



Credentialing at Congress

All unions have been given advance notification of their likely voting entitlements at the 2009 ACTU Congress. Subsequent to 31 March all unions will be notified of their actual voting entitlement in accordance with the ACTU Rules. The Rules specify a formula to determine the number of union votes depending on financial membership and the payment of all outstanding fees and levies.

Unions have also been advised they may nominate their delegates voting rights in accordance with the plural voting provisions of the Rules. A union nominated delegate may exercise one, two, three or four votes. Delegates with plural voting rights will be issued with appropriate "voting bats" when collecting their name badges etc at the Congress Registration Desks.

The voting bat will indicate the delegate's voting entitlement.

Voting bats and name badges will NOT be sent out prior to Congress.

Unions may wish to change their delegates' voting entitlements for one or more sessions at Congress. To do this, a union must produce the following:

- 1 Written authorisation such as a letter on union letterhead and signed by an official with the appropriate authority to do so within the union's rules - identifying the delegate or delegates and the preferred voting entitlements.
- 2 Any voting bat(s) previously issued to the delegates concerned.

On receipt of these items at the Credentialing Desk, ACTU staff will take the necessary steps to give effect to the union's request. Appropriate new bat(s) reflecting the correct details will be issued.

Please Note

Delegates or unions who present for plural voting entitlement changes without the proper authorisation and any previously issued bats will be requested to obtain these before the credentialing changes can be approved.

Assistant Secretary Geoff Fary or another designated ACTU Officer will be available to resolve any issues relating to credentialing for delegates.