

# Definitions

## Combined Application - Blue Card

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### **Important notice**

If you are eligible to apply for a blue card (please see *disqualified person\** and *negative notice holder†* definitions), continue to complete this application. If you are not eligible, do not complete this form. Disqualified persons must complete an Eligibility Declaration and negative notice holders must complete the Application to Cancel a Negative Notice if two years have passed since the negative notice was issued.

**\*Disqualified person:** It is an offence for a disqualified person to make a blue card application. A disqualified person is someone who:

- has been **convicted‡** of a disqualifying offence, which includes having sex with a child (irrespective of the type of relationship e.g. teenage boyfriend/girlfriend, unlawful carnal knowledge), other child-related sex or pornography offences, murder and other serious sexual or violent offences against an adult or child (irrespective of the penalty and regardless of when and where it occurred); or
- is the subject of:
  - reporting obligations or an offender prohibition order under the *Child Protection (Offender Reporting and Offender Prohibition Order) Act 2004*; or
  - a disqualification order issued by a court prohibiting them from applying for or holding a blue card; or
  - a sexual offender order under the *Dangerous Prisoners (Sexual Offenders) Act 2003*; or
- is the respondent to an application for an offender prohibition order under the *Child Protection (Offender Reporting and Offender Prohibition Order) Act 2004*.

**‡Conviction/convicted** means a finding of guilt by a court, or the acceptance of a plea of guilty by a court, whether or not a conviction is recorded and regardless of when and where it occurred.

**§Non-conviction** charge means, whether a person was charged as an adult or a child, a charge: that has been withdrawn; that has been the subject of a nolle prosequi, a no true bill or a submission of no evidence to offer; that led to a conviction that was quashed on appeal; or upon which a person was acquitted or disposed of by a court otherwise than by way of conviction. A disqualified person can apply to be declared eligible to apply for a blue card in certain limited circumstances. Further information about disqualified persons is available from [www.qld.gov.au/bluecard](http://www.qld.gov.au/bluecard) or by contacting Blue Card Services on 07 3211 6999 or 1800 113 611.

### **†Negative notice**

It is an offence for a negative notice holder to make a blue card application. A negative notice holder is someone who:

- has been issued a negative notice after applying for a blue card; or
- was issued a negative notice after their blue card was cancelled due to a change in police or disciplinary information.

A negative notice holder can only apply to cancel a negative notice if two years have passed since the negative notice was issued, or in other limited circumstances. This can be done by completing the Application to Cancel a Negative Notice form. For more information about the blue card system and your obligations go to [www.qld.gov.au/bluecard](http://www.qld.gov.au/bluecard).