



MALAWI ELECTORAL COMMISSION

INVITATION TO APPLY FOR ACCREDITATION AS ROADSHOW PROMOTERS, MOBILE CINEMA PROMOTERS, COMEDIANS, MUSICIANS, POETS, VIDEO ANIMATORS, GRAPHIC DESIGNERS AND ILLUSTRATORS, DRAMA GROUPS AND DANCE TROUPES TO CONDUCT CIVIC AND VOTER EDUCATION

FOR 2025 GENERAL ELECTION

The Malawi Electoral Commission (MEC) is a constitutional body created under Section 75 of the Constitution of the Republic of Malawi to supervise and direct the conduct of all statutory elections namely; Presidential, Parliamentary, Local Government and Referenda. In addition to this MEC has the “*mandate to exercise its functions according to provisions of Section 76 of the Constitution of the Republic of Malawi. Among its duties and functions, MEC has the mandate to promote public awareness of electoral matters through the media and other appropriate and effective means and to conduct civic and voter education on such matters*” (Section 8 (1) (j) of the Malawi Electoral Commission Act).

MEC is, therefore, calling upon interested Road Show Promoters, mobile Cinema Promoters, Comedians, Musicians, Poets, Video Animators, Graphic Designers and Illustrators, and Drama Groups & Dance Troupes to apply for accreditation to conduct civic and voter education (CVE) in preparation for the 2025 General Election.

Applicants should indicate or attach proof that they:-

- (a) Are duly registered in accordance with the Malawi laws i.e registered with National Theatre Association of Malawi, Registrar of Companies, Malawi Revenue Authority, Public Procurement and Disposal of Assets Authority (PPDA).
- (b) Have relevant experience in the field of civic and voter education, democracy and elections.
- (c) Have well established structures at national or district level.
- (d) Are managed or controlled by a committee/trust with existing and verifiable accountability mechanisms.

(e) Have adequate staff to be deployed to implement the planned CVE activities.

In addition, the Service Providers should be prepared to sign an agreement with MEC to abide by the Code of Conduct and be prepared to work with Constituency Civic and Voter Education Assistants (CCVEAs).

Interested Organizations should collect application forms and code of conduct at the MEC offices or request through email to accreditation@mec.org.mw. The forms can also be downloaded at the MEC website: www.mec.org.mw/accreditation. Completed application forms should be hand delivered or sent to the following addresses by close of business on **31st January, 2024**.

The Chief Elections Officer
Malawi Electoral Commission
Development House
Private Bag 113
LILONGWE

Regional Elections Management Office (South)
P O Box 30873
CHICHIRI, BLANTYRE 3

Regional Elections Management Office (Centre)
Mtunthama Drive Area 3
Private Bag A134
LILONGWE

Regional Elections Management Office (North)
Lutho Arcade
Private Bag 200
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Submission after the deadline will not be accepted.

Note: MEC will engage the accredited service providers as and when need arises. Being accredited is not guarantee that you will work with MEC. Indicate on the envelope the service you are applying for on the top left corner of the envelope.

For further information, please contact Christina Kumwenda from Civic and Voter Education Directorate of MEC on 0999852300.