

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

- SECTION 72 REQUIREMENTS
- Namibian citizen, over the age of 35 and eligible to be elected as member of NA (Art 28(3))
- Registered voter; and

Is nominated, either as a representative of a registered political party; or as an independent candidate, whose nomination is supported by at least 500 registered voters per region, i.e. 7000 supporters in total.





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- SECTION 73 SUBMISISON OF NOMINATIONS
- Submit to Chairperson at any time after the publication of Proclamation (26 September 2024), but before close of sitting (16 October 2024)
- Chairperson must provide the candidate with Form 17
- ✤ A candidate is regarded as having been nominated if –
- If it is a candidate nominated by a political party, the nomination is made on Form 17, duly signed by the authorized representative of the party or any other office-bearer of the political party, authorized thereto in writing by the authorized representative and stamped with the seal of the party.
- If it is an independent candidate, his/her nomination is made on Form 17, duly signed by any two persons whose names appear on the list of supporters.
- The nomination is accompanied by a photo of the candidate. See Form 17 and with a clear background, in jpeg format.





- The candidate should consent to the nomination by any instrument in writing.
- If it is a nomination by a political party, the nomination must be accompanied by:
- A copy of the registration certificate of the political party and certified as such by a justice of the peace or a commissioner of oaths;
- A receipt that an amount of N\$ 20 000 has been deposited with the State Revenue Fund by or on behalf of the political party.
- If it is a nomination by an independent candidate:
- The nomination should be accompanied by a receipt that N\$ 10 000 has been deposited with the State Revenue Fund by or on behalf of the candidate.
- there is submitted to the Chairperson, not later than 16h00 in the afternoon of the second day (14 October 2024) before nomination day a list containing the names, voters' registration numbers and residential addresses of, and signed by the persons supporting the nomination of the independent candidate.





- The persons supporting the nomination may not have signed in support of any other candidate in the Presidential election.
- The amount deposited on behalf of a political party or independent candidate is forfeited to the State if the candidate does not receive more than 50% of the valid votes cast (Art 28(2)(b)), but no forfeiture follows if in the election no candidate has received 50% of the votes.
- The amount deposited can be returned to the depositor if –
- The nomination is rejected by the Chairperson, or
- The nomination is withdrawn by either the political party or the independent candidate, in writing, and before the closing of the sitting.
- Chairperson must consider any nomination before the sitting in order to determine whether the nomination complies with section 73, and must notify in writing the candidate concerned accordingly.





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- SECTION 74 DURATION OF SESSION ON NOMINATION DAY AND CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATIONS
- A sitting for the submission of the nomination of candidates takes place from 09h00 until 11h00.
- If at 11h00, any person present is ready to submit the nomination of a candidate, or a person has so submitted the nomination, but it has not been completed, the Chairperson must continue the sitting to enable the candidate to be duly nominated.
- The Chairperson must consider any nomination received before the close of the sitting to determine whether the nomination complies with section 73 and must notify in writing the candidate concerned accordingly.





- SECTION 75 DECLARATION OF CANDIDATES DULY NOMINATED
- If the Chairperson is satisfied that a nomination complies with section
 73, the Chairperson must –
- Declare the candidate as soon as practicable after the close of the sitting, duly nominated for the election of the President; and
- Notify the candidate in writing of the declaration.
- The full names, voter registration number and residential address of each duly nominated candidate and the registered political party by whom he/she was nominated, or the indication "independent" if a candidate has been so nominated, the polling day and location of every polling station in a constituency must then be made known in the Government Gazette.





- If a nomination has been rejected by the Chairperson, the Chairperson must –
- Notify the candidate in writing of the rejection and the grounds upon which the rejection has been made; and
- Afford the political party or the persons by whom the nomination were submitted, an opportunity, at any time before the close of the sitting or for a period not exceeding one day, to rectify the nomination or to nominate any other qualified person as candidate.





- If no candidate is declared duly nominated, the Commission must terminate the election and all proceedings relating to the nomination of candidates for the election must commence afresh in the same manner as if a vacancy had occurred in the office of the President.
- If a duly nominated candidate dies or becomes incapacitated before the poll has commenced or while the poll is taking place –
- The Commission must immediately terminate the election;
- All proceedings relating to the nomination of candidates must commence afresh, but no fresh nomination is necessary in the case of a candidate who was duly nominated at the time when the election was so terminated.
- If a political party has a candidate which was declared duly nominated, and the registration of a political party is cancelled before the poll has commenced or while the poll is taking place, the election must continue as if the candidate was nominated as an independent candidate.





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