you can vote at an early voting centre (below) or AEC office from Tuesday 14 November to Friday 1 December 2017.

ARMIDALE

119 Rusden Street

INVERELL

To be confirmed

GLEN INNES

306 Grey Street

SCONE

St Luke's Hall
75 Liverpool Street

TAMWORTH

498 Peel Street

TENTERFIELD

Tenterfield Memorial Hall
96 Molesworth St

What happens at the polling place on by-election day?

- 1 In the polling place an official will ask you for your full name and address, and if you have voted before in the 2017 New England by-election. Your name will be marked off the electoral roll.



- 2 You will be given your green ballot paper for the House of Representatives. You should read the instructions on the ballot paper carefully.



- 3 Complete your ballot paper. You must number every box to make your vote count.



- 4 Once you have completed your ballot paper, fold it and place it in the ballot box provided.

Remember, if you need help, you can ask a polling official.



Where?

You can vote at any polling place in the federal electoral Division of New England on by-election day. The final list of polling places will be published in *The Armidale Express* and *The Tamworth Times*, along with a list of candidates, on Wednesday 29 November 2017.

At the time of printing this publication, the locations of some polling places were yet to be confirmed.

Final locations are published and available at

www.aec.gov.au/new-england.

Aberdeen Public School

Arding Uniting Church Hall

Armidale, Newling Public School

Armidale City Public School

Armidale Town Hall

Armidale, Ben Venue Public School

Armidale, Drummond Memorial Public School

Ashford Memorial Hall

Attunga Public School

Barraba, Bicentennial Community Centre

Ben Lomond Public School

Bendemeer Public School

Bingara, The Roxy Theatre

Black Mountain Public School

Blackville Public School

Blandford Public School

Bonshaw Memorial Hall

Bundarra Central School

Calala, Carinya Christian School

Caroona Mechanics Institute

Cassilis Public School

Currabubula War Memorial Hall

Dangarsleigh School of Arts

Delungra Public School

Deepwater, to be confirmed

Drake Community Hall

Dungowan Community Hall

Duri Public School

Ebor Public School

Elsmore Memorial Hall

Emmaville Community Centre

Gilgai Hall

Glen Innes Public School

Glen Innes, Cameron Memorial Hall

Glencoe Community Hall

Gundy Soldiers Memorial Hall

Guyra Central School

Hallsville Uniting Church

Inverell Public School

Inverell, Ross Hill Public School

Jennings Public School

Kentucky Memorial Hall

Kingstown Community Hall

Kootingal Public School

Legume Hall

Liston Hall

Loomberah Hall

Manilla Small Town Hall

Merriwa School of Arts

Mingoola Public School

Moonbi Public School

Moore Creek Memorial Hall

Murrurundi C.W.A. Rooms

Nemingha Public School

Niangala Public School

Nowendoc Memorial Hall

Nundle Public School

Oxley Vale Public School

Premer Public School

Quirindi High School

Red Range Public School

Rocky River Public School

Scone Senior Citizens Centre

Scone, St Luke's Hall

Scone High School

Somerton Public School

Spring Ridge Public School

Tamworth, Liberty Church School

Tamworth, Peel High School

Tamworth, McCarthy Catholic College

Tamworth East Public School

Tamworth Town Hall

Tamworth West Public School

Tamworth High School

Tamworth South, Mary Help of Christians Hall

Tenterfield Memorial Hall

Timbumburi Public School

Tingha Public School

University Of New England, Wright Centre

Upper Horton Hall

Uralla Central School

Urbenville Public School

Walcha Central School

Wallabadah Public School

Werris Creek Public School

West Tamworth, Coledale Community Centre

Westdale Public School

Willow Tree Community Hall

Wingen School of Arts

Wollomombi, Chandler Public School

Woolbrook Public School

Woolomin Public School

Yarrowitch Public School

Yetman Hall



You can check which polling places have disabled access at **www.aec.gov.au/new-england**.

For blind and low vision voting options call **13 23 26**.

How to make your vote count

For the New England by-election, you will be given a green ballot paper.

You will be voting for a representative for the federal electoral Division of New England in the House of Representatives.

Number every box in the order of your choice.

Don't worry if you make a mistake. You can ask for another ballot paper and start again.

You can practise voting at

www.aec.gov.au/practise-voting.

House of Representatives
Ballot Paper

State
Electoral Division of Division Name

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

2 SURNAME, Given Names
INDEPENDENT

3 SURNAME, Given Names
PARTY

7 SURNAME, Given Names
PARTY

4 SURNAME, Given Names
PARTY

1 SURNAME, Given Names
PARTY

5 SURNAME, Given Names
PARTY

6 SURNAME, Given Names
PARTY

8 SURNAME, Given Names
PARTY

Remember... number every box to make your vote count

Sample ballot paper

Alternative versions of this guide

To request this guide in an alternative format call **13 23 26** or download from www.aec.gov.au/new-england.

If you are deaf or have a hearing or speech impairment contact us through the National Relay Service: TTY users phone 133 677 and quote 13 23 26. Speak and Listen users phone 1300 555 727 and quote 13 23 26. Internet relay users connect to the NRS then ask for 13 23 26.

For information about voting and elections in other languages call the number listed next to your preferred language.

العربية	Arabic	1300 720 132
廣東話	Cantonese	1300 720 135
Hrvatski	Croatian	1300 720 136
Ελληνικά	Greek	1300 720 137
Italiano	Italian	1300 720 138
ខ្មែរ	Khmer	1300 720 134
한국어	Korean	1300 720 468
Македонски	Macedonian	1300 720 139
普通话	Mandarin	1300 720 142
Język polski	Polish	1300 720 143
Português	Portuguese	1300 720 145
Русский язык	Russian	1300 720 146
Српски	Serbian	1300 720 147
Español	Spanish	1300 720 148
Türkçe	Turkish	1300 720 149
Tiếng Việt	Vietnamese	1300 720 152
Other languages		1300 720 153

Voting is compulsory for Australian citizens aged 18 years and over.

If you don't vote, you may be prosecuted.

If you vote more than once it is a criminal offence.

www.aec.gov.au 13 23 26

