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Standard enrolment questions example for Release 8.1 for VET Providers

NCVER

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Introduction

The following enrolment form is an example. These questions are provided to assist with collecting student data in an AVETMISS-compliant format. The use of standard enrolment questions supports the capture of compatible and comparable data over time. We recommend that the sequence and wording of questions are maintained.

Data element names in italics below the questions link the standard enrolment question to the *AVETMISS VET Provider Collection specifications* and the *AVETMISS data element definitions*.

The Australian Government Department Australian Government Department of Employment and Workplace Relations' VET Data Policy Part B, Clause 7.2: states:

> Where personal information is collected from a student, RTOs must make students aware of the purposes for which their information may be collected, used or disclosed. RTOs must give the student a copy of the Privacy Notice at Schedule 1 of this Policy. This can be achieved by including the 'Privacy Notice' during the student's enrolment process.

The minimum mandatory content for inclusion in a Privacy Notice as at Schedule 1 of the VET Data Policy is provided below, and is to be used from 1 January 2021. This content is also available on the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations' website: - https://www.dewr.gov.au/.

Privacy Notice

Why we collect your personal information

As a registered training organisation (RTO), we collect your personal information so we can process and manage your enrolment in a vocational education and training (VET) course with us.

*[**Note to RTOs – delete before providing to students**: in accordance with APP 5.2(e), a collection notice should include the consequences for the individual if the personal information is not collected. If there are any consequences if an individual does not provide their personal information to you, you should explain these consequences here.]*

How we use your personal information

We use your personal information to enable us to deliver VET courses to you, and otherwise, as needed, to comply with our obligations as an RTO.

How we disclose your personal information

We may be required by law (under the *National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011* (Cth) (NVETR Act)) to disclose the personal information we collect about you to the National Centre for Vocational Education Research Ltd (NCVER). NCVER is the National VET Data Custodian responsible for collecting, managing, analysing and communicating research and statistics about the Australian VET sector.

*[**Note to RTOs – delete before providing to students**: if any disclosures of students' personal information to overseas recipients are likely, please include a statement notifying students of this likely disclosure and the countries in which such recipients are likely to be located (if it is practicable to specify those countries in the notice or to otherwise make the individual aware of them) in accordance with the requirements set out in APP 5.2(i) and (j).]*

How NCVER and other bodies handle your personal information

NCVER will collect, hold, use and disclose your personal information in accordance with the law, including the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (Privacy Act) and the NVETR Act and the *Student Identifiers Regulation 2014*. NCVER may use and disclose your personal information for purposes that include populating authenticated VET transcripts; administration of VET; facilitation of statistics and research relating to education, including surveys and data linkage; and understanding the VET market.

NCVER may disclose information to the Australian Government Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (DEWR), other relevant Commonwealth authorities, state and territory authorities (other than registered training organisations) that deal with matters relating to VET and VET regulators for the purposes for which the legislation above permits.

NCVER may also disclose personal information to persons engaged by NCVER to conduct research on NCVER's behalf. NCVER does not intend to disclose your personal information to any overseas recipients.

Data submitted through a VET data system may undergo validation and quality assurance checks, which involve checking the submitted data against data held in other information systems, for example, the Unique Student Identifier Registry or the Australian Business Register.

For more information about how the NCVER will handle your personal information please refer to the NCVER's Privacy Policy at www.ncver.edu.au/privacy.

DEWR is authorised by law, including the Privacy Act and the NVETR Act, to collect, use and disclose your personal information to fulfil its functions and activities, including:

- administration of VET, such as program administration, regulation, monitoring and evaluation
- facilitation of statistics and research relating to education, including surveys and data linkage
- understanding how the VET market operates, for policy, workforce planning and consumer information.

DEWR may be authorised by law to share 'public sector data' with third parties, including under the Data Availability and Transparency Act 2022 (Cth) (DAT Act). 'Public sector data' is defined in the DAT Act to mean "data lawfully collected, created or held by or on behalf of a Commonwealth body…" and therefore includes any data collected by the department as part of performing VET related functions.

For more information about how DEWR will handle your personal information, please refer to the DEWR VET Privacy Notice at https://www.dewr.gov.au/national-vet-data/vet-privacy-notice.

*[**Note to RTOs – delete before providing to students**: if the privacy notice on the Department's website cannot be accessed electronically by the student, you are required to provide them with a downloaded or hard copy of that notice.]*

*[**Note to RTOs – delete before providing to students**: if applicable to the student, insert details about how a state or territory authority may handle personal information and link to relevant privacy notice or policy.]*

Surveys

You may receive a student survey from a government department or an NCVER employee, agent, third-party contractor or another authorised agency. Please note you may opt out of the survey at the time of being contacted.

