# APPLY FOR A BLUE CARD FOR YOUR PLACEMENT

To work or volunteer in regulated child-related employment or operate a regulated child-related business in Queensland, you may need a blue card or exemption card.

#### **Check your eligibility**

To help ensure the safety of children and young people in Queensland, the blue card system stops certain people from holding or applying for a blue card. Find out if you are eligible to hold a blue card.

### **Prove your identity**

You will need a <u>Customer Reference Number</u> (CRN) from the Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) before you apply for your blue or exemption card to prove your identity.

If you are unable to attend a Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) customer service centre, you can complete a <u>remote pack</u>. You can complete a remote pack if you live interstate, overseas, in a remote QLD area or if it is genuinely unreasonable or difficult for you to attend a TMR customer service centre.

## Apply for a blue card or exemption card

To apply for a blue or exemption card, follow these 3 steps.

- 1. Have your <u>CRN</u> nearby to reference.
- 2. <u>Register for an online account</u>. This is how we verify your identity and obtain the photo for your card.
- 3.Apply for your blue or exemption card using the <u>online applicant portal</u> or download the paper form.

## Submit a paper application

If you can't apply online, you can submit a <u>paper application</u>. If your application requires payment, you will need to pay via credit card or hold a <u>BPOINT receipt number</u>.

You <u>can submit your paper application</u> via this link. Processing and approval times may take longer for paper applications. Find more information on <u>processing times</u>. Most blue card applications with no criminal history or other concerning information <u>are processed within 28 business days</u> and will usually arrive by post 2 weeks after the application has been approved.





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#### **How-to videos**

You can access the videos below to help you with your application:

- •What you need to know before applying
- Registering for an online account
- Applying through the applicant portal

#### **Receiving your card**

If your application is approved, we will notify you via email or post. We will send your physical card to your postal address.

Once you receive confirmation, you can start or continue in child-related work straight away. You do not need to have your physical blue card or exemption card before you can start working or volunteering with children.

Your School will need to validate your blue card or exemption card at any time after you receive your Working with Children Check approval email in order to begin your placement.

Please leave enough time to apply for, receive and have your Blue Card validated before your placement.





