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## RECALL OF POSITIONS FOR LOCAL BRANCH ELECTIONS

The Electoral Commission of Queensland (ECQ) has announced the dates for the elections to be recalled for the unfilled positions on the local Branches of the *United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Union of Employees, Queensland.* 

Nominations open at midday on <u>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2012</u>, and will close at midday on <u>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2012</u>.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE LODGED WITH THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF QUEENSLAND, NOT THE UNION, AND NOTE THE OPENING AND CLOSING DATES CAREFULLY.

The Notice of Election and a nomination form is attached to this CODE 2. Additional nomination forms are available by contacting the Union office on 3844-0366, or from the Union web site <a href="https://www.ufuq.com.au">www.ufuq.com.au</a>

I once again encourage all members to give consideration to nominating and having an input at your Branch level into the running of the Union. If you are unsure that the position requires, please contact me at the Union Office.

John Oliver State Secretary

## United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Union of Employees, Queensland Notice of Election

The Queensland industrial Registrar has issued a Decision, pursuant to the *Industrial Relations Act 1999*, that the Electoral Commission of Queensland conduct an election for positions of office within the United Firefighters' Union of Australia. Union of Employees, Queensland.

Office No. of Positions Tablelands Branch Officer Executive Representative 1 Firefighter Executive Representative 1 Townville Branch President	Office No. of Positions Firefighter Executive Representative 1  Rockhampton Branch President	Office No. of Positions  Brisbane South Branch Officer Executive Representative 1 Firefighter Executive Representative 1  Beenleigh Branch President
Mt Isa Branch         1           President         1           Secretary         1           Officer Executive Representative         1           Firefighter Executive Representative         1           Mackay Branch         1           President         1           Secretary         1           Officer Executive Representative         1	Maryborough Branch Secretary	Gold Coast Branch Firefighter Executive Representative 1    pswich Branch   President

### Nominations close at midday on Thursday, 10 May 2012 Nominations

Nominations open at midday on Thursday, 12 April 2012. All nominations must be written, signed by the nominee, be in accordance with rule 19 and reach the Electoral Commission of Queensland no later than midday on Thursday, 10 May 2012. A nomination form is printed with this notice. Additional forms can be obtained either from the Union or the Electoral Commission of Queensland. Any form of nomination complying with the Union's Election Rules is acceptable.

Only members of the Branch may be candidates for positions within the Branch, provided that:

- (i) Nominations for any position must be in writing and signed by the candidate who, at the closing date of nominations, is a financial member who has been continuously financial for the two (2) years prior to the closing date of nominations or a life member of the Union still employed in the industry.
- (ii) nominations must be signed by two financial members of the Branch.
- only persons who are firefighters usually or ordinarily employed in the branch at the close of nominations for Branch executive positions will be eligible to nominate for the firefighter Branch executive position;
- (iv) only persons who are officers usually or ordinarily employed in the Branch at the close of nominations for Branch executive positions will be eligible to nominate for the officer Branch executive position.

Nominations may be received by means of hand delivery, post, facsimile or any other electronic means that includes the signatures of the nominees and nominators. Nominees should ensure that their nomination is received by the Commission and can be clearly read.

A candidate may withdraw their nomination by written notice given to the Commission no later than 7 days after nominations

#### **Ballot**

If necessary, the Commission will take a secret postal ballot of eligible members commencing Wednesday, 6 June 2012 and closing at midday on Wednesday, 27 June 2012.

All financial members of the Branch, who were financial members of the Union 30 days before nominations open, usually or ordinarily employed in the Branch shall be entitled to vote for all Branch executive positions including the firefighter Branch executive position and the officer Branch executive position without regard to whether those voting members are firefighters or officers.

The Roll of Voters is prepared following the close of nominations. Ballots are decided by optional preferential voting.



JOHN COOPER-JANSSEN Returning Officer 28 March 2012



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#### United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Union of Employees, Queensland **Nomination Form**

#### Nominations close at midday on Thursday, 10 May 2012

We the un	dersigned fina	incial members of the U	Inited Firefighters	' Union of Australia, Union of Employees,	
Queensland from		(Branch name)		Branch, hereby nominate	
Wember N	0:	Ms/Mr/Other: (Courtesy Title, If a	nny) (Print the fu	ull name of the person you are nominating)	
for the posi	tion of Branch:	(Tick the box/es to indi	cate the position/s	that the nominee is representing)	
Pr	esident		Secretary		
Of	ficer Executi	ve Representative	Firefighte	r Executive Representative	
Membersh	nip No.	Full N	ame	Signature	
And I, United F	(Print your na Firefighters'	ame as you would like It to appe Union of Austra	to Nominat ar on the ballot paper) Ilia, Union o	tion	
Address:					
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Telephone:	(Home)		(Business)		
	(Mobile)		Facsimile:		
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