



Australian Government

Department of Immigration
and Border Protection

Application for migration to Australia by a child

Form
47CH

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection (the Department) acknowledges that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are the traditional custodians of the Australian land.

Life in Australia – Australian values

The Australian Government encourages people to gain an understanding of Australia, its people and their way of life, before applying for a visa to live in Australia.

This includes understanding that the English language, as the national language, is an important unifying element of Australian society. Australian society is also united through the following shared values:

- respect for the freedom and dignity of the individual;
- freedom of religion;
- commitment to the rule of law;
- Parliamentary democracy;
- equality of men and women;
- a spirit of egalitarianism that embraces mutual respect, tolerance, fair play and compassion for those in need and pursuit of the public good;
- equality of opportunity for individuals, regardless of their race, religion or ethnic background.

The *Life in Australia* booklet provides more information on the values that Australians share and their way of life. This booklet is available in a wide range of languages. If the applicant has not already received a copy of the booklet then it can be obtained from www.border.gov.au

If the applicant is 18 years of age or over, they must have read the *Life in Australia* booklet before completing this application form. If they have difficulty, or are unable to read the booklet, they may have the content of it explained to them, for example, by a friend or relative. This form contains a statement, that they must sign, that confirms they understand and will respect the values of Australian society (as explained in the booklet) and will obey the laws of Australia. This includes acknowledging what would be required if they later applied for Australian citizenship.

About this form

Important – Please read the detailed requirements in booklet 2, *Child Migration*, and the following information carefully before completing this form. Once the application is completed, we strongly advise that the applicant keep a copy for their records.

If the applicant is a child who is under 16 years of age, the child's parent, relative or guardian may complete and sign the form on the child's behalf (depending on the visa for which the child is applying).

Note: If the child is applying from outside Australia, he/she will be applying to migrate. If the child is applying in Australia, he/she will be applying for permanent residence. In this form the term 'migrate' covers both.

Integrity of application

The Department is committed to maintaining the integrity of the visa and citizenship programmes. In relation to this application, if you or a member of your family unit:

- provide, or have provided in a previous application, fraudulent documents or false or misleading information (knowingly or not); and/or
- fail to satisfy, or have failed to satisfy in a previous application, the Minister of your or their identity;

this visa application may be refused and you, and any members of your family unit, may become unable to be granted a visa for specified periods of time, as set out in migration legislation.

If documents are found to be fraudulent or information to be incorrect after the grant of a visa, the visa may subsequently be cancelled.

Before lodging the application

Make sure the **required documents** are attached to the application.

Make sure all instructions relevant to the visa for which the child is applying have been followed. Refer to booklet 2, *Child Migration*.

The child's sponsor should complete form 40CH *Sponsorship for a child to migrate to Australia*. Both forms (47CH and 40CH) should be lodged together.

Making a valid application

To lodge a valid application:

- this form must be used – it is available from the Department's website www.border.gov.au/allforms/ or from any office of the Department in Australia or Australian mission overseas;
- indicate the correct visa class (Child, Adoption or Orphan Relative) at Part A of this form. If the child is supported by an Australian state or territory welfare authority, this should also be indicated at Part A.

Note: Australian state or territory welfare authority supported child refers only to children in the permanent or long-term care of an Australian state or territory government welfare authority. It does not relate to any other type of support.

- provide the address where the applicant intends to live while the application is being dealt with. Failure to give a residential address will result in the application being invalid.
Note: A post office box address will not be accepted as an applicant's residential address;
- pay the required Visa Application Charge;
- attach any documentation that is required to be provided with this application; and
- if the child is outside Australia, you must send or deliver this application to the nearest Australian visa office outside Australia;

- if the child is in Australia you cannot lodge this application in person. You must post or courier the application to the Perth office in Western Australia.

You can **post** the application (with correct pre-paid postage) to:

Department of Immigration and Border Protection
Child and Other Family Processing Centre
Locked Bag 7
NORTHBRIDGE WA 6865

OR

You can have the application delivered by **courier** service to:

Department of Immigration and Border Protection
Child and Other Family Processing Centre
Wellington Central
836 Wellington Street
WEST PERTH WA 6005

In addition, if you are in Australia, have had a visa refused or cancelled and do not hold a substantive visa, to make a valid application you must:

- be under 25 years of age unless claiming to be incapacitated for work due to disability; and
- provide an approved form 40CH *Sponsorship for a child to migrate to Australia* that has been completed and signed by an Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident or eligible New Zealand citizen who claims to be the parent of the applicant.

The applicant must ensure that:

- the form is completed in English;
- all questions are answered truthfully; and
- supporting documents are provided where necessary.

If incorrect information or documents are provided, this may affect whether or not a visa is granted, or whether or not the visa might subsequently be cancelled.

