

Annual returns summary

Annual returns are lodged with the AEC by the following entities:

- Political parties
- Members of the House of Representatives (MPs)
- Senators
- Significant third parties
- Associated entities
- Third parties
- Annual donors.

The table below summarises key disclosure information for each entity, including:

- if registration with the AEC is required
- the key person/role that lodges the annual return
- where relevant information can be found.

For additional information see [Annual returns](#) on the AEC website and the [Election returns summary](#) table for comparable information.

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Entity	Is registration required?	Information on registration	Who lodges the annual return?	More information
Political party	Registration is not compulsory	Party registration	Party agent Appoint Party Agent	Political party financial disclosure
Member of the House of Representatives (MPs)	No	n/a	MP or person authorised by MP	MP financial disclosure
Senator	No	n/a	Senator or person authorised by Senator	Senator financial disclosure
Significant third party	Yes	Significant third party registration	Financial Controller Appointed as part of the Application to Register a Significant Third Party Or changed as part of the Change to the Transparency Register	Significant third party financial disclosure
Associated entity	Yes	Associated entity registration	Financial Controller Appointed as part of the Application to Register as an Associated Entity Or changed as part of the Change to the Transparency Register	Associated entity financial disclosure
Third party	No	n/a	Person responsible	Third party financial disclosure
Annual donor	No	n/a	Person responsible	Annual donor financial disclosure