

Do you know how to make your vote count?

Federal election, Saturday 3 May 2025

It's important that you understand how to vote correctly.

On election day you need to complete two ballot papers:

- a green one for the House of Representatives
- a large white one for the Senate.

On the green ballot paper you are voting for a representative of your local area or electorate in the House of Representatives.

On the white ballot paper you are voting for representatives of your state or territory in the Senate.

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

Green ballot paper –
number **every box** in the
order of your choice

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
8	SURNAME, Given Names PARTY
1	SURNAME, Given Names PARTY
5	SURNAME, Given Names PARTY
6	SURNAME, Given Names PARTY
4	SURNAME, Given Names PARTY

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

Sample ballot paper

White ballot paper – you can choose to vote either above or below the line

Senate Ballot Paper
State – Election of 6 Senators

You may vote in one of two ways

Either

Above the line
By numbering at least 6 of these boxes in the order of your choice (with number 1 as your first choice).

5	2	1		3	6	4
PARTY	PARTY	PARTY	PARTY	PARTY	PARTY	

Or

Below the line
By numbering at least 12 of these boxes in the order of your choice (with number 1 as your first choice).

1	8		6	10		4	
SURNAME Given Names PARTY	SURNAME Given Names PARTY	SURNAME Given Names PARTY	SURNAME Given Names PARTY	SURNAME Given Names PARTY	SURNAME Given Names PARTY	SURNAME Given Names PARTY	SURNAME Given Names INDEPENDENT
2	5	3		9	11		7
SURNAME Given Names PARTY	SURNAME Given Names PARTY	SURNAME Given Names PARTY		SURNAME Given Names PARTY	SURNAME Given Names PARTY		SURNAME Given Names INDEPENDENT
3		2	12				
SURNAME Given Names PARTY		SURNAME Given Names PARTY	SURNAME Given Names PARTY				

Sample ballot paper

EITHER

Vote above the line
Number **at least 6 boxes**
for parties or groups,
in the order of your choice.

OR

Vote below the line
Number **at least 12 boxes**
for individual candidates,
in the order of your choice.

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