Read the notes on each question. If a question is not applicable, write 'N/A'. Any changes or corrections made to the form must be initialled and dated by each person who signs the form. If Part I of this form is used or additional sheets of paper are attached, ensure each page is signed and dated by all persons who sign the form.

Visa Application Charge

Refer to *Part M – Payment details* of this form to calculate the correct charge and make payment.

Refer to www.border.gov.au for a complete and current list of applicable fees and charges.

Fees and charges may be subject to change at any time and this may increase the cost of a visa application.

Generally, Visa Application Charges are reviewed on 1 July each year, and the exchange rates used to calculate the amount payable in a foreign country are updated on 1 January and 1 July each year.

If you do not pay the full Visa Application Charge amount, your visa application will not be valid.

Charges are generally not refundable, even if the application is withdrawn or refused.

Method of payment

In Australia

To make a payment, please pay by credit card, bank cheque or money order made payable to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. Credit card is the preferred method of payment.

Outside Australia

Before making a payment outside Australia, please check with the Australian Government office where the application is to be lodged as to what methods of payment and currencies they can accept and to whom the payment should be made payable.

Who the form covers

The application form covers the child and, if applicable, any members of the family unit of that child.

Parental responsibility (custody) requirement (for a child under 18 years of age)

If another parent or any other person can legally determine where the child can live, permission for the child to migrate to Australia must be obtained from that person. This must be in the form of either a completed form 1229 *Consent to grant an Australian visa to a child under the age of 18 years* or a statutory declaration. Alternatively, the parental responsibility (custody) requirement will be satisfied if the sponsoring parent is in possession of a valid court order in relation to the child which permits them to permanently remove the child from the child's home country; or has a valid Australian child order issued by the Family Court of Australia and the grant of the visa would be consistent with that order.

Including family members in your application

In your visa application you will be asked for information about each member of your family unit even if they do not intend to migrate with you. Information about which family members are considered to be a 'member of your family unit' for migration purposes is available by referring to form 1496i *Including family members in your application*. Form 1496i is available from the Department's website www.border.gov.au/allforms/ or offices of the Department. You should ensure that you read and understand form 1496i before completing this form.

Supporting documents

Documents that must be provided with the application are listed in Part H of this application form. The Department may ask for further documentation during the processing of the application. 'Certified copies' of documents mean copies authorised or stamped as being true copies of originals by a person or agency recognised by the law of the child's home country. In Australia, they must be certified by a justice of the peace or commissioner for declarations or by a person before whom a statutory declaration may be made. All documents not in English must be accompanied by a certified English translation of the original. Originals of the documents may be asked for at a later stage. Do not provide originals unless the Department specifically asks for them.

Note: Applicants and sponsors are encouraged to use the local websites of Australian overseas missions to check for special local documentation requirements before lodging the child's visa application. Website addresses are located on the Department's website www.border.gov.au

Health

All applicants for permanent visas including the main applicant, spouse and any dependants must be assessed against the health requirement. Even if the applicant's spouse and dependants are not included in the visa application, they must still be assessed against the health requirement.

Applicants for a permanent visa will be asked to undergo a medical examination, an x-ray if 11 years of age or over and an HIV test if 15 years of age or over, as well as any additional tests required by the Medical Officer of the Commonwealth (MOC).

Note: Applicants may have already undertaken a health assessment for their visa. However, the Department reserves the right to request additional health examinations as part of this visa application process.

Important information about privacy

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988*. Important information about the collection, use and disclosure (to other agencies and third parties, including overseas entities) of your personal information, including sensitive information, is contained in form 1442i *Privacy notice*. Form 1442i is available from the Department's website www.border.gov.au/allforms/ or offices of the Department. You should ensure that you read and understand form 1442i before completing this form.

Immigration assistance

A person gives immigration assistance to you if he or she uses, or claims to use, his or her knowledge or experience in migration procedure to assist you with your visa application, request for ministerial intervention, cancellation review application, sponsorship or nomination.

In Australia a person may only lawfully give immigration assistance if he or she is a registered migration agent or is exempt from being registered. Only registered migration agents may receive a fee or reward for providing immigration assistance.

If an unregistered person in Australia, who is not exempt from registration, gives you immigration assistance they are committing a criminal offence and may be prosecuted.

Migration agents in Australia

Migration agents in Australia must be registered with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (Office of the MARA) unless they are exempt from registration.

Migration agents outside Australia

Migration agents who operate outside Australia do not have to be registered. The Department may give some overseas agents an ID number. This number does not mean that they are registered.

Note: Some Australian registered migration agents operate overseas.

