



# ELECTORAL REGULATIONS

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## FALL ELECTIONS 2024

### Nominations

1. To be a candidate, a CSES member must be nominated by a specific number of people as outlined in the Nomination Signature Requirements document for the position they wish to seek to be nominated for.
  - a. A member seeking nomination for a position must seek 1% percent of the relevant constituency.
2. CSES Members seeking nominations must submit their nominations in the General Elections 2024 Candidate Nominations Submission Form by Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 17:30. They also have the option to submit a "About me" and Platform.
3. Successful nominations will be verified by the CEO before the start of the Campaigning period.

### Campaigning

1. All campaign material must be approved by the CEO in writing through email before being posted and/or published.
2. Campaigning can be done in person or virtually (social media).
3. All forms of Social Media are permitted. However, to be considered a valid campaign, and not illegal campaigning, the following rules must be followed.
  - a. All campaign pages must be shared to the CEO and then approved in writing through email for the campaign to be considered valid.
  - b. Campaign pages must be dedicated to the campaign of the individual, and not used for any other purposes.
4. Individual Campaigning in the ME 3300 Block or on the 3300 Block Discord server are not permitted.
5. Candidates are allowed to pay to promote their campaign via Facebook or any social media platform that offers a similar service.
6. All posters must be removed by 23:59:50h on the last day of the Voting Period
7. Posters are not permitted on glass doors or glass surfaces such as railings, or windows, or any painted surface.
8. Campaign expenses must not exceed more than \$20 CAD (Twenty dollars). Exceeding \$20 is considered a Strike.



## Penalties

1. All Nominees must attend the all-candidates meeting. If a nominee cannot make it, they must notify the CEO prior to the meeting start. Failure to do so will result in a strike.
2. All social media campaign material must be approved by the CEO in writing by email. Campaigning without the approval of the CEO will result in a strike against the candidate.
3. Destroying, defacing, or damaging the campaign material of another candidate or committee is strictly prohibited. Doing so will result in a strike.
4. Failure to submit a campaign budget by the end of the campaigning period will result in Strike.
  - a. If your budget was \$0.00, you must still submit a budget to the CEO stating such.
5. Campaigning outside the campaign period (as defined in the applicable Writ of Election) will result in a strike against the candidate. Candidates can encourage people to vote during the voting period.
6. All candidates have two strikes. The first strike is a warning; the second strike will result in the disqualification of the candidate

## Communications with the CEO

The CEO will respond to all emails within 24 hours of their receipt. Email is to be the main contact between the CEO and the candidates. The CEO's email is [ceo@cses.carleton.ca](mailto:ceo@cses.carleton.ca)

All potential penalties are encouraged to be sent to the CEO. The CEO will decide if it is a penalty and will issue a strike accordingly. If you disagree with the any decision made by the CEO, a meeting will be coordinated between you, the CEO, and the electoral committee. The electoral committee is a group of third-party individuals who have volunteered their time to appeal any strikes deemed unnecessary.