Contact information

At any time, you may contact [*insert RTO name*] to:

- request access to your personal information
- correct your personal information
- make a complaint about how your personal information has been handled
- ask a question about this Privacy Notice

[insert RTO contact details and link to RTO's privacy policy]

*[**RTOs please note**: This Privacy Notice is to be given to students in addition to your standard Privacy Notice that includes any requirements under your state or territory laws, etc.*

Personal details

1. Enter your full name *

Single name only ☐ (Tick this box if you have one name only that cannot be written in the following format. Write your single name in the 'Family name section).

Family name (surname)
First given name
Second given name (middle)

Name for encryption
Client first given name
Client family name

* Please write the name that you used when you applied for your Unique Student Identifier (USI), including any middle names. If you do not yet have a USI and want [name of RTO] to apply for a USI on your behalf, **you must write your name, including any middle**

names, exactly as written in the identity document you choose to use for this purpose. See section on the USI at the end of this form for a detailed explanation.

2. Enter your birth date

Day/month/year				

Date of birth

3. Gender (Tick ONE box only)

Male	☐
Female	☐
Other	☐

Gender

4. Enter your contact details

Home phone _____ Work phone_____

Mobile_____ Email address_____

Alternative email address (optional)_____

Telephone number [home]
Telephone number [work]
Telephone number [mobile]
Email address
Email address [alternative]

5. What is the address of your usual residence?

Please provide the physical address (street number and name **not** post office box) where you usually reside rather than any temporary address at which you reside for training, work or other purposes before returning to your home.

If you are from a rural area use the address from your state or territory's 'rural property addressing' or 'numbering' system as your residential street address.

Building/property name is the official place name or common usage name for an address site, including the name of a building, Aboriginal community, homestead, building complex, agricultural property, park or unbounded address site.

Building/property name
Flat/unit details
Street or lot number (e.g. 205 or Lot 118)
Street name
Suburb, locality or town
State/territory
Postcode

Address building/property name
Address flat/unit details
Address street number
Address street name
Address — suburb, locality or town
State identifier
Postcode

6. What is your postal address (if different from above)?

Building/property name
Flat/unit details
Street or lot number (e.g. 205 or Lot 118)
Street name
Postal delivery information (e.g. PO Box 254)
Suburb, locality or town
State/territory
Postcode

Address building/property name
Address flat/unit details
Address street number
Address street name
Address postal delivery box
Address – suburb, locality or town
State identifier
Postcode

Language and cultural diversity

7. In which country were you born?

Australia	☐ 1101
Other – please specify	

Country identifier

8. Do you speak a language other than English at home?

(If more than one language, indicate the one that is spoken most often)

No, English only	☐ 1201
Yes, other – please specify	

Language identifier

9. Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?

(For persons of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, mark both 'Yes' boxes)

No	☐ 4	
Yes, Aboriginal	☐ 1	3 (yes to both)
Yes, Torres Strait Islander	☐ 2	

Indigenous status identifier

Disability

10. Do you consider yourself to have a disability, impairment or long-term condition?

Yes	☐ Y	
No	☐ N	**No – Go to question 12**

Disability flag

11. If you indicated the presence of a disability, impairment or long-term condition, please select the area(s) in the following list:

(You may indicate more than one area) Please refer to the Disability supplement for an explanation of the following disabilities.

Hearing/deaf	☐ 11
Physical	☐ 12
Intellectual	☐ 13
Learning	☐ 14
Mental illness	☐ 15
Acquired brain impairment	☐ 16
Vision	☐ 17
Medical condition	☐ 18
Other	☐ 19

Disability type identifier

Schooling

12. What is your highest COMPLETED school level? (Tick ONE box only)

If you are currently enrolled in secondary education, the *Highest school level completed* refers to the highest school level you have actually completed and not the level you are currently undertaking. For example, if you are currently in Year 10 the *Highest school level completed* is Year 9.

