

How to the minor parties stack up when it comes to refugees

Party	Policy	Candidates	Preferences if known
<p>The following parties are explicitly anti refugees who come by irregular means. Many are also concerned about Islam Immigration.</p>			
<p>Australian Conservatives</p>	<p>Immigration to Australia must be in our economic, social and cultural interest. Migrants should contribute to Australia and repay welfare through the tax system.</p> <p>We will withdraw from the UN Refugee Convention, and never resettle those who arrive here illegally.</p> <p>We will reform all classes of visas and the processes used to obtain them.</p> <p>Termination of permanent residency and changes to requirements for citizenship.</p>	<p>YORK, Sophie BOSI, Riccardo SHELTON, Lyle LINDGREN, Joanna HORAN, Kate LAMBERT, Rikki TEUSNER, Carl STRINGER, Justin FRAME, Nigel BAILEY, Kevin VAN STRIJP, Nina THOMAS, Trent CRABTREE, Jonathan CASTIEAU, Peter BRAZIER, Matt</p>	
<p>Love Australia or Leave</p>	<p>Hardline Immigration Policy Combating Extremism & Islamisation in Australia Halal Certification Dedicated Incarceration Facility for Terrorists</p>	<p>BARBER, Russell VUGA, Kim WYATT, Gavin Albert STREET, Karen</p>	
<p>Australian Better Families</p>	<p><i>Silent on refugee policy</i></p>	<p>DRURY, Jewell MOUJALLI, Peter CAULFIELD, Darren FINCH, Adam FOX, Rod</p>	<p>All preferences go to minor conservative parties</p>

		BECK, Greg	
Shooters. Fishers and Farmers Party	Support offshore processing of illegal migrants.	COOKE, Brett BORSAK, Wayne HODGES, Jeff POPE, Andrew HAHN, John KIRK, Wayne Lawrence BYFIELD, Rebecca Anthea SWANSON, Kim MUIR, Ricky STOCK, Damian OSTLE, Stuart William LEAN, Ronald	
The Great Australia Party	Founded by Rod Culleton and its first preferences go to The Australian Conservatives. No mention of human rights, foreign policy or refugee rights	HOPKINS, Matthew BURGE, Karen MARTIN, Arjay Rase MOOHIN, Tania ALDRIDGE, Mark MATTHEWS, Gary O'BRYAN, Darryl EDWARDS, Helen Maxine CULLETON, Rodney Norman GLEW, Wayne Kenneth	
Yellow Vest Australia Party	Stop the Islamisation of Australia Islam is not merely a religion, it is a totalitarian ideology with global aspirations. Islam uses the religious element as a means to project itself onto non-Islamic societies, which is manifest in the historical and ongoing expansion of Islam. A multitude of groups, movements and multi-national organisations are actively pursuing this agenda globally, including in Australia. These organisations differ in their strategies, tactical approach and their message, but	BROWN, Siobhann FRANKLIN, Terri ROBINSON, Debbie GORMAN, Catherine	

	<p>the common denominator is the desire to promote Islam and project Islam's societal model of a divinely ordained theocracy across the world.</p>		
<p>Rise up Australia Party</p>	<p>Those who are found to have manipulated the system, exhibited violent or aggressive behaviour, destroyed identity documents or are incompatible with the Australian way of life are refused entry.</p> <p>Strongly consider restricting, even preventing, migration from countries who are proving to be of a national security or terror risk, and we make no apologies for this hard-line approach.</p> <p>Rise Up Australia' is highly compassionate to the needs of refugees, we also believe adequate medical and child care can be undertaken offshore, without giving in to pressure, which sends the wrong message to people smugglers, effectively giving them a green light. We need to remain strong on border protection and RUAP will be your voice in Parliament to hold the line on this issue.</p>	<p>NICHOLS, Maree SHIGROV, Vladimir TOOP, Leo PILE, Jan HARRIS, Leslie HEALY, Graham HENAWAY, Lionel CRESTANI, Rosalie NALLIAH, Daniel</p>	
<p>Pauline Hansen Party</p>	<p>Remove Australia from the U.N. Refugee Convention</p> <p>Travel Ban from Known Extremist Countries</p> <p>Asylum Seekers should make an application for asylum in the first safe country they reach. Travel beyond the first safe country is, we say, for economic reasons</p>	<p>McCULLOCH, Kate REED, Barry ROBERTS, Malcolm DICKSON, Steve GAME, Jennifer ILLIES, Emma STEPHEN, Matthew LAMBERT, Adam HALLAM, James CAMERON, Ian John GEORGIU, Peter SUTER, Martin Graham</p>	
<p>Frazer Anning Party</p>	<p>Social cohesion by an immigration program that gives preference to those best able to integrate and assimilate.</p>	<p>VAN DUREN, Shane BIRKETT, Scott THOMSON, Carolyn YOUNG, Gary SWANN, Paul WHARTON, Ian DICKSON, Mark James</p>	

