

The Application for Renewal of Approval – Form 3B (APA Renewal) is to be completed when an approved carer/s is renewing their carer approval for either foster or kinship care.

Approved foster and kinship carers are required to renew their approval 1 year from the date of their initial approval and every 3 years after that.

When renewing your foster or kinship carer approval you and any adult household members will be required to disclose and consent to the following:

- Personal history checks including:
  - o Criminal history
  - o Domestic and family violence
  - o Traffic history
  - Child protection history

As part of this renewal application process, you will also need to complete and submit the <u>Carer Health and Wellbeing</u> <u>Questionnaire</u> and ensure you have a current <u>Blue Card or Exemption card</u> from Blue Card Services.

At their discretion, a CSSC Manager may request either of the following:

- a referee check, to be completed by the assessor
- a medical check with your nominated General Practitioner or treating medical practitioner identified on the Carer Health and Wellbeing questionnaire.
- an applicant's employer about their employment history
- specialist medical reports or a health plan
- international child protection checks if an applicant or adult household member has lived overseas for more than 6 months

# Additional information and guidance for questions when completing this application.

Applicants are required to complete all questions in the form, where information is not applicable to you, or other people recorded in the application an entry of N/A is to be provided.

## APPLICANT INFORMATION:

## *Question 4 – Do you have a current blue card or exemption card?*

Blue card applications can be submitted through the <u>Blue Card online portal</u> or via <u>paper application</u>. Additional information is available at <u>Blue cards and exemption cards for foster and kinship carers – No Card No Start</u>

*Question 8 – Do you provide or intend to provide regulated childcare services from your home, such as home-based family day care or other home-based care service?* 

For the purpose of this application form a regulated care service is a service that involves the education of, or care for children in the home, such as Family Day care or a stand-alone care service. For more information on a regulated care service refer to the options below:

- Family day care service
- <u>Stand-alone care service</u>

# *Question 9 – Self disclosure by applicant/s*

When responding to the questions around personal history information you must provide **ALL** known personal history information including criminal history and traffic history. Criminal history checks include all charges and convictions (including '<u>spent convictions</u>').

For the question 'Have you ever been the aggrieved or respondent in a domestic violence and family violence matter in *Queensland, interstate or internationally?*' The 'aggrieved' is the **person who needs protection** from domestic violence; and the 'respondent' is the **person from whom the aggrieved seeks protection**.



Applicants should use the additional page provided at the end of the application to ensure all required information is provided for each question.

For applicants who have more than 2 Household Members, please provide information for these additional household members on the <u>Addendum for Additional Household Members – Form 3C</u>.

This form has the provision to be signed with a digital signature.

Any required information that is not provided in the application form may result in the delay of your application being progressed.



Α	APPLICATION for RENEWAL of APPROVAL (Applicant to complete)						
	Applicant 1				Applican	t 2	
1	PERSONAL INFORMATION			1	PERSONAL INFORMATION		
	Title				Title		
	Family name First name Middle name ( <i>if applicable</i> )				Family name		
					First name		
					Middle name (if applicable)		
	Other names known by				Other names known by		
	Date of birth				Date of birth		
2	Place of birth     2       Town/city		Place of birth Town/city				
					State		
	Country				Country		
3	Your contact details			3	Your contact details		
	Mobile				Mobile		
	Other ( <i>if applicable</i> ) Email address				Other (if applicable)		
					Email address		
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4	Blue Card number	Blue Card expiry date		4	Blue Card number	Blue Card expiry date	
	Exemption Card number	Exemption Card expiry date			Exemption Card number	Exemption Card expiry date	



	Applicant 1		Applicant 2
5	Australian residency status         If you are a temporary resident, you will be required to provide a copy of your visa when verifying your identification.         Permanent         Temporaryprovide visa expiry date below         Date of expiry	5	Australian residency status         If you are a temporary resident, you will be required to provide a copy of your visa when verifying your identification.         Permanent         Temporaryprovide visa expiry date below         Date of expiry
6	Current residential address		Current residential address
	State Postcode		State Postcode
	Current postal address ('as above' if same as residential information)		Current postal address ('as above' if same as residential information)
	State Postcode		State Postcode
7	Previous residential address         Provide details below of ALL past addresses, with a minimum stay of at least 6 months and the date range you resided at these locations (including overseas and interstate).         If there is insufficient space, please provide additional details on the pages provided at the end of this application.         Date range:	7	Previous residential address Provide details below of ALL past addresses, with a minimum stay of at least 6 months and the date range you resided at these locations (including overseas and interstate). If there is insufficient space, please provide additional details on the pages provided at the end of this application. Date range:
	State Postcode Date range:		State Postcode Date range:
	State Postcode		State Postcode