Migration agent information

A migration agent is someone who can:

- advise you on the visa that may best suit you;
- tell you the documents you need to submit with your application;
- help you fill in the application and submit it; and
- communicate with the Department on your behalf.

If you appoint a migration agent, the Department will assume that your migration agent will be your authorised recipient, unless you indicate otherwise.

Your migration agent will be the person with whom the Department will discuss your application and from whom it will seek further information when required.

You are not required to use a migration agent. However, if you use a migration agent, the Department encourages you to use a registered migration agent. Registered agents are bound by the Migration Agents Code of Conduct, which requires them to act professionally in their clients' lawful best interests.

Information on migration agents, including a list of registered migration agents, is available on the Office of the MARA website www.mara.gov.au

You can also access information about migration agents on the Department's website www.border.gov.au

Exempt persons

The following people do not have to be a registered migration agent in order to provide immigration assistance, but they must not charge a fee for their service:

- a close family member (spouse, de facto partner, child, parent, brother or sister);
- a member of parliament or their staff;
- an official whose duties include providing immigration assistance (eg. a Legal Aid provider, an Australian state or territory government welfare authority, etc);
- a member of a diplomatic mission, consular post or international organisation.

Appointing a migration agent/exempt person

To appoint a migration agent/exempt person you should complete *Part K – Options for receiving written communications*.

Your migration agent/exempt person should complete form 956 *Advice by a migration agent/exempt person of providing immigration assistance*.

Form 956 is available from the Department's website www.border.gov.au/allforms/

Options for receiving written communications

If you do not appoint a migration agent/exempt person you may still authorise another person, in writing, to receive written communications on your behalf. This person is called the authorised recipient.

Authorised recipient information

All written communication about your application will be sent to your authorised recipient, unless you indicate that you wish to have health and/or character information sent directly to you.

The Department will communicate with the most recently appointed authorised recipient as you may only appoint one authorised recipient at any time for a particular application.

You will be taken to have received any documents sent to that person as if they had been sent to you.

To appoint an authorised recipient you should complete:

- *Part K – Options for receiving written communications*; and
- form 956A Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient.

Note: Migration agents/exempt persons do not need to complete form 956A.

Form 956A is available from the Department's website www.border.gov.au/allforms/

For those applicants who are applying on the basis of an **inter-country adoption through a state or territory adoption authority**, please provide the adoption authority's details at Question 51 and they will be authorised to receive information about this application.

For those applicants who are applying on the basis of being a child supported by an **Australian state or territory government welfare authority (or their authorised agent) supported child**, please provide that authority's, or their authorised agent's, details where requested at Question 2. They will be authorised to receive information about this application.

Consent to communicate electronically

The Department may use a range of means to communicate with you. However, electronic means such as fax or email will only be used if you indicate your agreement to receiving communication in this way.

To process your application the Department may need to communicate with you about sensitive information, for example, health, police checks, financial viability and personal relationships. Electronic communications, unless adequately encrypted, are not secure and may be viewed by others or interfered with.

If you agree to the Department communicating with you by electronic means, the details you provide will only be used by the Department for the purpose for which you have provided them, unless there is a legal obligation or necessity to use them for another purpose, or you have consented to use for another purpose. They will not be added to any mailing list.

The Australian Government accepts no responsibility for the security or integrity of any information sent to the Department over the internet or by other electronic means.

If you authorise another person to receive documents on your behalf and they wish to be contacted electronically, their signature is required on form 956 or 956A to indicate their consent to this form of communication.

Note: Electronic communication is the fastest means of communication available and the Department prefers to communicate electronically because this results in faster processing.

Home page **www.border.gov.au**

General enquiry line Telephone **131 881** during business hours in Australia to speak to an operator (recorded information available outside these hours).
If you are outside Australia, please contact your nearest Australian mission.

Please keep these information pages for your reference



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Please open this form using Adobe Acrobat Reader.
Either type (in English) in the fields provided or print this form and complete it (in English) using a pen and BLOCK LETTERS.

Tick where applicable

Part A – Application overview

1 How many people are included in this application?

2 TYPE OF APPLICATION – *select one only*

CHILD

- OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA:
CLASS AH (CHILD – MIGRANT)
- IN AUSTRALIA:
CLASS BT (CHILD – RESIDENCE)

