

Election Regulations of the German Federation for the Zionist World Congress 2025

1. Organization of the Elections

Voting Method: Online voting via a dedicated website.

Registration Period: From June 10, 2025, to June 30, 2025.

Voter Registration: Mandatory prior to voting via the online platform.

Voting: With a key received via email on the special portal between Sunday, July 13, and Monday, July 14, 2025.

2. Eligibility Requirements for Voters

To register as a voter, one must:

- Turn 18 in the year the Congress opens, be a full member of the Zionist Federation, and have fulfilled all obligations according to its rules and those of the respective member organization.
- Be Jewish or eligible under Israel's Law of Return.
- Declare oneself a Zionist by signing the Jerusalem Program.
- Have registered residency in Germany.
- Not have voted in the previous Knesset elections and pledge not to participate in Israeli elections until the next Congress on October 28, 2025.
- Not have voted for the Zionist Congress in another federation and pledge not to do so until the next Zionist Congress on October 28, 2025.

3. Voter Registration and Zionist Shekel

Registration is done online via the official website. A voting notification is sent by email. The following information must be provided during registration:

- Full first and last name
- Date of birth
- City of residence
- Email address
- Telephone number

Each voter must pay the Zionist Shekel (€5) to their Zionist organization (list) in Germany. Each list/organization transfers the Zionist Shekel to the Federation according to the number of votes received, per the central election rules. This facilitates registration and voting for voters.

4. Submission of Candidate Lists

Submission Period: May 18, 2025, to June 5, 2025.

Only Zionist movements or individuals who meet the required criteria and are recognized by the World Zionist Organization (WZO) and the German Zionist Federation may submit a list.

Submission must be made by the local representative in Germany. A confirmation letter authorizing the representative to officially act on behalf of the movement/faction/group must be submitted.

Individuals or movements not represented by at least one delegate at the last Zionist Congress must submit 100 signatures from eligible supporters. These may be collected via Google Forms or as paper lists with handwritten signatures and personal data, as outlined in the annex "4. Submission of Candidate Lists."

Each list should include one to two main candidates and substitute candidates. The total number of candidates should ideally not exceed twice the number of delegates allocated to Germany (Germany has been allocated two delegates for the 2025 Congress).

The composition of a submitted list is final and cannot be changed after submission to the AEC (local election committee).

Each list may name another list to transfer surplus votes for the allocation of the final seat. This is optional and cannot be changed after submission.

Submission is subject to prior payment of €5,000.00 to ZOD e.V.

5. Verification and Validation of Candidacies and Voters

The local election committee (AEC) checks compliance with candidate and voter regulations. Voters who do not meet the criteria or commit fraud will be excluded without reimbursement of the Zionist Shekel.

6. Voting Method

Lists must pass an electoral threshold set at half of the quotient of 100% divided by the number of lists. Only lists that exceed this threshold participate in seat allocation. Seats are allocated using the D'Hondt method, dividing the number of votes by 1, 2, 3, etc., and assigning seats based on the highest quotients. The final seat is allocated by comparing the two highest remaining quotients, including transferred votes from other lists.

7. Oversight and Dispute Resolution

The provider of the voting platform is responsible for data protection during the election process.

The local Zionist election committee (AEC) resolves disputes between:

- Competing parties and candidates
- Participating organizations/associations

8. Deadlines for Appeals and Objections

- Rejected List: Appeal within 72 hours of AEC notification.
- Voter List Objection: Appeal within 48 hours after validation by AEC.
- Election Results: Objection within 72 hours after results are announced by the AEC.

The official version of these regulations is in German; in case of disputes or discrepancies, the German version shall prevail.

9. General Provisions

For all matters not explicitly regulated herein, the WZO Constitution and the election regulations for the Zionist World Congress apply.

Approved by the AEC Germany, on May 18, 2025

Submission of the List for the Elections to the Zionist Congress 2025 in Germany

1. Obligations of the Movement

We, the organization

hereby undertake to comply with the following conditions:

- a) Transfer of the amount of €5,000.00 no later than May 30, 2025, to the
Zionist Organization in Germany ZOD e.V.
Stadtsparkasse Düsseldorf
- b) IBAN No.: DE28 3005 0110 1008 9218 33
BIC: DUSSDEDDXXX
- b) Adherence to fair play rules and conducting a positive campaign for Zionism.
- c) Submission of an authorization letter from your organization represented at the WZO.

2. Acceptance of the Election Regulations

I, the undersigned _____,
Chairperson, hereby declare that I unconditionally accept the attached election regulations
for the elections to the Zionist Congress in Germany.

3. Transfer of Votes

We authorize the transfer of our votes for the final mandate in accordance with the election
regulations (see annex) to:

Name of the responsible person:

Date: // _____

Signature (with notation "Read and Approved"):

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4. List of Candidates (maximum 2)

Candidate No. 1:

First and Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: // _____

Address: _____

Email / Phone: _____

I declare that I reside in Germany. I declare that I am a Zionist.

I fully recognize the Jerusalem Program and the AEC election regulations.

Please attach copies (front and back) of the candidates' ID cards.

Date: // _____

Signature: _____

Candidate No. 2:

First and Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: // _____

Address: _____

Email / Phone: _____

I declare that I reside in Germany. I declare that I am a Zionist.

I fully recognize the Jerusalem Program and the AEC election regulations.

Please attach copies (front and back) of the candidates' ID cards.

Date: // _____

Signature: _____

Substitute Candidate No. 1:

First and Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: // _____

Address: _____

Email / Phone: _____

I declare that I reside in Germany. I declare that I am a Zionist.

I fully recognize the Jerusalem Program and the AEC election regulations.

Please attach copies (front and back) of the candidates' ID cards.

Date: // _____

Signature: _____

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Substitute Candidate No. 2:

First and Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: // _____

Address: _____

Email / Phone: _____

I declare that I reside in Germany. I declare that I am a Zionist.

I fully recognize the Jerusalem Program and the AEC election regulations.

Please attach copies (front and back) of the candidates' ID cards.

Date: // _____

Signature: _____

Substitute Candidate No. 3:

First and Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: // _____

Address: _____

Email / Phone: _____

I declare that I reside in Germany. I declare that I am a Zionist.

I fully recognize the Jerusalem Program and the AEC election regulations.

Please attach copies (front and back) of the candidates' ID cards.

Date: // _____

Signature: _____

Substitute Candidate No. 4:

First and Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: // _____

Address: _____

Email / Phone: _____

I declare that I reside in Germany. I declare that I am a Zionist.

I fully recognize the Jerusalem Program and the AEC election regulations.

Please attach copies (front and back) of the candidates' ID cards.

Date: // _____

Signature: _____

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5. Independent Individual Candidates

Candidate No. 1

First and Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: // _____

Address: _____

Email / Phone: _____

I declare that I reside in Germany. I declare that I am a Zionist.

I fully recognize the Jerusalem Program and the AEC election regulations.

Please attach copies (front and back) of the candidates' ID cards.

Date: // _____

Signature: _____

Substitute Candidate No. 1

First and Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: // _____

Address: _____

Email / Phone: _____

I declare that I reside in Germany. I declare that I am a Zionist.

I fully recognize the Jerusalem Program and the AEC election regulations.

Please attach copies (front and back) of the candidates' ID cards.

Date: // _____

Signature: _____

Note:

Completed and signed documents must be sent as PDF files via email to:

Friedrich Thul, Coordinator of the AEC: fthul@gmx.de

Deadline: Receipt no later than May 30, 2025 – 11:59 p.m.

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