

Regulation 126(1) Notice of Alteration to the CEPU Rules
CEPU Rules Changes – Section D Communications Division Rules

1. By amending sub rules 19(b)(ii) and Rule 19(c) as follows:

19(b) (i)

(ii) ~~Candidates for Divisional Assistant Secretaries shall be members of the Division~~
Provided that a person making the nomination for the office of Divisional Assistant Secretary (Postal) shall be a financial member of the Postal Services Industry Group and a person making the nomination for the office of Divisional Assistant Secretary (Telecommunications) shall be a financial member of the Telecommunications and Information Technology Industry Group.

(iii) ...

19(c) *All nomination papers must be signed by and contain the addresses of those making the nomination who must be financial members of the Division and be countersigned by the person nominated.* ~~. Provided that on and from 1 August 2007 a person making the nomination for the office of Divisional Assistant Secretary (Postal) shall be a financial member of the Postal Services Industry Group and a person making the nomination for the office of Divisional Assistant Secretary (Telecommunications) shall be a financial member of the Telecommunications and Information Technology Industry Group.~~

Reasons in Support

The alteration subject of this National Council decision is in response to advice from the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC). The Division intended having an Assistant Secretary Postal from the Postal Group and an Assistant Secretary Telecom from the Telecom group. This did occur in the last election but the AEC pointed out that rule 19(b)(ii) does not require this. It only requires that a candidate need only come from the Division. However, the AEC also pointed out that rules 19(c) and 21(b) do require that candidates for Divisional Assistant Secretary should come from the relevant industry group. The proviso in 19(c) was inserted in 2007. However, it seems the alteration was inserted in the wrong place. This alteration corrects this issue.

2. By deleting the reference in sub rule 23(j)(i) to rule(j)(ii) and replacing it with a reference to g(ii) as follows:

(j) (i) After the closing date of the ballot in the presence of scrutineers appointed pursuant to Rule 25 to open each envelope referred to in ~~(j)(ii)~~ *g(ii)* above which has been returned to him/her, examine the section of the envelope referred to in (j) (iii) above, strike the name of the member appearing thereon off the roll as having voted in the election, and subject to (ii) below, admit the inner envelope marked 'ballot paper only' containing the ballot paper to the count after removing it from the outer envelope;

Reason in Support

The reference in rule 23(j)(i) to "(j)(ii)" is incorrect and should read "(g)(ii)".