- ▶▶ • The child must be:
 - a biological child of the Australian parent; or
 - an adopted child or a step-child of the Australian parent within the meaning of the *Migration Act 1958*; or
 - a child conceived through an artificial conception procedure as provided for in the *Family Law Act 1975*; or
 - a child born under surrogacy arrangements, where parentage has been transferred by court order under a prescribed state or territory law.
- ▶▶ • The child must not be engaged to be married, married or in a de facto relationship.
- If the child is 18 years of age or over, they must in addition to the above be financially dependent on the Australian parent; or incapacitated for work due to a disability.
- A child 18 years of age or over must also be under 25 years of age and a full-time student unless they have a disability that stops them from working.
- ▶▶ • If the child is onshore and has had a visa refused or cancelled and does not hold a substantive visa, they must be under 25 years of age (unless claiming to be incapacitated for work due to disability), and must provide a completed and signed form 40CH *Sponsorship for a child to migrate to Australia*.
- ▶▶ • If the child is an adopted child applying outside Australia, they can only apply in this category if they were adopted by the Australian parent before the Australian parent became an Australian citizen or holder of a permanent visa or eligible New Zealand citizen.
- ▶▶ • A step-child can only be included in the Child visa application if the step-child is under 18 years of age and the Australian step-parent is no longer the partner of the child's parent but has parental responsibility in relation to the child.

ORPHAN RELATIVE

- OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA:
CLASS AH (CHILD – MIGRANT)
- IN AUSTRALIA:
CLASS BT (CHILD – RESIDENCE)

- ▶▶ • The child must be under 18 years of age and not married or in a de facto partner relationship.
 - The child must be a relative of a settled Australian citizen, settled Australian permanent resident or settled eligible New Zealand citizen who is willing to sponsor the child and be able to look after the child because the child has no parent able to care for them.
- Note:** For an Orphan Relative visa, a relative is a brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, grandparent, step-grandparent, aunt, step-aunt, uncle, step-uncle, niece, step-niece, nephew or step-nephew.

ADOPTION

- (CHILD – MIGRANT) CLASS AH

- ▶▶ Applications must be made outside Australia.
 - The child must be under 18 years of age; and
 - The child must have been adopted, or is in the process of being adopted, with the involvement of an Australian state or territory central authority (STCA).
 - If the child has been adopted without the involvement of an Australian STCA; the adoption must give full and permanent parental rights to the adopting parent; one of the adoptive parents must have resided overseas for at least 12 months prior to the visa application being lodged.
 - If the child has already been adopted by the sponsor, the child must have been adopted after the sponsor became an Australian citizen or holder of a permanent visa or eligible New Zealand citizen.
- Note:** Strict criteria apply to adoption visas: ensure that you have obtained all information before you lodge this application.

**AUSTRALIAN STATE OR TERRITORY WELFARE AUTHORITY
SUPPORTED CHILD**

▶▶ Note: The child must be currently in the permanent or long-term care of an Australian state or territory welfare authority.

Please provide contact details of the welfare authority

Name of welfare authority

Name of contact at the welfare authority

Postal address

 Postcode

Email address

Telephone number
Country code Area code Number
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Part B – Child's details

3 Child's full name
(as shown in the dependant's passport or travel document)

Family name

Given names

4 Child's name in their own language or script *(if applicable)*

5 Other ways you spell the child's name

Family name

Given names

6 Other names the child is, or has been, known by
(including name at birth, previous married names, aliases)

7 Sex Male Female

8 Child's date of birth Day Month Year

9 Child's place of birth

Town/city

Country

10 Details from the child's passport

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue Day Month Year

Date of expiry Day Month Year

Issuing authority/place of issue as shown in the passport

11 Details of identity card or identity number issued to the child by his/her government *(if applicable)* eg. National identity card.

Note: If the child is the holder of multiple identity numbers because he/she is a citizen of more than one country, you need to enter the identity number on the card from the country that the child lives in.

Identity number

Country of issue

12 Of which countries is the child a citizen?

13 Child's country of current residence

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14 Child's current relationship status

Never married or been in a de facto relationship

Engaged to be married ▶ Name of intended spouse

Date of intended marriage

Day	Month	Year
/	/	/

Married or in a de facto relationship ▶ Name of partner

Date of marriage or date de facto relationship began

Day	Month	Year
/	/	/

Previously married or in a de facto relationship ▶ Name of partner

Note: This includes children who are widowed

Period of marriage or de facto relationship

	Month	Year
From	/	/
to	/	/

15 Child's current residential address

Note: A post office box address is not acceptable as a residential address. Failure to give a residential address will result in the child's application being invalid.

Postcode

16 Child's address for correspondence
(If the same as the child's residential address, write 'AS ABOVE')

Postcode

17 Child's telephone numbers

	Country code	Area code	Number
Office hours	()	()	()
After hours	()	()	()

18 Do you agree to the Department communicating with the child by fax, email or other electronic means?

No

Yes ▶ Give details

	Country code	Area code	Number
Fax number	()	()	()
Email address			

19 Child's main language

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20 How well does the child communicate in English?