		WHEELER, James David Richard	
Liberal Democrat	Australians who are concerned about refugees should be allowed to house them in their own homes at their own expense, according to new Liberal Democrats Senator Duncan Spender.	SPENDER, Duncan NEVILLE, Codie BUCKLEY, Gabe RUSSELL, Lloyd T J RANSLEY, Kimbra Louise HUMBLE, Stephen MEAD, Clinton RABEY, Matthew KENNEDY, Robert O'SULLIVAN, Kirsty Maree GRAY, John Patrick	No Directed preferences
Senior United Party of Australia	Seniors United does not support the idea of a "big Australia". We believe that the current immigration system is broken and needs a complete overhaul.	GERANTONIS, Paul DUCKER, Helen	
Australian Christians Party	<i>Silent on refugee policy</i>	JOUBERT, Ellen YOUNG, Trevor	Preferences flow to Liberal Party via conservative Parties
Involuntary Medication Objectors Party	<i>Silent on Refugee Policy</i>	O'NEILL, Michael BURNUM BURNUM, Marelle LAHN, Allona ROWE, Adam WILYMAN, Judy KINSELLA, Michelle	Preferences all go to other conservative parties
No clear position on refugees			

HEMP Party	<i>Silent on refugee policy</i>	KATELARIS, Andrew BALDERSTONE, Michael KAVASILAS, Andrew LAWRENCE, Lance JIGGENS, John JORDAN, Frank ADAMS, Angela IVERSEN, Matthew INFORMAL, Alfred OWEN, Matt HOOD, Frances GLADMAN, Heather Marie LETHBRIDGE, Nick RAYNER, Mark	
Jacqui Lambie Party	Lambie has expressed anti refugee sentiments in the past but the current policy is silent on refugee policy	LAMBIE, Jacqui WILLIAMS, Glynn REYNOLDS, Chris	No preference suggested
Democratic Labor Party	Asylum seeker policy is currently under review	HANNA, Daniel John O'BRIEN, Benedict Raymond Thomas	Until the latest scandal preferences went to One Nation
Derryn Hinch Justice Party	<i>Silent on refugee policy</i>	HINCH, Derryn O'BRIEN, Simone	No preferences specified but ALPs preferences flow to this party ahead of The Greens
The Women's Party	Progressive Party but silent on Refugee Policy	De VENDRE, Divvi LLOYD, Penelope	

