

Political Party 2023 donation statement

Political Party Donation Statement 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

Electoral Act 1997, as amended

Please complete in BLOCK CAPITALS and black ink to facilitate copying

1. General Information

Name of Political Party:	Click here to enter text.
Name of Appropriate Officer:	Click here to enter text.
Address for correspondence:	Click here to enter text.
Telephone No.	Click here to enter text.
Email Address:	Click here to enter text.

2. Donations

Did the Party receive any single donation exceeding €1,500.00 in value, or donations from the same person exceeding €1,500.00 in aggregate value, between 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2023? If your answer is YES , you must list the donation(s) on page 4.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> (Insert [<input type="checkbox"/>] as appropriate)
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Did the party maintain a political donations account during the period 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2023?

Yes No

(Insert [] as appropriate)

If the answer is yes, you must complete the Certificate of Monetary Donations and Statutory Declaration (Form 2), in full, in addition to this form.

If there were no transactions on the account during the above period, this should be stated on the Certificate. The Statutory Declaration accompanying the Certificate must be completed in all cases.

A statement of the political donations account covering the period 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 from the financial institution must be provided to this office with the Certificate of Monetary Donations regardless of whether there were transactions on the account.

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3. Details of Donations (photocopy this page if more than 2 donations are being disclosed)

Donation #

Name and full postal address of donor or the person on whose behalf the donation was made			
Was donation requested from donor?	YES / NO	Name of person who requested donation (if appropriate)	
Value of Donation	€	Nature of Donation ¹	
Description of Donor ²		Date Donation was received	
If the donation was from a corporate donor, was it accompanied by a statement of approval form? ³			YES / NO
Did receipt issue?	YES / NO	Donor is an Irish Citizen?	YES / NO
Name of person who issued receipt			

¹ For example, cash/cheque/EFT, use of property, services, etc.

² For example, individual, registered corporate donor, trade union, political party, etc.

³ For further information see note V below

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Name and full postal address of donor or the person on whose behalf the donation was made			
Was donation requested from donor?	YES / NO	Name of person who requested donation (if appropriate)	
Value of Donation	€	Nature of Donation¹	
Description of Donor²		Date Donation was received	
If the donation was from a corporate donor, was it accompanied by a statement of approval form? ³			YES / NO
Did receipt issue?	YES / NO	Donor is an Irish Citizen?	YES / NO
Name of person who issued receipt			

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³ For further information see note A) v) below

4. Statutory Declaration

Part 1

(to be completed in full by the Appropriate Officer)

I (name of Appropriate Officer), do solemnly and sincerely declare that the attached **Donation Statement** is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct in every material respect and that I took all reasonable action in order to be satisfied as to its accuracy and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act 1938.

Signature of Appropriate Officer:

Part II

(to be completed in full by witness)

When completing this part the witness needs to state whether the person making the statutory declaration is known to him/her or has been identified to him/her by another person or by one of the documents referred to below

Declared before me (*name of witness in capital letters here*)

..... a (*category of witness i.e. whether a notary public, commissioner for oaths, peace commissioner or practising solicitor to be entered here*)

..... by
..... (*insert name of appropriate officer furnishing the statement*) who is personally known to me,

or

who is identified to me by..... who is personally known to me,

or

whose identity has been established to me before the taking of this Declaration by the production to me of

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passport no. issued on [*date of issue*]..... by the
authorities of [*issuing state*]which is an authority
recognised by the Irish Government

or

national identity card no. issued on [*date of issue*]
.....by the authorities of [*issuing state*].....(
which is an EU Member State, the Swiss Confederation or a Contracting Party to
the EEA Agreement)

or

Aliens Passport no. issued on [*date of issue*]
..... by the authorities of [*issuing state*].....
which is an authority recognised by the Irish Government

or

refugee travel document no.issued on [*date of issue*]
..... by the Minister for Justice, Equality and Defence

or

travel document (other than refugee travel document) no.
issued on [*date of issue*]..... by the Minister for Justice, Equality
and Defence

Signature of witness

Category of witness*

Place of Signature

Date.....

***Please note a witness must belong to one of the following categories:
Commissioner for Oaths/ Notary Public/ Peace Commissioner/ Practising
Solicitor.**

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Form 2

THIS CERTIFICATE IS NOT FOR PUBLIC DISPLAY

**Political Party
Certificate of Monetary Donations
(1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023)
Electoral Act 1997, as amended**

Please complete all parts of the form, sign the Certificate and complete the Statutory Declaration overleaf:

Name of Political Party:	Click here to enter text.
Name of Appropriate Officer:	Click here to enter text.
Address for Correspondence:	Click here to enter text.

Name of Financial Institution:	Click here to enter text.
Address of Financial Institution:	Click here to enter text.
Account number:	Click here to enter account number

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1. Account Transactions

Were there any transaction on the above-mentioned account (i.e. lodgements or withdrawals), between 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2023?

Yes No

(Insert as appropriate)

2. Certificate

I hereby certify that all monetary donations were lodged to the account referred to above and all amounts debited from the account were used for political purposes.

Please sign below even if there were no transactions on the above account during 2023.

Signature of Appropriate Officer:

Date:

IMPORTANT

Please return, with this completed form, a copy of the statement of the account, provided by the financial institution, covering transactions during the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023.

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NOTES:

A) PROHIBITED DONATIONS

i) Anonymous donations

Acceptance of an anonymous donation exceeding a value of **€100** is prohibited. A donation is anonymous if the political party does not know the name **and** address of the donor. The onus is on the recipient to ensure that the name and address of the donor is known.

ii) Cash Donations in excess of €200

The **maximum cash donation** that may be accepted in any calendar year from a donor by a TD, Senator, MEP, candidate at a Dáil, Seanad or European election, Presidential candidate/election agent, political party, accounting unit of a political party, or a third party is **€200.00**.

iii) Donations by non-registered corporate donors in excess of €200

It is prohibited to accept a donation exceeding **€200** in value from a corporate donor **unless** the corporate donor is registered in the Register of Corporate Donors maintained by the Commission **and** a statement is made on behalf of the corporate donor (and furnished with the donation to the donee) confirming that the making of the donation was approved by the corporate donor. The statement must be accompanied by a statutory declaration that to the best of the knowledge and belief of the person concerned, the statement is correct in every material respect and that the person has taken all reasonable action in order to satisfy him/herself as to the accuracy of the statement.

iv) Donations in excess of the maximum prescribed limit

The maximum value of donation(s) which a political party may accept from the same donor in the same calendar year, either directly or through an intermediary, is **€2,500**. Where a donor makes more than one donation to a political party in a particular year, the values of the donations must be aggregated for the purpose of observing the maximum limit. It should be noted that the onus is on a person accepting a donation to check with the donor and/or with the party's appropriate officer that acceptance of the donation will not bring the total amount of donations received by the party from the donor above the maximum prescribed limit

v) Foreign Donations

A political party or any of its sub-units may not accept a donation, of any value, from an individual (other than an Irish citizen) who resides outside the island of Ireland. Similarly no donation, of any value, may be accepted from a body corporate or an unincorporated body of persons which does not keep an office in the island of Ireland from which at least one of its principal activities is directed.

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If you have received a donation that is prohibited, please check the guidelines for information on how it is to be dealt with.

B) POLITICAL DONATIONS ACCOUNT

A political party must open and maintain a political donations account on receipt of a monetary donation of more than €100.00 (if such an account has not already been opened). Must also complete the Certificate of Monetary Donations in addition to this donation statement if they have a political donations account.