Year 12 or equivalent	☐ 12	
Year 11 or equivalent	☐ 11	
Year 10 or equivalent	☐ 10	
Year 9 or equivalent	☐ 09	
Year 8 or below	☐ 08	
Never attended school	☐ 02	**Never completed any primary or secondary level education – go to question 14**

Highest school level completed identifier

13. Are you still enrolled in secondary or senior secondary education?

Yes	☐ Y
No	☐ N

At school flag

Previous qualifications achieved

14. Have you SUCCESSFULLY completed any of the qualifications listed in question 15?

Yes	☐ Y	
No	☐ N	**No – go to question 16**

Prior educational achievement flag

15. If YES, tick ANY applicable boxes.

Bachelor degree or higher degree	☐ 008
Advanced diploma or associate degree	☐ 410
Diploma (or associate diploma)	☐ 420
Certificate IV (or advanced certificate/technician)	☐ 511
Certificate III (or trade certificate)	☐ 514
Certificate II	☐ 521
Certificate I	☐ 524
Other education (including certificates or overseas qualifications not listed above)	☐ 990

Prior educational achievement identifier

Employment

16. Of the following categories, which BEST describes your current employment status?

(**Tick ONE box only**)

For casual, seasonal, contract and shift work, use the current number of hours worked per week to determine whether full time (35 hours or more per week) or part-time employed (less than 35 hours per week).

Full-time employee	☐ 01
Part-time employee	☐ 02
Self employed – not employing others	☐ 03
Self employed – employing others	☐ 04
Employed – unpaid worker in a family business	☐ 05
Unemployed – seeking full-time work	☐ 06
Unemployed – seeking part-time work	☐ 07
Not employed – not seeking employment	☐ 08

Labour force status identifier

Study reason

17. Of the following categories, select the one which BEST describes the main reason you are undertaking this course/traineeship/apprenticeship (Tick ONE box only)

To get a job	☐ 01
To develop my existing business	☐ 02
To start my own business	☐ 03
To try for a different career	☐ 04
To get a better job or promotion	☐ 05
It was a requirement of my job	☐ 06
I wanted extra skills for my job	☐ 07
To get into another course of study	☐ 08
For personal interest or self-development	☐ 12
To get skills for community/voluntary work	☐ 13
Other reasons	☐ 11

Study reason identifier

Unique Student Identifier (USI)

From 1 January 2015, we [insert RTO name] can be prevented from issuing you with a nationally recognised VET qualification or statement of attainment when you complete your course if you do not have a Unique Student Identifier (USI). In addition, we are required to include your USI in the data we submit to NCVER. If you have not yet obtained a USI you can apply for it directly at https://www.usi.gov.au/students/create-your-usi on computer or mobile device.

18. Enter your Unique Student Identifier (USI) (if you already have one)

You may already have a USI if you have done any nationally recognised training, which could include training at work, completing a first aid course or RSA (Responsible Service of Alcohol) course, getting a white card, or studying at a TAFE or training organisation. It is important that you try to find out whether you already have a USI before attempting to create a new one. You should not have more than one USI. To check if you already have a USI, use the 'Forgotten USI' link on the USI website at https://www.usi.gov.au/faqs/i-have-forgotten-my-usi/.

Unique Student Identifier (USI) ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

Unique student identifier

Advice to RTOs: if you want to apply for USIs on behalf of your students (clients), please use the questions in the following section. Alternatively, a copy of the ID document can be obtained instead of recording this information. You may remove the following section if you will not be applying for USIs for students.

Before creating a USI on behalf of a student, with their permission, use the 'Existing USI Search' tool to determine whether the student has an existing USI. For details, see the Existing USI Search/Locate USI information on the USI website at https://www.usi.gov.au/providers/find-student-usi.

Australian birth certificate: note that different details are required depending on the jurisdiction of issue. RTOs who wish to include the birth certificate option in their enrolment form should note the information items required set out at:
https://www.usi.gov.au/students/create-your-usi/verifying-your-identity#australian-birth-certificate
Alternatively, you may wish not to include 'birth certificate' in your form.

USI application through your RTO (if you do not already have one)

Application for Unique Student Identifier (USI)

If you would like us [insert RTO name] to apply for a USI on your behalf you must authorise us to do so and declare that you have read the privacy information at https://www.usi.gov.au/about-us/privacy. You must also provide some additional information as noted at the end of this form so that we can apply for a USI on your behalf.

I [NAME] .....authorise
[insert RTO name]..... to apply pursuant to
sub-section 9(2) of the Student Identifiers Act 2014, for a USI on my behalf.

☐ I have read and I consent to the collection, use and disclosure of my personal information (which may include sensitive information) pursuant to the information detailed at https://www.usi.gov.au/about-us/privacy.

Town/City of Birth _____
(*please write the name of the Australian or overseas town or city where you were born)*

We will also need to verify your identity to create your USI.

Please provide details for <u>one</u> of the forms of identity below (numbered 1 to 8).

Please ensure that the name written in 'Personal Details' section is exactly the same as written in the document you provide below.

