



MUA 2015 Election Timeline

Table Summary of Key Dates		
Event	Actual Date	Time Period and Rule
An Officer of the Union who does not intend to nominate for election to any Office of Officer of the Union at an election shall give written notice to the National Secretary accordingly.	Friday 6 February 2015	28 Days prior to opening of Nominations [Rule 45 (i)]
No Officer of the Union shall be eligible to nominate for a different Office of Officer of the Union at an election unless such Officer has given written notice to the National Secretary of intention to do so.	Friday 6 February 2015	28 Days prior to opening of Nominations [Rule 45 (i)]
A preliminary Roll of Voters shall be prepared by the National Secretary.	Friday 6 February 2015	At least 28 days before the date of the opening of nominations [Rule 46 (a)]
A paper copy and electronic copy of the Roll shall be provided to the National Returning Officer.	Friday 13 February 2015	At least 21 days before the date of the opening of nominations. [Rule 46 (a)]
A final paper copy and electronic copy of the Roll of Voters shall be prepared by the National Secretary.	Tuesday 24 February 2015	10 days before the opening date of nominations. [Rule 46 (b)]
Nominations for Offices to be filled at a Quadrennial Election of the Union shall open and close. NB Closure of nominations means that all nominations must be in the hands of the Returning Officer by 5:00pm 7 April 2015	Open: 12:00AM Friday 6 March 2015 Close: 5:00PM Tuesday 7 April 2015	Open on March 6 and close at 5:00PM on April 6 in the year of the election [Rule 45 (a)] . NB Easter Monday is on 6 April. See [Rule 43 (d)] .

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Printing of the ballot papers.	Tuesday 14 April 2015	Seven days following the closure of nominations [Rule 47 (b)] and [Rule 43(d)]
Distribution of Ballot Papers and opening of the Postal Ballot.	Tuesday 28 April 2015	April 28 2015. [Rule 47(c)].
Applications for Absentee votes close.	Tuesday 5:00PM, 9 June 2015	5pm 7 June 2015 [Rule 47 (f)]. NB 7 June is a Saturday and Queens Birthday (except WA) is on 8 June. See [Rule 43(d)].
Postal Ballot closes.	5:00PM, Monday 15 June 2015.	5pm, 14 June 2015. However, envelopes received up to 5:00PM on 19 June bearing a post mark up to 15 June shall be counted. [Rule 47 (e)] NB 14 June is a Saturday. See [Rule 43(d)].
Notice to candidates of counting location time and place	Friday 5 June 2015	At least 7 days prior to the Counting of the Ballot. [Rule 47 (h)]. NB Queens Birthday (Except WA) 8 June

Counting of the Ballot	Tuesday 16 June 2015.	15 June 2015. [Rule 47 (g)]. NB See above of changes to closure of Ballot on 15 June.
Declaration and Publication of Poll	Before Wednesday 1 July 2015	Before 1 July 2015 [Rule 47 (j)]
Taking of Office	Wednesday 1 July 2015	1 July 2015 [Rule 47 (j) (iv)]

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