Better than functional

Functional

Limited

Not at all

21 Other languages the child reads, understands, speaks and writes fluently

22 If applying from outside Australia:
Where does the child intend to live in Australia?

Australian Capital Territory <input type="checkbox"/>	Tasmania <input type="checkbox"/>
New South Wales <input type="checkbox"/>	Victoria <input type="checkbox"/>
Northern Territory <input type="checkbox"/>	Western Australia <input type="checkbox"/>
Queensland <input type="checkbox"/>	External Territory <input type="checkbox"/>
South Australia <input type="checkbox"/>	Don't know <input type="checkbox"/>

23 If applying from outside Australia:
What is the value of money, goods and assets which the child intends to bring to Australia?

Local currency

Australian dollar equivalent

Part C – Members of the family unit

24 Does the child have any members of the family unit?

Note: Siblings of the child who wish to migrate together are not considered members of the family unit and should make their own application.

No ► **Go to Part D**

Yes

25 Give details of ALL the child's children under 18 years of age

Full name	Sex	Date of birth			Country of current residence	Citizenship	Migrating with you?	
	M/F	Day	Month	Year			No	Yes
		/	/			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		/	/			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		/	/			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		/	/			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

26 Does the child have the sole legal right to determine where each of their children under 18 years of age shall live or to permanently remove each of their children from their home country?

No ► Give details of ALL other people who have parental responsibility (custody), access or guardianship rights in relation to the child(ren)

You must attach either a completed form 1229 *Consent to grant an Australian visa to a child under the age of 18 years* or a statutory declaration from each of these people giving permission for the child(ren) to migrate.

Note: Form 1229 or the statutory declaration must be accompanied by a certified copy of the other parent/person's identification (eg. passport or driver's licence).

1. Name

Residential address

Postcode

Telephone number

Country code	Area code	Number
()	()	

Relationship to the child

Nature of the legal right

2. Name

Residential address

Postcode

Telephone number

Country code	Area code	Number
()	()	

Relationship to the child

Nature of the legal right

If insufficient space, give details at Part I – Additional information

Yes ► Attach a certified copy of the court order giving the child the sole legal right to determine where the child/children shall live or the right to permanently remove the child/children from the country

Does this document give permission for the child/children to migrate permanently?

No Yes

Part D – Details of other family members

- 27** Give details of ALL the child's other family members, not already listed in this form as members of the family unit at Part C (if not living, write 'DECEASED' in country of current residence column)

Note: Adoption visa applicants are **not** required to provide details of their biological family.

Full name	Sex	Date of birth			Relationship status (use codes below)	Country of current residence	Migrating with you?	
	M/F	Day	Month	Year			No	Yes

Parents (including step-parents)

		/	/			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		/	/			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		/	/			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		/	/			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		/	/			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Brothers and sisters (including full, half, step and adopted brothers and sisters)

		/	/			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Note: Siblings who wish to migrate together must make separate applications and have separate sponsorships.

'Relationship status' codes

M = Married
E = Engaged
F = De facto
S = Separated
D = Divorced
W = Widowed
N = Never married or been in a de facto relationship

Part E – Health

- 28** Has the child, or any other person included in this application, undertaken a health examination for an Australian visa in the last 12 months?

No

Yes ► Give details (including HAP ID if available)

31 Has the child, or any members of their family unit (migrating with the child or not), ever served in the armed forces?

No

Yes Give full names, and enclose evidence of service, discharge and rank on discharge

32 Has the child, or any members of their family unit (migrating with the child or not) previously been to Australia, held or currently hold a visa for travel to, or stay in, Australia?

No

Yes Give details

1. Full name

Purpose of stay in Australia

Date of arrival

Day	Month	Year
/	/	

Date of departure

/	/	
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Visa number

2. Full name

Purpose of stay in Australia

Date of arrival

Day	Month	Year
/	/	

Date of departure

/	/	
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Visa number

3. Full name

Purpose of stay in Australia

Date of arrival

Day	Month	Year
/	/	

Date of departure

/	/	
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Visa number

4. Full name

Purpose of stay in Australia

Date of arrival

Day	Month	Year
/	/	

Date of departure

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Visa number

Part G – Application details (for Child visa applicants only)

37 Is the child 18 years of age or over?

No ► **Go to Part H**

Yes

38 STUDENT STATUS DETAILS

Details of the child's secondary education

Name of school

Location

Date commenced

Day	Month	Year
/	/	

Date completed (or estimated date of completion)

Day	Month	Year
/	/	

39 Is the child currently undertaking a post secondary course of study leading to a trade, vocational or professional qualification (*this does not include single subject courses, hobby type courses or other general interest courses of a short duration*)?