Republican Party of Australia	Unable to locate any policy documents post 2016. Silent on refugee policy	LUTZ, Geoff CONSANDINE, Peter	
Katter Australian Party	Migrants and long-term visa entrants should be limited to levels Australia can afford based on job creation and Nation Building Infrastructure. Migrant and long-term visa entrant levels should also be reflective of the creation of necessary facilities and infrastructure. Those allowed to migrate, should be those best able to assimilate and integrate with a demonstrated commitment to work for a living and to follow Australian values.	MARRIOTT, Joy WALLACE, Gregory John WEBB, Alan	
Christian Democratic Party	Each nation needs to manage its immigration so that there is a balance of visitors and immigrants that will contribute positively to the nation. In the last several years we have seen a rise in immigration that has outpaced infrastructure and potentially affecting housing affordability, health affordability, and employment declines, and a strain on the social security system resulting in community disquiet towards some new immigrants. This has the potential to change the character of the Australian society. Immigration needs to be carefully managed, taken on the advice of demographic experts and not growth economics.	KIM, David NILE, Silvana WRIGHT, Annie PAYNE, Bob MURPHY, Kevin	Not mentioned – but in the past have tended to flow to the Liberal Party
Western Australia Party	https://catespeaks.com/2019/04/03/federal-election-2019-meet-the-western-australia-party/ Silent on refugees but its WA first at all costs and hints about men being hard done by in the family court do not suggest likelihood of support	MATHESON, Julie FREILICH, David John THOMPSON, Bruce NORRIS, Ron BRADLEY, Rod	Preferences directed to Conservative parties then The Liberal Party
Citizens Electoral Council	The key focus of this party is the banks and strong accountability. It mixes progressive and conservative policies but it does criticize offshore mandatory detention	LAWLER, Ann BUTLER, Robert CAMPBELL, Trudy FLYNN, Peter PUKALLUS, Jan HOPE, Danny	

		ALLWOOD, Sean SIEBERT, Paul Graham WILLIAMS, Ray KUCINA, Steve ISHERWOOD, Craig PEUT, Gabrielle ROBINSON, Jean MASON, Barry	
Christian Democratic Party	<i>Silent on refugee policy</i>		Preference to Liberal Party
“No fixed position”			
Climate Action, Immigration Action, Accountable	See this blog post https://catespeaks.com/2019/04/25/federal-election-2019-meet-climate-action-immigration-action-accountable-politicians/ This is in fact a ‘direct democracy party that will vote on policy matters only in response to an online voting process. Given the apathy around the detaining and torturing of refugees for over 6 years This is not something I would put my faith in.	DEBENHAM, Nick FORSYTH, Guy BULLEN, Kris STEVENSON, Robyn Lesley AYTON, Philip John KOMPARA, Monika	No directed preferences
Vote Flux Org	Direct democracy Party hence no position	RUSHTON, Ben COTTERILL, Joanne PERRY, Dustin CARRIE-WILSON, Seb TAAFFE, Melissa TREASURE, Leo	

Sustainable Australia Party	<p>We maintain an open mind about whether asylum seekers should be processed onshore or offshore and would consult with experts on this matter where appropriate, if elected.” Also want to keep a low cap on total number of refugees.</p>	<p>HAYDON, John ANGEL, Joy BOURKE, William GRZIC, Warren MURRAY, Cameron SIMPSON, Chris DAVIES, Graham COLEMAN, Robyn DUDLEY, Todd William MACLAY, Christopher Brian DOENSEN, Allan WEARNE, Madeleine BARTLETT, Yasmin Maree SCOTT, Colin Robert</p>	<p>No directed preferences</p>
Some support for refugees – varied stances – some very limited			
Australian People’s Party	<p>Refugees provided with protection visas until safe to return to their original country Refugee visa processing within 90 days Silent on all other matters</p>	<p>GEORGANTIS, Steven TSANGARIS, Susan PTOLEMY, Mark NGUYEN, Maria BRADLEY, Gregory John WELLSTEAD, Kathleen EVERARD, Narelle GAYNOR, Kevin Joseph</p>	
Centre Alliance Party	<p>Genuine asylum seekers must be treated with dignity and compassion. The bipartisan support for offshore processing, in order to discourage dangerous boat journeys to Australia, should be matched with an increase in the humanitarian intake to at least 27,000 places per year. However, priority should be given to timely (preferably within 12 months) resettlement to appropriate countries, working together with the United Nations High</p>	<p>KAKOSCHKE-MOORE, Skye BOSSIE, Craig</p>	

