



## Working with Children Check

### Relevant Legislation

Children (Education and Care Services National Law Application) ACT 2010  
Education and Care Services National Regulation 2011: 168  
National Quality Standard for Early Childhood Education and Care: Element 4.1.1, 4.2.2, 7.1.2

### Aim / Rationale

The new Working with Children Check began on the 15 June 2013.

Under the new Working with Children Check early childhood education and care educators are responsible for applying for their own Working with Children Check.

In addition, the following people will also need a Working with Children Check:

- An approved provider or manager of an education and care service
- A certified supervisor of an education and care service.

Current volunteer and paid early childhood educators do not need to apply straight away because they will be phased in over the next five years, according to their industry sector.

Phase in date for approved providers, managers of education and care services, certified supervisors of education and care services and early education and child care educators is from 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2017.

New employees or workers, who are starting a new, paid job (or changing jobs) in child-related work after 15 June 2013 must apply for the Check before they start their new role.

For information, to obtain a Working With Children Check go to <http://www.newcheck.kids.nsw.gov.au/>

A Working with Children Check is valid for five years and during this time, cleared child-related workers are subject to ongoing monitoring. The Commission for Children and Young People will remind workers to renew their Check three months before it expires.

**Evaluation**

Supervision and access to water within the service is managed effectively by staff to ensure children remain safe and healthy.

**Procedures and Forms**

Staff Inductions

Staff Handbook

**Links to other Policies**

Staff Handbook

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