	Applicant 1		Applicant 2
8	Do you provide or intend to provide regulated childcare services from your home, such as home- based family day care or other home-based care service? ( <i>Refer to page 1</i> )	8	Do you provide or intend to provide regulated childcare services from your home, such as home- based family day care or other home-based care service? ( <i>Refer to page 1</i> )
	Yes No		Yes No
	If yes, provide details below:		If yes, provide details below:
	Family day care		Family day care
	Stand-alone care		Stand-alone care
	Number of children at residence:		Number of children as residence:
	Ages of children at residence:		Ages of children at residence:
9	SELF DISCLOSURE	9	SELF-DISCLOSURE
	The self-disclosure section must be completed in full, if you have no history, the 'No' box must be ticked. If 'Yes' is ticked, details must be provided		The self-disclosure section must be completed in full, if you have no history, the 'No' box must be ticked. If 'Yes' is ticked, details must be provided
a)	Since your last approval have you had any criminal charges, including charges laid against you awaiting determination in Queensland, interstate or internationally?		Since your last approval have you had any criminal charges, including charges laid against you awaiting determination in Queensland, interstate or internationally?
	Yes No		Yes No
	If yes, please provide details below:		If yes, please provide details below:
b)	Have you ever held a Queensland driver's license?	b)	Have you ever held a Queensland driver's license?
	Yes No (proceed to next question)		Yes No (proceed to next question)
	If yes, please provide your driver's license number		If yes, please provide your driver's license number
	License number or		License number or
	your license number is unknown		your license number is unknown
c)	Since your last approval have you had any traffic violations, including fines and/or charges laid against you awaiting determination in Queensland, interstate or internationally?		Since your last approval have you had any traffic violations, including fines and/or charges laid against you awaiting determination in Queensland, interstate or internationally?
	Yes No		Yes No
	If yes, please provide details below:		If yes, please provide details below:



	Applicant 1			Applicant 2
d)	Since your last approval have you been the aggrieved or respondent in a domestic violence and family violence matter in Queensland, interstate or internationally?	d)		Since your last approval have you been the aggrieved or respondent in a domestic violence and family violence matter in Queensland, interstate or internationally?
	Yes No			Yes No
	If yes, please provide details below:			If yes, please provide details below:
e)	Since your last approval are you aware of any criminal, domestic violence, or traffic history information including charges laid against a member of your household in Queensland, interstate or internationally?		e)	Since your last approval are you aware of any criminal, domestic violence, or traffic history information including charges laid against a member of your household in Queensland, interstate or internationally?
	Yes No			Yes No
	If yes, please provide details below:			If yes, please provide details below:

## **Disclosure statement and privacy notice**

The Department of Families, Seniors, Disability Services and Child Safety (Child Safety) is collecting the personal information on this form for the purpose of assessing your application to become a foster or kinship carer. This is authorised under the *Child Protection Act 1999* and the Child Protection Regulation 2023. Your personal information will be managed in accordance with the *Information Privacy Act 2009*.

Child Safety may disclose relevant personal information to the Queensland Police Service, Blue Card Services, Department of Transport and Main Roads, your nominated medical practitioner and Foster and Kinship care agencies. If you change to a different Foster and Kinship care agency, the current agency will transfer your personal information to the new agency.

In circumstances where an interstate or international child protection check is required, your personal information may be provided to the government agency responsible for child protection in other Australian States and Territories and to International Social Services Australia and the New Zealand Oranga Tamariki (Ministry of Children).

Under the *Childrens Court Rules 2016* and the *Director of Child Protection Litigation Act 2016*, Child Safety is required to provide relevant information to the Director of Child Protection Litigation (DCPL) in relation to child protection proceedings, and the DCPL has a duty to disclose documents relevant to the proceedings to each other party. Therefore, any information provided to Child Safety that may be relevant to current or future court proceedings may be provided to the parties, including the parent. This may include applications for future child protection orders for children already in your care as an approved foster or kinship carer, such as long-term Child Protection Orders.