No

Yes ► Give details

Name of institution

Location

Date commenced

Day	Month	Year
/	/	

Estimated date of completion

Day	Month	Year
/	/	

Type of qualification

Full-time Part-time

Student identification number

Attach evidence of the child's enrolment and active participation in this course of study

40 EMPLOYMENT DETAILS

Note: If the child has a disability which stops them from working, you must provide a report from a qualified medical practitioner to support this claim.

Give details of any current employment

Name and address of employer

Date commenced

Day	Month	Year
/	/	

Number of hours worked per week

Weekly earnings in local currency

Part H – Checklist

43 The following documents must be provided as part of the visa application.

Note: If the documents are in a language other than English, translations into English must be provided. In Australia, the translator must be accredited by the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters (NAATI).

Applicants and sponsors are encouraged to use the local websites of Australian overseas missions to check for specific local documentation requirements before lodging the child's visa application. Website addresses are located on the Department's website

www.border.gov.au

For **all** visa categories, please provide the following documents (as appropriate) (see *Supporting documents* on page 2 of this form about certified copies of documents and English translations)

If the child is applying in Australia, certified copies of the passport or travel document the child used to enter Australia, and of any passports held since then.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 recent passport sized photographs (45mm x 35mm) of the child (4 photos if health examinations have not been completed). These should be of the head and shoulders only, and should show the child facing the camera and against a plain background. Print the name of the child on the back of each photograph.	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the child is 16 years of age or over, a police good conduct/ character certificate for each country outside Australia where the child has lived for more than 12 months over the past 10 years (since turning 16).	<input type="checkbox"/>
Evidence that the child's sponsor is an Australian citizen, permanent resident or eligible New Zealand citizen (certified copy of birth certificate, Australian passport or foreign passport containing evidence of permanent residence, Australian citizenship certificate).	<input type="checkbox"/>
A completed form 40CH <i>Sponsorship for a child to migrate to Australia</i> that has been filled in and signed by the child's sponsor.	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the child is under 18 years of age and has been adopted without the involvement of an Australian state or territory adoption authority: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> if the sponsor and/or the sponsor's partner have spent a total of 12 months or more in Australia since turning 16 years of age, an Australian Federal Police (AFP) National Police Check from the sponsor and/or their partner; and police certificates from each other country in which the sponsor and/or the sponsor's partner have spent a total of 12 months or more in the last 10 years since turning 16 years of age. <p>Note: The sponsor and/or the sponsor's partner who are required to submit an AFP National Police Check must complete the AFP National Police Check application form that is available from the AFP website www.afp.gov.au/what-we-do/police-checks/national-police-checks.aspx</p> <p>Sponsors should use Code 33 at Section 8 on the AFP National Police Check application form and include details of any, and all, names they have been known by. If an AFP Certificate is provided based on incorrect information, the Department may request another certificate.</p> <p>Fingerprints are not required for National Police Checks.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

For **Child** visa category, please provide the following documents (as appropriate)

A certified copy of the child's birth registration showing both parent's names. If a birth certificate is not available, a certified copy of the identification pages of at least one of the following documents must be provided: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> passport; family book showing both parents' names; identification document issued by the government; or document issued by a court that verifies the child's identity. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the child is an adopted child, certified copies of the adoption papers.	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the child is a step-child of the Australian parent: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> evidence that the child's parent is the former partner of the sponsoring step-parent; evidence of the child's parentage; evidence that the step-parent has parental responsibility in relation to the child. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the child is 18 years of age or over and is a full-time student, evidence of their enrolment and active participation in a post-secondary course of study. <p>Note: If there has been a gap of over 6 months in study between finishing the final year of secondary school and commencing further studies, please provide a statement explaining this time frame.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the child is 18 years of age or over and is claiming to have a disability, evidence from a qualified medical practitioner that the child has total or partial loss of bodily or mental functions and this stops them from working.	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the child is 18 years of age or over, evidence that they are financially dependent on their parent for their basic needs of food, shelter and clothing, and how long this support has been provided. Evidence may include bank statements, money transfers, rent receipts, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the child is under 18 years of age, evidence that the parent has the legal right to determine where the child shall live: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> either a completed form 1229 <i>Consent to grant an Australian visa to a child under the age of 18 years</i> OR a statutory declaration from any other person with a legal responsibility to the child (eg. a non-migrating parent) stating that they have no objection to the child's permanent migration; or a valid court order issued to the parent which permits them to permanently remove the child from the child's home country; or a valid Australian child order issued by the Family Court of Australia to the parent, and the grant of the visa would be consistent with that order. <p>Note: Form 1229 or the statutory declaration must be accompanied by a certified copy of the other parent/person's identification (eg. passport or driver's licence).</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the child's name has been changed, a certified copy of evidence of the name change.	<input type="checkbox"/>
If the child has served in the armed forces of any country, certified copies of military service records or discharge papers.	<input type="checkbox"/>

