

Requirements for registration to work with vulnerable people when working in the Education and Care sector in Tasmania

Registration to Work with Vulnerable People – Tasmania

The Department of Justice (TAS), Consumer, Building and Occupational Services (CBOS) administers the Registration to Work with Vulnerable People process in Tasmania. For general information about registration, and to apply, please visit [Registration to work with vulnerable people \(cbos.tas.gov.au\)](https://cbos.tas.gov.au).

Who needs a Tasmanian WWVP Registration to work in Education and Care?

- All education and care staff must hold Tasmanian registration to work with vulnerable people.
- All education and care volunteers and students undertaking placements who are 18 years old or older must hold a valid Tasmanian WWVP registration.

Frequently asked questions:

Can you start work or a placement in education and care service after applying for a Tasmanian WWVP Registration but before holding an approved Tasmanian WWVP Registration?

No. A staff member, volunteer or student can't start work or a placement in an education and care service until they hold a Tasmanian WWVP registration. See regulation 344 of the [Education and Care Services National Regulations](#) for details.

Applying doesn't meet [Education and Care Services National Regulations](#) requirements that approved providers ensure each staff member, student or volunteer holds Tasmanian WWVP before they start work or a placement. See [Apply for registration to work with vulnerable people \(cbos.tas.gov.au\)](#) and [Application results \(cbos.tas.gov.au\)](#) for details of the application process and processing times.

CBOS advice says employee or volunteers can start when they have an application underway, but this contradicts the advice above. Can you please explain?

CBOS advice on [Employer obligations \(cbos.tas.gov.au\)](#) and [Registration holder obligations \(cbos.tas.gov.au\)](#) is that a person can start work once they have applied for WWVP registration if they meet certain obligations.

Education and care approved providers must also meet the requirements of regulation 344 which require them to ensure a staff member, volunteer or student holds registration before they start.

Can I start work in education and care or child care if I have a working with children check or working with vulnerable person registration from another jurisdiction?

No. Individuals who hold a working with children check or working with vulnerable people registration issued in another state or territory can't start work, volunteer, or start a student placement until they hold Tasmanian working with vulnerable people registration.

What does an approved provider need to do?

Approved providers must ensure that staff members, volunteers and students hold a WWVP Registration. See regulation 344 of the [Education and Care Services National Regulations](#) for details.

The Department of Justice updated [Employer obligations \(cbos.tas.gov.au\)](#) on 1 February 2021. Please check you are aware of and meeting your [Employer obligations \(cbos.tas.gov.au\)](#).