#### **Consent requirements for applicants**

## Training

I understand that I may be required to complete training by Child Safety.

## Personal history checks

I consent to Child Safety, the relevant agencies identified in the privacy notice, and the government departments and agencies responsible for child protection in other Australian States and Territories, International Social Services Australia, and the New Zealand Oranga Tamariki (Ministry of Children) to:

- Undertake criminal history, child protection, carer history, domestic violence and traffic history checks and provide to the requesting officer any information, related to me.
- Undertake international criminal history and child protection checks and provide to the requesting officer any information, related to me if I have lived overseas.

I consent to information obtained in processing this application to become a carer being provided to any third party who is authorised to assess my application and/or provide ongoing support to me should this application be approved e.g., Foster and kinship care agency.

I understand that my personal information will be handled by the department in accordance with the *Information Privacy Act 2009* and relevant section of the *Child Protection Act 1999*.

## Applicant consent

I have read and understand the disclosure statement and privacy notice and provide consent in accordance with the consent requirements listed above. I confirm that the information in the application is correct, including that any additional adult household member consents are properly recorded in this application.

	Applicant 1		Applicant 2		
Name		Name			
Date		Date			
Signature		Signature			



## HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

The below section will need to be completed for all Household members.

## Who is considered a household member?

A household member includes adults and children who are residing in the home with the carer or may also be another adult who does not live with you but is a regular or frequent visitor to your home or property. This may include a new partner, as well as extended family members and others in your personal network who have regular and frequent contact with your household. Although they are not residents, the nature of their contact might present a risk of harm to the child in your care if they are not appropriately checked.

Child Safety needs to know who is living with you or regularly spending time in your home, as this person will likely have some contact with the child we have placed in your care. All approved foster and kinship carers are required to provide this information to Child Safety (Child Protection Act 1999, section 141G).

The decision about whether or not someone is a household member will be made by the Child Safety Service Centre Manager. They will take into account the nature and context of this person's contact with the child placed into your care.

Each household member must complete this section including the applicant's own children. The applicant's biological or stepchildren and any child who is in the long term or permanent guardianship of the applicant/s should be recorded as a household member.

## Question 21

Household members aged under 18 years are not subject to traffic or domestic violence checks. Child Protection checks will be undertaken to assist in the determination of suitability of the applicants.

All **adult** household members aged 18 years and over are required to give signed consent to the undertaking of personal history checks which include child protection, criminal, traffic, and domestic violence history.

Adult household members are required to hold a current blue card or exemption card prior to joining a carer household. The only exception to this rule is if the adult household member is part of a provisionally approved carer household.

Where an applicant is provisionally approved, adult household members will undergo criminal history checks conducted by Child Safety in addition to child protection history checks, domestic violence, and traffic history checks. Criminal history checks include all charges and convictions (including '<u>spent convictions</u>').

A parent of a child in care who is living in the same household as the child does not require a blue card.

Where an adult household member has lived in New Zealand or interstate for more than six months in the last five years, New Zealand and interstate criminal and child protection history checks will be conducted. All adult household members will be required to consent to have personal history checks completed and consent to the disclosure statement and privacy notice.

If you have more than 2 household members, please provide information for these additional household members on the Addendum for Additional Household Members – Form 3C.

Household member				Household member
10 Title			10 Title	
Family name			Family name	
First name			First name	
Middle name			Middle name	
Birth name			Birth name	
Other names kno	wn by		Other names k	nown by
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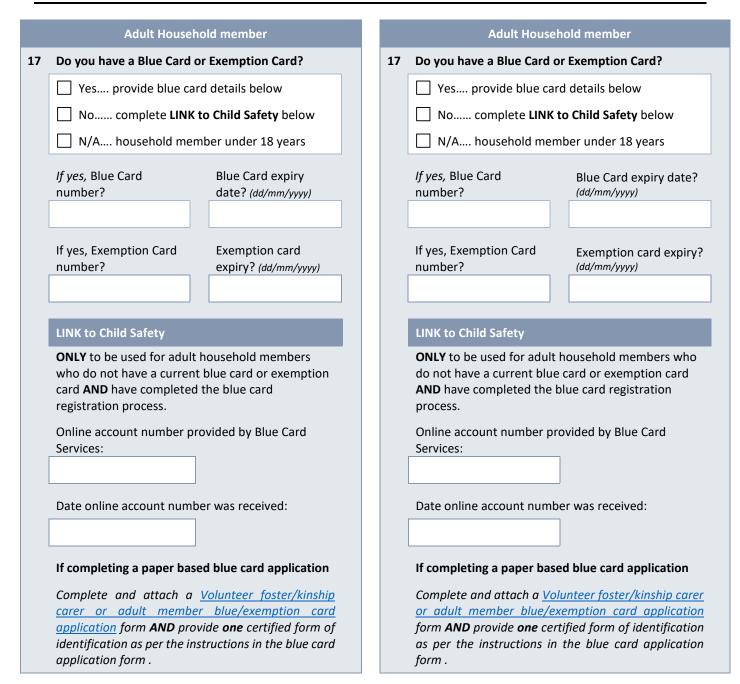


