



**FOOTBALL
SOUTH
AUSTRALIA**

Football South Australia

2026 Board Director Nomination Pack

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1. Purpose of this Pack

This Nomination Pack has been prepared to formally call for nominations for Elected Director positions on the Football South Australia Board, in accordance with the Football South Australia Constitution. It outlines eligibility requirements, nomination procedures, key dates, submission requirements, and assessment processes for the 2026 Annual General Meeting.

2. Director Vacancies

At the 2026 Annual General Meeting, elections will be conducted for three (3) Elected Director positions. Dr Jane Rathjen is completing her second and final term. Nick Runjajic is completing his first term and is eligible to re-nominate. One position remains vacant following the retirement of Estelle Bowman in 2025.

3. Key Dates

Nominations open Monday 2 March 2026 and close at 5.00 pm on Friday 27 March 2026. The Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 27 May 2026 at 7.00 pm at ServiceFM Stadium, Gepps Cross. Late or incomplete nominations will not be accepted.

4. Eligibility Requirements

Candidates must meet the eligibility requirements outlined in the Football South Australia Constitution. A candidate must not hold or must agree to cease holding within seven days of election, any Disqualifying Position as defined in Article 10.10. Candidates must meet all mandatory Core Competencies and at least one additional competency outlined in Article 10.12 and must hold a valid Working With Children Check. Directors are required to act independently and in the best interests of Football South Australia.

5. Nomination Requirements

A valid nomination must include all required documentation. Incomplete or non-compliant nominations will not be accepted.

Required documentation includes:

- Completed Nomination Form (Form A)
- Completed Statutory Declaration (Form B)
- Curriculum Vitae and Candidate Statement
- Evidence of a valid Working With Children Check, or proof that an application has been submitted

All Directors of Football South Australia are required to hold and maintain a valid Working With Children Check in accordance with Board policy.

6. Submission Details

All nomination documentation must be lodged with the Returning Officer by the nomination closing date.

Email: elvira.liaptsis@footballsouth.com.au

Post: Returning Officer – Football South Australia Elections, PO Box 87, Pooraka SA 5095

Candidates are responsible for ensuring nominations are complete and received by the closing time.

7. Assessment Process

Following the close of nominations, submissions will be assessed by the Nominations Committee against eligibility requirements and Core Competencies in accordance with the Football South Australia Constitution. Eligible candidates will be confirmed for inclusion in the official Notice of Annual General Meeting.

Nomination Forms

The following forms are included as part of this pack and must be completed in full:

Form A – Nomination Form;

Form B – Statutory Declaration:



FOOTBALL SOUTH AUSTRALIA ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

2026 NOMINATION FORM (FORM A)

CANDIDATE DETAILS *(please print clearly)*

Full Name

Address

Suburb

Post Code

Mobile

Email

I accept this nomination for the position of Director of Football South Australia.

I confirm that I have read and understood the Football South Australia Constitution and that all information provided is true and correct.

I understand and agree to be bound by:

- the Constitution of Football South Australia and Football Australia
- the By-laws, Statutes and Regulations of Football South Australia and Football Australia
- the statutes and regulations of FIFA and the Asian Football Confederation

I acknowledge that all Directors of Football South Australia are required to maintain a valid Working with Children Check (WWCC). I agree to provide evidence of the current WWCC or proof that an application has been submitted as part of this nomination.

**Candidate
Signature**

Date

PROPOSER DETAILS *(please print clearly)*

Nominations must be proposed by two Members, or a Member and a Director of Football South Australia.

We the undersigned nominate the above Candidate for the position of Director of Football South Australia.

Proposer 1

Full Name _____

Please Circle FOOTBALL SA MEMBER / FOOTBALL SA DIRECTOR

Address _____

Suburb _____

Postcode _____

Mobile _____

Re-insert Candidate Name: _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Proposer 2

Full Name _____

Please Circle FOOTBALL SA MEMBER / FOOTBALL SA DIRECTOR

Address _____

Suburb _____

Postcode _____

Mobile _____

Re-insert Candidate Name: _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____

SECONDER DETAILS *(please print clearly)*

Nominations must be seconded by a Member or Director of Football South Australia.

I second the nomination of the Candidate for the position of Director of Football South Australia.

Full Name

Please Circle FOOTBALL SA MEMBER / FOOTBALL SA DIRECTOR

Address

Suburb

Postcode

Mobile

Re-insert Candidate Name:

Signature

Date

NOMINATION CHECKLIST

Before submitting your nomination, please ensure you have:

- Two Proposers (two Members, or a Member and a Director)
- One Secunder (Member or Director)
- Completed and attached the Statutory Declaration (Form B)
- Attached your CV, statement and/or supporting documentation demonstrating you meet the Core Competencies in the Constitution (Article 10.12(j))
- Included a photograph and brief candidate statement (max. 250 words)
- Provided evidence of a valid Working With Children Check or proof that an application has been submitted.

SUBMISSION DETAILS

All nomination documents must be lodged with the Returning Officer, Football South Australia 2026 Director Elections.

Mail:

Returning Officer – Football South Australia Elections

C/- Elvira Liaptsis – Football South Australia

PO Box 87

Pooraka SA 5095

Email: elvira.liaptsis@footballsouth.com.au

Nominations Closing Date: 5.00 pm, Friday 27 March 2026

RELEVANT CONSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION (SUMMARY ONLY)

Eligibility

A person must not hold or must cease to hold within seven days of election or appointment; any disqualifying position as defined in *Article 10.10*.

