

Working with Children Check Exemption Guidance

WA

If a volunteer falls into one of the exempt categories, they will not be required to undergo a Working with Children Check (WWC Check). This will be the case even while performing 'child-related work' within one of the 18 categories of work that require a WWC Check.

Volunteers are exempt if they are:

- short-term non-resident visitors to WA (for a maximum of two weeks after arrival in WA in any year and for no more than a total of two weeks in any period of 12 months)
- parents volunteering where their child is also involved
- participating in one-off national events and tours (for a maximum non-cumulative period of 30 days in 12 months)
- police officers performing functions as a member of the WA Police Force

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

- Where a person has been convicted of a Class 1 or Class 2 offence or has a pending charge in respect of a Class 1 or Class 2 offence committed when an adult
- Where a person has been issued with an Interim Negative Notice, Negative Notice or if they have withdrawn their application for a WWC Check

For more information on individuals requiring a WWC Check, visit the [WA Government Working with Children check page here](#).