

TEMPORARY RESIDENTS PROGRAM

Fact sheet – Link to an Australian citizen or permanent resident

If your child has a parent or step-parent who is an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia, you may be eligible for exemption of the Temporary Residents Program administration fee and education fee.

The Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia may be:

- the biological mother to the child
- the biological father to the child
- a step-parent who is married to the biological parent of the child
- a step-parent who is in a de facto relationship with the biological parent of the child
- a person who legally adopted the child.

Conditions of exemption

- The child must have a parent or step-parent who is an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia.
- The child must have a valid application lodged with the Department of Home Affairs for a permanent resident visa.
- Where the biological parent and step-parent are in a de facto relationship, the child must have a valid application lodged with the Department of Home Affairs for a permanent resident visa under the family stream of the Migration Program.
- The Temporary Residents Program *Application form for an Authority to Enrol* must be completed for the child.
- A copy of the child's passport and current visa issued by the Department of Home Affairs must be submitted with the Temporary Residents Program *Application form for an Authority to Enrol*.
- Additional documents to prove the link to an Australian citizen or permanent resident are required. These are listed on the next page.

Exclusions to exemption

- If the child is holding, or applying, for a student visa (subclass 500, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 580 or 590), you are not eligible for the fee exemption.

Information supplied to the Temporary Residents Program

If you provide false or misleading information to the Temporary Residents Program, it may lead to termination of your child's enrolment. The New South Wales Department of Education may also commence legal action to recover education fees.

Additional documents

These documents must be provided in your application to prove your child has a valid link to an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia.

If the biological parent is an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia, you need to provide:

- a copy of your child's birth certificate
- proof your child has a valid application lodged with the Department of Home Affairs for a permanent resident visa
- proof the biological parent is an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia. This may be a copy of the biological parent's Australian passport or permanent resident visa.

If the biological parent is married to an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia, you need to provide:

- a copy of your child's birth certificate
- proof your child has a valid application lodged with the Department of Home Affairs for a permanent resident visa
- a copy of the marriage certificate between the biological parent and the Australian citizen or permanent resident
- proof the step-parent is an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia. This may be a copy of the step-parent Australian passport or permanent resident visa.

If the biological parent is in a de facto relationship with an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia, you need to provide:

- a copy of your child's birth certificate
- proof your child has a valid application lodged with the Department of Home Affairs for a permanent resident visa under the family stream of the Migration Program
- proof the step-parent is an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia. This may be a copy of the step-parent Australian passport or permanent resident visa
- proof the biological parent is in a genuine de facto relationship with an Australian citizen or permanent resident. The biological parent and step-parent must complete the *Statutory Declaration* on the next page.

If the child is legally adopted by an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia, you need to provide:

- a copy of your child's birth certificate
- proof your child has a valid application lodged with the Department of Home Affairs for a permanent resident visa
- proof the adopted parent is an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia. This may be a copy of the adopted parent's Australian passport or permanent resident visa
- a copy of the adoption compliance certificate or a copy of the order effecting the adoption.

Need more information

To find out more about the Temporary Residents Program, please visit deinternational.nsw.edu.au/trp or call our Customer Service Team on 1300 300 229 (then option 1).