For **Orphan Relative** visa category, please provide the following documents (as appropriate)

<p>A certified copy of the child's birth registration showing both parents' names. If a birth certificate is not available, a certified copy of the identification pages (including the child's date of birth) of at least one of the following documents must be provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • passport; • family book showing both parents' names; • identification document issued by the government; or • document issued by a court that verifies the child's identity. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If the child's name has been changed, a certified copy of evidence of the name change.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Documents to show the child's relationship to the sponsor, eg. birth certificate or court order of the child's parents and birth certificate or court order of sponsor would indicate child's relationship to the sponsor.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If one or both parents are dead, a death certificate or other official documentation to verify this.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If one or both parents' whereabouts are unknown, evidence of how long they have been missing and what efforts have been made to contact or find them.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If one or both parents are permanently incapacitated, evidence showing why they are unable to care for the child. For example, if a parent has a physical or mental illness that stops them from being able to care for the child, provide a medical report to verify this.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Evidence that the sponsor has the legal right to determine where the child shall live:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • either a completed form 1229 <i>Consent to grant an Australian visa to a child under the age of 18 years</i> OR a statutory declaration from any other person with a legal responsibility to the child stating that they have no objection to the child's permanent migration; or • a valid court order issued to the sponsor which permits them to permanently remove the child from the child's home country; or • a valid Australian child order issued by the Family Court of Australia to the sponsor, and the grant of the visa would be consistent with that order. <p>Note: Form 1229 or the statutory declaration must be accompanied by a certified copy of the other parent/person's identification (eg. passport or driver's licence).</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Evidence that the sponsor can meet the child's reasonable needs (including adequate accommodation and financial assistance) until the child turns 18 years of age.</p> <p>Evidence may include tax assessment notices, employment payslips, employer statements confirming length of employment, bank statements, rental receipts, accountant statements if self-employed or self-funded, etc.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

For **Adoption** visa category, please provide the following documents (as appropriate)

<p>If the child has been allocated for adoption, a letter from the Australian state or territory central authority supporting the adoption. The letter should contain the adoption authority's contact details.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If the child has been adopted, certified copies of the adoption papers or adoption compliance certificate, including evidence that the authority in the child's home country permits the child to migrate to Australia.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If the child has been adopted by expatriate adoptive parents without the involvement of an Australian state or territory central authority, provide a written statement outlining the reasons for the adoptive parent's residence overseas.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

For **Australian state or territory welfare authority supported child**, please provide

<p>Letter of support from the state or territory welfare authority stating the child's need for permanent resident status.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Part K – Options for receiving written communications

- 49** Does this application relate to a state or territory sponsored adoption or an Australian state or territory supported child?

No

Yes ► **Go to Part L**

- 50** All written communications about this application should be sent to:
(Tick one box only)

The applicant ► All written communications will be sent to the applicant's address for communications provided in this form.

OR

Authorised recipient ► You should complete form 956A *Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient*

OR

Migration agent **OR** Your migration agent/exempt person should complete form 956 *Advice by a migration agent/exempt person of providing immigration assistance*

Exempt person

Note: If applying for an Adoption visa, where the child has been allocated for adoption by an Australian state or territory adoption authority, it is recommended that this adoption authority be authorised to receive all written communications about this application. There can only be one authorised recipient.

Part L – Authorised recipient details (for Adoption visa applicants only)

- 51** If applying for an **Adoption** visa, where the child has been allocated for adoption by an Australian state or territory central adoption authority, it is recommended that this adoption authority be authorised to receive all written communications about this application.

Note: There can only be one authorised recipient.

Provide details of the central adoption authority and the employee of that authority who is authorised on the applicant's behalf to receive all written communications about this application.

Name of central adoption authority

Name of contact at the central adoption authority

Postal address

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
Postcode

Email address

Telephone number

Country code Area code Number

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Note: If this application relates to an **Australian state or territory welfare authority supported child**, the welfare authority specified at Question 2 will be authorised to receive information about this application.

Part M – Payment details

52 IMPORTANT: You must refer to the Department's website at www.border.gov.au to complete this part of your application. The website shows reference tables with the Visa Application Charges applicable to each visa subclass.

