

Working with Children Check Exemption Guidance

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Not everyone who encounters vulnerable people, including children, as part of their work or volunteering activities needs to be registered. **The Working with Vulnerable People (WWVP) Act outlines the circumstances under which a person does not need to be registered.**

Volunteers are exempt if they:

- do not volunteer with vulnerable people for more than three days in any four-week period and seven days in any 12-month period (other than an overnight camp for children)
- are registered under a corresponding law in another state or territory and the activity is substantially similar to the regulated activity permitted by the corresponding law, as long as they do not volunteer with vulnerable people for more than 28 days in any 12-month period
- are a close relative of the vulnerable people they work or volunteer with
- are working or volunteering as a police officer, an Australian Federal Police appointee, a registered health professional or health practitioner, a lawyer, a staff member of an approved aged care provider, or a financial services licensee
- will only be providing information to, or receiving information from, the vulnerable person by telephone, or will only work with a record of the vulnerable person

An important note on when a person cannot rely on an exemption:

- A person issued with a Negative Notice cannot volunteer in a regulated activity

For more information on individuals requiring Working with Vulnerable People registration, visit the [ACT Government, Access Connect Working with Vulnerable People page here](#).