	Нс	ousehold member		H	lousehold member
11	Gender		11	Gender	
	Date of birth			Date of birth	
	Place of birth			Place of birth	
	State of birth			State of birth	
	Country of birth			Country of birth	
12	Contact details		12	Contact details	
	Mobile			Mobile	e
	Other (if applicable)			Other (if applicable	<i></i>
	Email address			Email address	
13	Current residenti	al address	13	Current resident	ial address
	State	Postcode		State	Postcode
14	Previous resident	tial address	14		
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	Dates			Dates	
	State	Postcode		State	Postcode



	Household member		Household member
	Dates		Dates
	State Postcode		State Postcode
	Dates		Dates
	State Postcode		State Postcode
15	<b>Relationship to Applicant/s</b> It is important that all the relevant relationships between applicant 1 and applicant 2 are listed in the appropriate boxes.		<b>Relationship to Applicant/s</b> It is important that all the relevant relationships between applicant 1 and applicant 2 are listed in the appropriate boxes.
	What is your relationship to Applicant 1?		What is your relationship to Applicant 1?
	What is your relationship to Applicant 2?		What is your relationship to Applicant 2?
16	Have you ever held a Queensland driver's license?	16	5 Have you ever held a Queensland driver's license?
	Yes No (proceed to next question)		Yes No (proceed to next question)
	If yes, please provide your driver's license number?		If yes, please provide your driver's license number?
	License number or		License number or
	your license number is unknown		your license number is unknown







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## Adult household member consents

#### Personal history checks

I consent to Child Safety, the relevant agencies identified in the privacy notice, and the government departments and agencies responsible for child protection in other Australian States and Territories, International Social Services Australia and the New Zealand Oranga Tamariki (Ministry of Children) to:

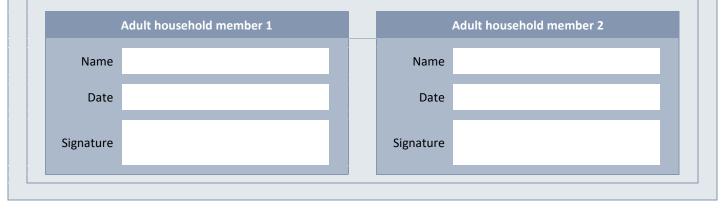
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  officer any information related to me if I have lived overseas.

I consent to information obtained in processing this application to be provided to any third party who is authorised to assess the application.

I understand that my personal information will be handled by the department in accordance with the *Information Privacy Act 1999* and relevant sections of the *Child Protection Act 1999*.

## Adult Household member consent

*I have read and understand the disclosure statement and privacy notice, consents and confirm that the information is correct. I consent to the personal history checks described above.* 





Additional information that could not be provided in the application above can be provided in the fields below.

- Please provide the question number that the information relates to in each of the fields below.
- Additional Household fields have also been provided below if required

Question number	
Question number	

Question number		
Question number		



# **CHILD SAFETY TO COMPLETE**

Child Safety staff member to complete and forward to Central Screening Unit

# Email: Csces\_csu\_process@communities.qld.gov.au

Application for Renewal of Approval	
Type of application (please tick one only) Kinship Carer (KC) Foster Carer (FC)	
Is the application properly made? Yes Date application properly made	
Suitability outcome to be sent to Region	
CSSC responsible for applicant's application	
Supporting Foster and Kinship Care agency (if relevant)	

Name of applicant 1

**Names of subject children** (for foster carer – specific child and kinship applications only)

Last name	Given names	Date of birth	Gender	ICMS Person ID

CSU OFFICE USE ONLY	
File reference	
Application number	
ICMS EOI / Application ID	