**Attachment C3:**

**WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK REQUIREMENTS**

Working with Children Checks aim to create a child-safe environment and to protect children and young people involved in our sport from physical and sexual harm.

They assess the suitability of people to work with children and young people and can involve:

* criminal history checks
* signed declarations
* referee checks, and
* other relevant background checks to assess a person’s suitability to work with children and young people.

Working with Children Check requirements vary across Australia. [Fact Sheets](http://www.playbytherules.net.au/legal-stuff/child-protection/child-protection-laws-explained/screening) for each state and territory are available on the Play by the Rules website: [www.playbytherules.net](http://www.playbytherules.net).

Detailed information, including the forms required to complete a Working with Children Check, are available from the relevant agencies in each state and territory.

**Australian Capital Territory**

Contact the Office of Regulatory Services

Website: [www.ors.act.gov.au/community/working\_with\_vulnerable\_people](http://www.ors.act.gov.au/community/working_with_vulnerable_people)

Phone: 02 6207 3000

**New South Wales**

Contact the Commission for Children and Young People

Website: [www.kids.nsw.gov.au](http://www.kids.nsw.gov.au)

Phone: 02 9286 7276

**Northern Territory**

Contact the Northern Territory Screening Authority

Website: [www.workingwithchildren.nt.gov.au](http://www.workingwithchildren.nt.gov.au)

Phone: 1800 SAFE NT (1800 723 368)

**Queensland**

Contact the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian about the “Blue Card” system.

Website: [www.ccypcg.qld.gov.au](http://www.ccypcg.qld.gov.au)

Phone: 1800 113 611

**South Australia**

Contact the Department for Education and Child Development

Website: [www.families.sa.gov.au/childsafe](http://www.dcsi.sa.gov.au/pub/Default.aspx?tabid=281)

Phone: 08 84 636 468

Note: In South Australia, the requirement to conduct criminal history assessments for people working with children is being phased-in over three years. For recreation and sporting organisations, this requirement commenced on 1 January 2012 and will be completed by 31 December 2013.

**Victoria**

Contact the Department of Justice

Website: [www.justice.vic.gov.au/workingwithchildren](http://www.justice.vic.gov.au/workingwithchildren)

Phone: 1300 652 879

**Western Australia**

Contact the Department for Child Protection

Website: [www.checkwwc.wa.gov.au](http://www.checkwwc.wa.gov.au)

Phone: 1800 883 979

**Travelling to other states or territories**

It is important to remember that when travelling to other states or territories, representatives of sporting organisations must comply with the legislative requirements of that particular state or territory.