Visa subclass you are applying for

▶▶ **Base Application Charge**

Write the amount shown on the reference table for your visa subclass \longrightarrow

AUD (1)

+

▶▶ **Non-internet Application Charge (if applicable)** \longrightarrow

AUD (2)

+

▶▶ **Additional Applicant Charge aged 18 years or over** at the time your application is lodged

Write the amount shown on the reference table for your visa subclass

Number of additional applicants aged **18 years or over**

AUD

X (multiplied by)

=

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AUD (3)

+

▶▶ **Additional Applicant Charge under 18 years of age** at the time your application is lodged

Write the amount shown on the reference table for your visa subclass

Number of additional applicants **under 18 years of age**

AUD

X (multiplied by)

=

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AUD (4)

+

▶▶ **Subsequent Temporary Application Charge (if applicable)**

Write the amount shown on the reference table for your visa subclass

Number of applicants

AUD

X (multiplied by)

=

\longrightarrow

AUD (5)

=

Total

▶▶ **Total (1) + (2) + (3) + (4) + (5)** \longrightarrow

AUD

You must pay the **total amount** or your visa application will not be valid.

Note: A second instalment of the Visa Application Charge must also be paid before we can grant some visas.

57 AUSTRALIAN VALUES STATEMENT

This statement must be signed by the main applicant and each person 18 years of age or over who is included in this application.

I confirm that I have read, or had explained to me, information provided by the Australian Government on Australian society and values.

I understand:

- Australian society values respect for the freedom and dignity of the individual, freedom of religion, commitment to the rule of law, Parliamentary democracy, equality of men and women and a spirit of egalitarianism that embraces mutual respect, tolerance, fair play and compassion for those in need and pursuit of the public good;
- Australian society values equality of opportunity for individuals, regardless of their race, religion or ethnic background;
- the English language, as the national language, is an important unifying element of Australian society.

I undertake to respect these values of Australian society during my stay in Australia and to obey the laws of Australia.

I understand that, if I should seek to become an Australian citizen:

- Australian citizenship is a shared identity, a common bond which unites all Australians while respecting their diversity;
- Australian citizenship involves reciprocal rights and responsibilities. The responsibilities of Australian citizenship include obeying Australian laws, including those relating to voting at elections and serving on a jury.

If I meet the legal qualifications for becoming an Australian citizen and my application is approved I understand that I would have to pledge my loyalty to Australia and its people.

Signature of main applicant



Day Month Year

Date

/ /

Signature



Name

Signature



Name

Signature



Name

Signature



Name

58 BIOMETRICS DECLARATION AND CONSENT

This declaration and consent must be signed by the main applicant and each accompanying person aged 16 years or over.

If I am requested or required to provide my fingerprints and facial image:

I consent to:

- the collection of my fingerprints and facial image; and
- if applicable, the collection of the fingerprints and facial image of each accompanying person under 16 years of age.

I declare that:

- I understand that my fingerprints and facial image and my biographical information (and those of each accompanying person under 16 years of age) held by the Department may be given to Australian law enforcement agencies to help identify me and each accompanying person, to help determine my eligibility and the eligibility of each accompanying person for grant of the visa applied for, and for law enforcement purposes.

I consent to:

- Australian law enforcement agencies disclosing my biometric, biographical and criminal record information (and that of each accompanying person under 16 years of age) to the Department for any of the purposes outlined above; and
- the Department using the information obtained for the purposes of the Migration Act 1958 or the Australian Citizenship Act 2007.

Signature of main applicant



(A parent, relative or guardian may sign if applicant is under 16 years of age.)

Day Month Year

Date

/ /

Signature



Name

Signature



Name

Signature



Name

Signature



Name

59 DECLARATION

WARNING: Giving false or misleading information or documents is a serious offence.

This declaration must be signed.

If the applicant is under 16 years of age, this declaration may be signed, on behalf of the child, by the child's parent, relative or guardian as appropriate.

I declare that:

- *the information I have supplied in this application is complete, correct and up-to-date in every detail.*
- *I understand that if this application is approved, any person not included in this application will not have automatic right of entry to Australia by way of this application.*
- *I will inform the Department of any changes to my personal circumstances (including change of address) while my application is being considered.*
- *I authorise the Australian Government to make any enquiries necessary to determine my eligibility for permanent stay in Australia, and to use any information supplied in this application for that purpose.*
- *I have read and understood the information supplied to me in this application.*
- *I have read the information contained in form 1442i Privacy notice.*
- *I understand the Department may collect, use and disclose my personal information (including biometric information and other sensitive information) as outlined in form 1442i Privacy notice.*
- *I understand that if any fraudulent documents or false or misleading information has been provided with this application, or if I fail to satisfy the Minister of my identity, my application may be refused and I, and any other member of my family unit, may become unable to be granted a visa for specified periods of time.*
- *if documents are found to be fraudulent or information to be incorrect after the grant of a visa, the visa may subsequently be cancelled.*

**Signature of
main applicant**



(A parent, relative or guardian may sign if applicant is under 16 years of age.)

	Day	Month	Year
Date	/	/	

We strongly advise that the applicant keep a copy of the application and all attachments for their records.