1. Australian Driver's Licence

State: _____ Licence Number: _____ Card Number: _____

2. Medicare Card

Medicare card number_____
Individual reference number (next to your name on Medicare card): __
Card colour: (select which applies)
Green ☐ Expiry date _____/_____ (format MM/YYYY)
(month/year)

Yellow ☐ Blue ☐ Expiry date ___/_____/____ (format DD/MM/YYYY)
(day/month/year)

3. Australian Birth Certificate

State/Territory_____
Details vary according to State/Territory (see note above)

4. Australian Passport

Passport number_____

5. Non-Australian Passport (with Australian Visa)

Passport number _____

6. Immicard

Immicard Number _____

7. Citizenship Certificate

Stock number _____Acquisition date ____/_____/_____
day/month/year)

8. Certificate of Registration by Descent

Acquisition date _____/_____/_____
(day/month/year)

In accordance with section 11 of the *Student Identifiers Act 2014*, [insert RTO name] will securely destroy personal information which we collect from individuals solely for the purpose of applying for a USI on their behalf as soon as practicable after we have made the application or the information is no longer needed for that purpose.

Advice to RTOs: The *Student Identifiers Act 2014* (s.11) requires RTOs to destroy personal information collected from individuals **<u>solely</u>** for the purpose of applying for a USI on their behalf as soon as practicable after the application has been made or the information is no longer needed for that purpose. If you are required by or under a law to retain this information, then you may wish to include a statement on the form to explain that.

Under Standard 3.6 (d), you are required to ensure the security of the USI and all related documentation under your control, including information stored in your student management systems.

Disability supplement

Disability supplement

Introduction

The purpose of the Disability supplement is to provide additional information to assist with answering the disability question.

If you indicated the presence of a disability, impairment or long-term condition, please select the area(s) in the following list:

Disability in this context does not include short-term disabling health conditions such as a fractured leg, influenza, or corrected physical conditions such as impaired vision managed by wearing glasses or lenses.

'11 — Hearing/deaf'

Hearing impairment is used to refer to a person who has an acquired mild, moderate, severe or profound hearing loss after learning to speak, communicates orally and maximises residual hearing with the assistance of amplification. A person who is deaf has a severe or profound hearing loss from, at, or near birth and mainly relies upon vision to communicate, whether through lip reading, gestures, cued speech, finger spelling and/or sign language.

'12 — Physical'

A physical disability affects the mobility or dexterity of a person and may include a total or partial loss of a part of the body. A physical disability may have existed since birth or may be the result of an accident, illness, or injury suffered later in life; for example, amputation, arthritis, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, paraplegia, quadriplegia or post-polio syndrome.

'13 — Intellectual'

In general, the term 'intellectual disability' is used to refer to low general intellectual functioning and difficulties in adaptive behaviour, both of which conditions were manifested before the person reached the age of 18. It may result from infection before or after birth, trauma during birth, or illness.

'14 — Learning'

A general term that refers to a heterogeneous group of disorders manifested by significant difficulties in the acquisition and use of listening, speaking, reading, writing, reasoning, or mathematical abilities. These disorders are intrinsic to the individual, presumed to be due to central nervous system dysfunction, and may occur across the life span. Problems in self-regulatory behaviours, social perception, and social interaction may exist with learning disabilities but do not by themselves constitute a learning disability.

'15 — Mental illness'

Mental illness refers to a cluster of psychological and physiological symptoms that cause a person suffering or distress and which represent a departure from a person's usual pattern and level of functioning.

'16 — Acquired brain impairment'

Acquired brain impairment is injury to the brain that results in deterioration in cognitive, physical, emotional or independent functioning. Acquired brain impairment can occur as a result of trauma, hypoxia, infection, tumour, accidents, violence, substance abuse, degenerative neurological diseases or stroke. These impairments may be either temporary or permanent and cause partial or total disability or psychosocial maladjustment.

'17 — Vision'

This covers a partial loss of sight causing difficulties in seeing, up to and including blindness. This may be present from birth or acquired as a result of disease, illness or injury.

'18 — Medical condition'

Medical condition is a temporary or permanent condition that may be hereditary, genetically acquired or of unknown origin. The condition may not be obvious or readily identifiable, yet may be mildly or severely debilitating and result in fluctuating levels of wellness and sickness, and/or periods of hospitalisation; for example, HIV/AIDS, cancer, chronic fatigue syndrome, Crohn's disease, cystic fibrosis, asthma or diabetes.

19 — Other

A disability, impairment or long-term condition which is not suitably described by one or several disability types in combination. Autism spectrum disorders are reported under this category.