	<p>Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). Above all, Australia must play a key role for an orderly regional solution to this crisis.</p> <p>Examples of what needs to be done:</p> <p>Depending on the outcome of the assessment, individuals must either be returned to their country of origin where safe and practical to do so, or settled in another country with the co-operation of the UNHCR.</p> <p>Government must ensure the safety and security of refugees in offshore processing centres, including timely health and mental health care.</p> <p>International agencies such as the UNHCR, Red Cross and media organisations should have access to any detention centres.</p> <p>Whistleblowers must be protected for speaking out.</p>		
<p>United Australia Party</p>	<p>Note: Old media release, where Palmer rebukes the PM Turnbull</p> <p><i>Mr Palmer said the allegations of torture and abuse of refugees including women and children at Manus Island and Nauru were a crucial test for Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull and his government ministers to show compassion and leadership.</i></p> <p><i>Party policy includes Revising the current Australian Government's Refugee Policy to ensure Australia is protected and refugees are given opportunities for a better future and lifestyle</i></p>	<p>WALTER, Peter HODGSON, Rebecah Elen BURSTON, Brian BERNIER, Christine Pamela MOORE, Wayne WOLF, Michael J McROBERT, Ross Thomas PALMER, Clive BREWSTER, Martin David BATZKE, Yodie REES, Kristian KOVACS, Kerry HOSKIN, Sharon Lee MORGAN, Kevin WILLIAMS, David GUNNIS, Craig THOOLEN, Catriona Cecilia O'CONNOR, Katie Lucinda McKAY, Roger</p>	<p>Liberal Party deal</p>

		McDONALD, James SEWELL, Russell HARDWICK, Patrick John	
Health Australia Party	The protection and humane and dignified treatment of anybody seeking asylum once they arrive in Australia or its territories , and regardless of their ethnicity or religion, is fundamental to the HAP.	KNIGHT, Molly FAIRBAIRN, Jason GOLDEN, Isaac HICKS, Andrew CRAIES, Teddy WALLIS, Emily	No preferences
Australian Mental Health Party	Silent on refugees but broadly progressive	STEVENSON, Paul Joseph MULLINGS, Ben	Preferences flow to The Greens
Secular Party of Australia	Refugees should be discouraged from attempting to enter Australia via boats; however, the current detention centre arrangements are inhumane and another solution is needed. It is undesirable that refugees bring with them extreme religious values that make it difficult for them to integrate into Australian society. Sectarian violence is a prime motivator of migrant flows. It is the policy of the Secular Party that in order to accept a higher quota of refugees we need to ensure that children of all faiths mix together and learn about the nature of religions and secular ideals. Prospective refugees must be aware that indoctrination of their children in any religion in school will not be permitted.	SULTAN, Harris PERKINS, John L	Flows via various parties to Greens then ALP
Support for refugees but silent on some aspects			
Science Party	Under the 20/20 vision, the Science Party will increase Australia's humanitarian intake in proportion to other migration schemes. In the short term the additional places created should be offered to recognised refugees in	LEONG, Andrea SLAVICH, Eve FURNESS, Peter PARKER, Greg	

	Indonesia and Malaysia to reduce the demand for smuggling, as per the recommendations of the <u>Houston Report</u> . The Science Party has not yet resolved on further policy in this area; a number of options are under discussion.		
Independents for Climate Action Now	ICAN will pursue the development of a National Sustainable Population Policy that remains cognisant of the economic contributions of immigration and our humanitarian commitment to refugee re-settlement while seeking to stabilise the resource demands and associated carbon footprint of Australia's population.	BOWER, Rod TAIT, Jim SCHNEIDER, Annette LEWIS, Andrew LOKKERS, Cornel PEAD, Gary WITTWER, Paul CORDNER HUNT, Kammy	Preferences to other Climate Action Groups
Animal Justice Party	Our policies will enable Australia to reduce it's impact on wildlife and the rest of the natural environment while maintaining a compassionate approach to both migrants and refugees while keeping the home-grown component of our population	POLLARD, Angela DELLO-IACOVO, Michael Armando BELLENGER, Carol KELLY, Karagh-Mae COUTTS, Leah Marie HARDY, Belinda PFEIFFER, Louise DAVEY, Wendy BEVIS, Karen Louise TURNER, Isobel Bertoz SCHULTZ, Ben McROSTIE, Fiona LOVE, Katrina HENRY, Courtney	
Affordable Housing Party¹	Supports Australia's migration program and opposes immigration policies that single out particular groups or place refugees on precarious temporary	POTTS, Andrew ZIEBELL, Anthony John	

