

# Checklist for assessing parental linkage between a child and an Australian citizen or permanent resident

This checklist must be completed and submitted with the completed [Temporary Residents application form](#). This checklist supports the [Guidelines for assessing parental linkage between a child and an Australian citizen or permanent resident](#) issued by Department of Education International (DEi).

In this checklist, 'applicant' refers to the person who:

- completes the *Temporary Residents application form*; and
- is the parent or the person who exercises parental responsibility for the child; and
- is an Australian citizen or permanent resident

The applicant must complete this checklist by ticking the relevant boxes and providing the required documents as evidence to support the applicant's [Temporary Residents application form](#).

**An applicant must provide one of the following documents as evidence that the applicant is the mother or father of the child:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Where the person is the child's biological mother or father <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Child's birth certificate</li></ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Where the person adopted the child in Australia or New Zealand <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adoption order or record of adoption for the child</li></ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Where person adopted the child from a country which is party to the Hague Convention on Intercountry Adoption <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• An order or record granting the adoption, and</li><li>• An adoption compliance certificate that is in force for the adoption.</li></ul>

**Where an applicant is not the parent but is exercising parental responsibility for the child, the applicant must complete the EQI [statutory declaration](#) and must provide all the following details in the EQI [statutory declaration](#):**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. the person's relationship to the child</li><li>2. how the child came to be in the person's care</li><li>3. how long the person expects the child to be in their care</li><li>4. how long the child has been in the care of the non-biological parent</li></ol>
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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. the biological parents' situation (where they are and why they aren't looking after their child)</li> <li>6. parental duties that the person undertakes for the child (for example, housing, schooling, feeding, financial provision, medical decisions, day-to-day decision making)</li> <li>7. any benefits or other supports that the person receives to care for the child (for example, Centrelink payments)</li> <li>8. that the person understands their obligations as a parent to ensure that the child is enrolled at and attends school, pursuant to section 176 of the <a href="#">Education (General Provisions) Act 2006</a></li> <li>9. any other information that supports the person's exercise of parental responsibility for the child.</li> </ol>
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**Where there is a court order recognising that an applicant is exercising parental responsibility for the child the following evidence must be provided:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Court order issued by a federal or State court in Australia, stating that the person is exercising parental responsibility for the child.
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**An applicant must provide one of the following documents as evidence that the applicant is an Australian citizen or permanent resident:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Full birth certificate issued by an Australian Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages showing Australian citizenship
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Australian passport
<input type="checkbox"/>	Australian Citizenship certificate
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extract from the Register of Australian Births Abroad
<input type="checkbox"/>	Citizenship by Descent extract
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adoption in Accordance with the Hague Convention on Intercountry Adoption or bilateral agreement extract
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Australian permanent resident visa
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other evidence of Australian citizenship or permanent residence.

**If not previously provided as evidence the applicants and the child must each provide one of the following documents as evidence of their identity:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Australian drivers licence or Adult proof of age card or Passport (Australian citizen or permanent resident)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Copy of the mother or father's current Passport title page (translated into English by a certified translator)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Copy of the child's current Passport title page (translated into English by a certified translator)

**Additional evidence can be provided and may be requested by DEi to assist and support the assessment of your application.**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Evidence that the child has a valid application lodged for a permanent resident visa with the Department of Home Affairs
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><i>Where the applicant is in a de facto relationship with the child's biological parent</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>evidence that the child's application for a permanent residence visa with the Department of Home Affairs is under the family stream of the migration program</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><i>Where the applicant is in a de facto relationship with the child's biological parent</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>evidence to support a long term relationship with the biological parent</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><i>Where the applicant is married to the child's biological parent</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a copy of the marriage certificate.</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><i>Where the applicant exercises parental responsibility for the child.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>correspondence and/or cards from government agencies, such as Centrelink or Medicare</li> <li>any other supporting documents</li> </ul> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Please list here any additional supporting documents</p> </div>