

COMMONWEALTH PARTY OFFICIAL CONSTITUTION

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LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE

The Commonwealth Party leadership consists of the following:

- The Party Leader;
- The Deputy Party Leader;
- The Party Chairman;
- The Deputy Party Chairman;
- The National Executive Council; and
- The Party Wings.

PARTY LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER

The Party Leader is the head of the party and is primarily responsible for its affairs in regards to elections, parliament, party policy and general party affairs. The party leader is automatically the leader in parliament if they are in parliament and if a government is negotiated they by default become the Prime Minister. The Leader has veto power over government agreements and party policies. The Deputy Leader is responsible for these actions when delegated to them by the discretion of the Leader. The Deputy Leader has veto power over government agreements. The Deputy Leader is also responsible for more minor affairs such as officially incorporating party policies, however they can be overruled at any point.

PARTY CHAIRMAN AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

The Party Chairman has supreme authority over internal party affairs. They possess veto power over Leader and Deputy Leader VONCs as well as any VONC against the Deputy Chairman if they are deemed to be a) a threat to party integrity or b) not considered serious. The Chairman can dismiss the Deputy Chairman and without the discretion of other party members if they judge them to be a threat to party integrity. Any powers not explicitly provided to the Chairman go to the Deputy Chairman. The Chairman alongside the Leader can veto party policies.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The National Executive Council, consisting of 6 members, provides checks and balances on the leadership of the party and is responsible alongside the leadership for determining party policy and direction. A majority NEC vote can block decisions made by the Leader and Chairman if they are deemed to be unconstitutional. The NEC is responsible for the admittance of members into the party. The NEC must approve all policies, electoral strategies and Votes of No Confidence. The NEC is elected once every 6 months or if an NEC member resigns. NEC members can be dismissed by a unanimous vote by the leadership of the party and a majority of party members. The NEC can overrule decisions made by the Leader and Chairman on the basis that they are detrimental to the party. Any changes to the party constitution or the establishment of new party wings must be approved by the NEC. There are a minimum of 6 members, however leaders of party wings are entitled to sit on the NEC.

PARTY WINGS

The party wings are internal party bodies set up by members to reflect their policy positions and interests.

Party wings shape the conversations on policies and can affect party direction through their policy proposals. The party wings can determine their own structure and how they operate within the party, and can choose who they send to the NEC; although this is typically filled by their leader. To set up a party wing, three individuals must express their desire to do so and seek approval from the NEC. Party wings must have their own rulebook and NEC members have the authority to overrule any policy proposals put forward by them. Party wings have the responsibility to actively contribute to policy discussions and the promotion of CPA values externally. They must help strengthen the party by maintaining high activity and taking actions that benefit the party in exchange for representation in the NEC. Any member can join or form a party wing with the exception of the Leader.

LEADERSHIP ELECTIONS

Party conferences are held once per term about 1 month before the next general election. During a party conference the positions of Party Leader, Deputy Leader, Party Chairman, and Deputy Chairman are declared vacant and put up for election. If any member of the leadership is deemed to be unfit for office, a Vote of No Confidence can be moved against them. VONCs must be put forward by an NEC member or a member of the leadership being seconded by at least 3 other party members. If the majority of party members express no confidence in the Leader, Deputy Leader, Party Chairman, or Deputy Chairman, the position will be declared vacant. In the event of a successful VONC, the individual who was dismissed is eligible to re-run.

All candidates for elections must be seconded by one other party member. A party conference will be held once this constitution is ratified.

PARTY MEMBERSHIP

Any member of the NEC can approve an individual joining. However, the Party Chairman can block it if they have reasonable evidence that indicates said individual should not be a member. A party member can only be expelled if a majority of the NEC has determined that they should be.

All party members are entitled to put forward policy suggestions. If an individual proposes a policy and it is seconded by two members, and nobody objects to it, the Deputy Leader is obligated to add it to the official party platform. If one or more person(s) object to a policy it will be sent to a party-wide vote.

PARTY CHANGES AND AGREEMENTS

For the party to be dissolved or merged with another party, it will require both unanimity of the NEC and a majority of party members. If members wish to change the name or the logo of the party then they can submit an application for a party-wide vote to be approved by the Leader and the Chairman.

A coalition must be approved by a majority of party members. However, entering into a Confidence & Supply Agreement does not require the approval of party members; but can be formally objected to. In order to modify the party constitution, a majority of NEC members must agree. Amendments can be proposed by any member.

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Chairman of the Commonwealth Party of Australia

Member of Parliament for Capricornia

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Deputy Chairman of the Commonwealth Party of Australia

Buttsforpm (Russian Hacker)

Former leader of the Commonwealth Party of Australia

Campaign director

AlexM116 (Deleted User)

Member of the National Executive Council

Member of Parliament for Moncrieff

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Member of the National Executive Council

Member of Parliament for Nicholls