

Job Description Form

1. Position Identification

POSITION TITLE	Local Government Election
	Returning Officer (RO)
CLASSIFICATION	Level 4
Position Number	LGERO111
DIVISION/BRANCH	Election Operations
LOCATION	Perth
EFFECTIVE DATE	1 March 2023

2. Reporting Relationships

Number of Positions Supervised	Various – depending on whether metro or regional		
SUPERVISOR POSITION TITLES	Returning Officer Liaison Officer		
SUPERVISOR CLASSIFICATION/LEVEL	Level 5		
SUPERVISOR POSITION NUMBER	WAEC0081		

3. Certification

The details contained in this document are an accurate statement of the position's responsibilities and requirements.

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DIRECTOR	ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER

4. Role

Responsible for delivering a Local Government Ordinary election (either in-person or postal or both) at a Local Government in accordance with *Local Government Act 1995* and *Local Government (Elections) Regulations* and ensuring a high standard of communication, integrity and compliance is established and maintained throughout the election period.

5. Key Result Areas and Duties

Coordination

- Comply with the RO Coordination Project Plan and standard operational procedures
- Provides open and transparent communication with ROLOs
- Regularly liaise with both internal and external stakeholders (including Local Government contacts)
- Meets election milestone activities and ensures they are delivered on time and with impartiality at all times
- Coordinates all Temporary Election Workforce for their election

Administration

- Uses Commission software to accept nominations; input count data and perform election activities
- Completes processes in accordance with procedures outlined in RO Manual
- Completes the RO election report at conclusion of the election and provides feedback on issues and identify areas for improvement

Supervision

- Supports, supervises and monitors all temporary election workforce within election allocation
- Communicates with the WA Electoral Commission Temporary Election Workforce project re requirements or issues with workforce

Operations

- Receives nominations and conducts the ballot draw
- Conducts the ballot paper count
- Conducts formal declaration of results

Training

- Delivers training sessions for the temporary election workforce at each Local Government location throughout the election at different stages
- Identifies temporary election workforce who may need additional training or support

Governance and Integrity

- Ensures the election is conducted in accordance with *Local Government Act 1995* and *Local Government (Elections) Regulations*
- Adhere to security of ballot papers and safekeeping of election material at all times
- Follow instructions regarding representing the WA Electoral Commission at any post-election
 'Court of Disputed Returns' Claims
- Observes conduct throughout the election by Candidates and Scrutineers, intervening as required to ensure election is delivered in accordance with Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Elections) Regulations

Division Support

• As a member of the Election Operations Division, contributes to the overall objectives of the Division and participates in the Division's planning activities.

Other Duties

Conducts other duties as required.

6. Requirements of the Position (or Selection Criteria)

ESSENTIAL:

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Demonstrated time management and operational skills
- Strong adherence to procedures and process

DESIRABLE:

- General knowledge in the conduct of elections
- Working with staff and experience in training delivery
- Knowledge of the Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Elections)
 Regulations

7. Appointment Details

INDUSTRIAL AGREEMENT/AWARD	Public Sector CSA Agreement 2022 or subsequent replacements.		
SPECIAL CONDITIONS	Nil		
ALLOWANCES	Nil		
ACCOMMODATION	Not applicable		
SPECIALISED EQUIPMENT OPERATED	Not applicable		

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