# Victorian Amateur Football Association

## Election Rules

These rules were adopted by the Board of the Victorian Amateur Football Association ACN 004 811 054 (**VAFA**) and are effective from 30 October 2025 until such time as these rules are repealed, amended or replaced by the Board.

Capitalised terms used in these rules have the meanings given to them in the constitution of the VAFA (**Constitution**).

1. The CEO will cause to be delivered to the Board details of each candidate comprising:

   (a) the Nomination For The Board;

   (b) the Biographical Material in a form compliant with paragraph 2 below; and

   (c) evidence provided by the candidate of their compliance with clauses and 13.3 14.2(c) of the Constitution.

2. Each candidate for election as a Director may submit a photo and biographical summary of themselves which does not exceed 300 words (**Biographical Material**). If a candidate submits Biographical Material, the Biographical Material must be submitted to the CEO with the candidate's nomination. If requested by the CEO, the candidate must provide an electronic copy of the Biographical Material to the CEO. Biographical Material submitted may be subject to review and, if thought appropriate, amended by the CEO. If the Biographical Material is not received with the nomination or an electronic copy of the Biographical Material is requested by the CEO, but not provided by the candidate, then no Biographical Material will be distributed to members with the VAFA's ballot paper.

3. Candidates are prohibited from promoting themselves on the VAFA's official website or, in any form of communication, using the VAFA's name, logo or insignia or making any statement that directly or indirectly suggests that the candidate has the support or endorsement of the VAFA as a candidate in the election. However, a candidate who is a current or former Director may include in their Bibliographical Material a simple statement of fact regarding their years of services as a Director.

4. Candidates are prohibited, without the written consent of the CEO, from communicating in writing or electronically with other Members or Delegates regarding the election of Directors or attempt to persuade a Member or Delegate to vote for or support, or not to vote for or not support, a particular candidate for election as a Director, or otherwise engage in electioneering. However, the VAFA may convene a Members' forum at which candidates can present themselves and their policies to Members and allow Members the opportunity to ask questions of the candidates. The rules and procedures for any Members' forum will be determined by the VAFA prior to the relevant forum.

5. Incumbent Directors are prohibited, without the written consent of the CEO, from communicating with Members or Delegates, whether in writing, electronically or otherwise, regarding the election of Directors or attempt to persuade a Member or

Delegate to vote for or support, or not to vote for or not support, a particular candidate for election as a Director, or otherwise engage in electioneering.

6. The VAFA may engage a reputable service provider to provide an online voting platform for the election. However, to the extent that ballot papers are provided to members, candidates must not direct, procure or encourage the return of

7. direct to them or to their representatives, prior to voting papers being sent to the CEO or a party nominated by the CEO.

8. Candidates do not have the right to appoint scrutineers for the purpose of vote counting. Vote counting will only be conducted by the CEO or his or her appointed delegates.