

23 July
AEC Ballot Paper Handling Policy released

3 August
Election Waste Policy released

11 September
New Individual Performance Plans for staff

19 September
CANNING BY-ELECTION

4 November
Australian National Audit Office releases third follow-up audit into the AEC's preparations for and conduct of federal elections

JULY **AUGUST** **SEPTEMBER** **OCTOBER** **NOVEMBER** **DECEMBER**

6 July
Election Personnel Identification Policy released

31 August
AEC Corporate Plan 2015–19 published
Out-posted Centres Policy released

13 October
Election Readiness Framework released

5 December
NORTH SYDNEY BY-ELECTION

2015

28 January
New House of Representatives electoral divisions in the Australian Capital Territory finalised

11 February
Launch of AEC Service Charter

25 February
New House of Representatives electoral divisions in New South Wales finalised

18 March
VOTING CHANGES INTRODUCED

4 April
New internal communication network established

15 April
Governor-General visits AEC

8 May
FEDERAL ELECTION ANNOUNCED

23 May
Enrolments close

9 June
Close of nominations

20 June
Overseas polling opens

JANUARY **FEBRUARY** **MARCH** **APRIL** **MAY** **JUNE** ★

19 January
New House of Representatives electoral divisions in Western Australia finalised

21 March
Deputy Electoral Commissioner Kathryn Toohey commences

18 March
Parliament passes Commonwealth Electoral Amendment Bill 2016

26 April
Election advertising and education campaign launched

16 May
Issue of writs

10 June
Declaration of nominations and ballot draw

14 June
Pre-polling opens

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