



Resource COM02 Working with Children Check Sample compliance questions

Below are some sample questions that an employer, volunteer organisation or **education provider** may be required to answer when the Working with Children (WWC) Screening Unit conducts a Compliance Check (formerly an audit). The sample questions are not intended to be exhaustive.

Tools to help **organisations** meet their WWC Check compliance requirements, including the Resource ORG 01: WWC Check, Compliance toolkit can be found on the WWC website.

- How does your organisation identify both existing and new employees, volunteers and students who engage in <u>child-related work</u>?
- 2. Do those employees, volunteers or students in child-related work have a <u>valid</u> WWC Card or have they applied for one? If not, what measures are being taken to rectify the situation and within what timeframe?
- 3. What processes are in place to confirm that employees, volunteers and students who engage in child-related work have a valid WWC Card or have applied for one?
- 4. What processes are in place to confirm that employees, volunteers and students who continue their child-related work <u>renew</u> their WWC Cards before they expire (can be renewed up to three months before they expire)?
- 5. What processes are in place to ensure those who do not have a valid WWC Card and have not applied for one, do not engage in child-related work?
- 6. Do your internal record-keeping processes identify the employees, volunteers and students who engage in child-related work and is the following recorded for these people?
 - a) Full names and dates of birth.
 - b) The WWC Card number and its date of expiry, or if the WWC Card has not been received, the application number and the date it was lodged.
 - c) Confirmation that the employee, volunteer or student has applied prior to engaging in child-related work.
 - d) That the validity of the WWC Card has been checked when a person who already holds a WWC Card takes up a position with your organisation (also recommended periodically during the life of the Card).

In addition

- e) confirmation that a person is not employed in child-related work if notice is received from the WWC Screening Unit that the person has <u>withdrawn their application</u> or has been issued with an **Interim Negative Notice** or **Negative Notice**.
- f) confirmation that those accessing child volunteer and parent volunteer exemptions are eligible to do so.
- 7. What documented strategies does your organisation have in place to monitor and report on compliance of the *Working with Children (Screening) Act 2004?*

Please note, additional or other relevant information may also be requested. For information regarding the powers of Authorised Officers refer to <u>Factsheet COM03: Compliance and enforcement</u>, <u>Entry warrants and powers</u>.

Definitions of **bold** terms can be found in the Working with Children Check glossary at www.workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au