



# 2017 NT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

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## 1. Post-election day counting

A recheck of all votes counted on Saturday night will be conducted this week in [Alice Springs](#) and [Darwin](#). Scrutineers must produce a completed [scrutineer appointment form](#) upon arrival at the count centre. Most counts will be conducted using Easy Count, a computerised vote counting software application. Easy Count is a system that requires input of each ballot paper twice by two different data entry operators.

The results of first preference counts conducted on Saturday night are available on the virtual tally room at [ntec.nt.gov.au](http://ntec.nt.gov.au). There will be no further update to these figures until they have been input through Easy Count.

### Postal votes

A total of 4,081 postal votes were issued to Territorians with 1,753 completed, returned, accepted and ready to count. Of the returned postal ballot papers a total of 1,056 are for City of Darwin.

A first preference count of all returned and accepted postal ballot papers, plus any received early in the week, will be conducted from Wednesday 30 August. The first preference results will be published to the NTEC website upon completion. The recheck of postal ballot papers will then be conducted using Easy Count.

The deadline for receipt of postal ballot papers is **12:00 noon Friday 1 September**.

After the deadline, remaining postal votes will be counted, the quota for all ballot papers determined and the distribution of preferences conducted.



### Reminder

Candidates and parties are reminded to remove their campaign signage from all locations in accordance with the relevant council/department [signage by-laws](#).



## COUNTING IN ALICE SPRINGS

The following table shows the counts that will be conducted in Alice Springs from Monday 28 August 2017.

The councils to be counted are:

Alice Springs Town Council | Barkly Regional Council | Central Desert Regional Council | MacDonnell Regional Council

**ADDRESS: MyVote Central, Yeperenye Centre, Hartley St ALICE SPRINGS**

DAY   DATE	COUNT DETAILS
<b>Monday, 28 August</b> 9:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conduct fresh scrutiny count of Alice Springs Mayor and Barkly President</li> <li>Input Councillor ballot papers to Easy Count system</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday, 29 August</b> 8:30 am	Continuation of previous day activities
<b>Wednesday, 30 August</b> 8:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Manual count* of absent, declaration and postal votes for Alice Springs Mayor and Barkly President</li> <li>Input absent, declaration and postal vote ballot papers to Easy Count system</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday, 31 August</b> 8:30 am	Continuation of previous day activities
<b>Friday, 01 September</b> 8:30 am	Final count of postal votes, determination of quota and distribution of preferences
<b>Saturday, 02 September</b>	Reserved for any required re-counts
<b>Monday, 04 September</b> 10:00 am	Declaration of election results <i>Time and venue to be confirmed</i>

\* A manual count will be conducted for Alice Springs Mayor and Barkly President.

## COUNTING IN DARWIN

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The councils to be counted are:

Belyuen Regional Council	Roper Gulf Regional Council
Coomalie Community Government Council	Tiwi Islands Regional Council
City of Darwin	Victoria Daly Regional Council
East Arnhem Regional Council	Wagait Shire Council
Katherine Town Council	West Arnhem Regional Council
Litchfield Council	West Daly Regional Council

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DAY   DATE	COUNT DETAILS
<b>Monday, 28 August</b> 9:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conduct fresh scrutiny count of Katherine Mayor and Litchfield Mayor</li> <li>Input Darwin Mayor, Councillor/Alderman ballot papers to Easy Count system</li> </ul>
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