Nominations Committee

The Nominations Committee will assess all candidates against the criteria outlined in *Article 10.12*, including commitment to governance, independence, and the Core Competencies.

Core Competencies for Directors

Candidates must meet all mandatory competencies and at least one additional competency area, as set out in the Constitution (*Article 10.12*).

The full Football South Australia Constitution, By-laws and nomination criteria are available [here](#).

Commonwealth of Australia
STATUTORY DECLARATION
Statutory Declarations Act 1959

FORM B –
Football South Australia
Elected and Appointed Directors

1 *Insert the name, address and occupation of person making the declaration*

I,¹

make the following declaration under the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*:

2 *Set out matter declared to in numbered paragraphs*

2

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I:

- (1) have not been involved in any activities which could materially interfere with my ability to act in the best interests of the Football Federation of South Australia Inc.; and
- (2) am free from any interest or relationship which could materially interfere with their ability to act in the best interests of the Football Federation of South Australia Inc.

(3) I do not hold a Disqualifying Position*.

OR

(4) I hold the following Disqualifying Position/s _____ and agree to cease to hold such positions not more than seven days after being elected or appointed a Director.

* A disqualifying position is defined as (a) a position as an employee of the Association, of a Zone Council, of an Association or of FFA; or (b) any Official Position.

I understand that a person who intentionally makes a false statement in a statutory declaration is guilty of an offence under section 11 of the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*, and I believe that the statements in this declaration are true in every particular.

3 *Signature of person making the declaration*

3

4 *Place*
5 *Day*
6 *Month and year*

Declared at ⁴ _____ on ⁵ _____ of ⁶ _____

Before me,

7 *Signature of person before whom the declaration is made (see over)*

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8 *Full name, qualification and address of person before whom the declaration is made (in printed letters)*

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Note 1 A person who intentionally makes a false statement in a statutory declaration is guilty of an offence, the punishment for which is imprisonment for a term of 4 years — see section 11 of the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*.

Note 2 Chapter 2 of the *Criminal Code* applies to all offences against the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959* — see section 5A of the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*.

A statutory declaration under the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959* may be made before—

(1) a person who is currently licensed or registered under a law to practise in one of the following occupations:

Chiropractor	Dentist	Legal practitioner
Medical practitioner	Nurse	Optometrist
Patent attorney	Pharmacist	Physiotherapist
Psychologist	Trade marks attorney	Veterinary surgeon

(2) a person who is enrolled on the roll of the Supreme Court of a State or Territory, or the High Court of Australia, as a legal practitioner (however described); or

(3) a person who is in the following list:

Agent of the Australian Postal Corporation who is in charge of an office supplying postal services to the public
Australian Consular Officer or Australian Diplomatic Officer (within the meaning of the *Consular Fees Act 1955*)
Bailliff

Bank officer with 5 or more continuous years of service
Building society officer with 5 or more years of continuous service
Chief executive officer of a Commonwealth court

Clerk of a court
Commissioner for Affidavits
Commissioner for Declarations

Credit union officer with 5 or more years of continuous service

Employee of the Australian Trade Commission who is:

- (a) in a country or place outside Australia; and
- (b) authorised under paragraph 3 (d) of the *Consular Fees Act 1955*; and
- (c) exercising his or her function in that place

Employee of the Commonwealth who is:

- (a) in a country or place outside Australia; and
- (b) authorised under paragraph 3 (c) of the *Consular Fees Act 1955*; and
- (c) exercising his or her function in that place

Fellow of the National Tax Accountants' Association

Finance company officer with 5 or more years of continuous service

Holder of a statutory office not specified in another item in this list

Judge of a court

Justice of the Peace

Magistrate

Marriage celebrant registered under Subdivision C of Division 1 of Part IV of the *Marriage Act 1961*

Master of a court

Member of Chartered Secretaries Australia

Member of Engineers Australia, other than at the grade of student

Member of the Association of Taxation and Management Accountants

Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy

Member of the Australian Defence Force who is:

- (a) an officer; or
- (b) a non-commissioned officer within the meaning of the *Defence Force Discipline Act 1982* with 5 or more years of continuous service; or
- (c) a warrant officer within the meaning of that Act

Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, the Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants or the National Institute of Accountants

Member of:

- (a) the Parliament of the Commonwealth; or
- (b) the Parliament of a State; or
- (c) a Territory legislature; or
- (d) a local government authority of a State or Territory

Minister of religion registered under Subdivision A of Division 1 of Part IV of the *Marriage Act 1961*

Notary public

Permanent employee of the Australian Postal Corporation with 5 or more years of continuous service who is employed in an office supplying postal services to the public

Permanent employee of:

- (a) the Commonwealth or a Commonwealth authority; or
- (b) a State or Territory or a State or Territory authority; or
- (c) a local government authority;

with 5 or more years of continuous service who is not specified in another item in this list

Person before whom a statutory declaration may be made under the law of the State or Territory in which the declaration is made

Police officer

Registrar, or Deputy Registrar, of a court

Senior Executive Service employee of:

- (a) the Commonwealth or a Commonwealth authority; or
- (b) a State or Territory or a State or Territory authority

Sheriff

Sheriff's officer

Teacher employed on a full-time basis at a school or tertiary education institution