	<p>protection visas that are constantly reviewed which would prevent them and their families from planning for their futures.</p> <p>We also oppose the idea that a divisive national plebiscite should be held on immigration into Australia as has been suggested by One Nation and Senator Frazer Anning.</p>		
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**Good policy position on refugees
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<p>Pirate Party²</p>	<p>According to this blog https://catespeaks.com/2019/05/03/federal-election-2019-meet-the-pirate-party-australia/ the Pirate Party has a strong position on refugee policy</p> <p>They want a single regional ‘queue’, and fast processing for asylum seekers. Asylum seekers arriving anywhere in the region should be subject to a single processing system overseen by an independent body with all participating nations accepting a share of approved refugees. The existence of a common regional queue would remove specific incentives to travel to Australia, reducing drowning and deterring backdoor economic migration. A regional approach would encourage information pooling to improve document and identity checking, and a transparent allocation process to reduce disputes between nations. The creation of a new system of oversight would allow for a best practice approach built from the ground up, with a humane appeals process and a means for swift and safe return of arrivals deemed not to be asylum seekers.</p>	<p>AUGUST, John JOYCE, Sara SELIC, Brandon WHITICKER, Miles BRIESE, Tania SMITH, Shannon MYERS, Clive de ABEL, Paul</p>	
<p>Australian Workers Party</p>	<p>Anyone fleeing persecution and harm has the right to seek asylum. It is completely lawful to do so. As Australia is a party to international treaties on this matter, the AWP supports a person's right to seek asylum in our country. We do not support offshore detention for people seeking asylum for humanitarian, ethical and financial reasons. We do not support offshore detention with indefinite time frames or bans on asylum seekers ever coming to Australia if resettled elsewhere. We certainly do not support the detention of children. We support timely processing of anyone seeking asylum with thorough checks without any bias based upon point of origin, religion or culture. Those people who have been found to be clear to enter Australia should be classified as immigrants and settled in a timely manner.</p>	<p>PTOLEMY, Mark NGUYEN, Maria BRADLEY, Gregory John WELLSTEAD, Kathleen EVERARD, Narelle GAYNOR, Kevin Joseph</p>	

Socialist Alliance	<p>End the Liberal and Labor bipartisan policy of keeping refugees out of under the guise of attacking “people smuggling” and “border security”. Free all the refugees from detention centres in Australia and from offshore detention centres that the Australian government sub-contracts out. End mandatory detention. End deportations.</p> <p>Their policy provides extensive details on this subject</p>	PRICE, Susan McALEAR, Joel HARLEY, Petrina SALMON, Alex	
Australian Democrats	For those seeking asylum by boat - offshore detention expensive and inhumane. Processing can happen in a timely manner onshore. It would be better to pursue regional approaches by partnering with our neighbours to set up more processing centres (less need to get on boats then) – twitter communication	MAILLER, Pete BUCKMAN, Chris BURROW, Tim CASTRIQUE, Andrew COLLYER, David WILLIAMS, Marc	
Socialist Equality Party	The SEP is the only party that unconditionally defends immigrants and refugees. Our election statement explains: “The SEP opposes all forms of racism and nationalism, which pit worker against worker and scapegoat the most vulnerable layers of the working class—particularly immigrants and refugees—for the social crisis created by capitalism. We unconditionally defend the basic democratic right of refugees and immigrants to live, study and work in Australia, or anywhere in the world, with full citizenship rights.”	DAVIS, John PHILLIPS, Richard PIETSCH, Tessa WARDLE, Jason John Bradley	