## Working with Vulnerable People Background Checking (Fees) Determination 2025

Disallowable Instrument DI2025-141

made under the

Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011, s 68 (Determination of fees)

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The Instrument determines fees payable under the *Working with Vulnerable People* (*Background Checking*) *Act 2011* (WWVP Act). The Instrument repeals the previous fees instrument (DI2024-133).

Fees are currently charged for applications for registration for the purposes of the WWVP Act for a person who will be in paid employment, for renewal of registrations and for the issuing of a duplicate registration card.

The Instrument indexes those fees in line with the forecast for the Wage Price Index (WPI) in the Federal Budget 2025-26 and a decision in the 2023-24 ACT Budget to augment WPI indexation by 0.35% for 2025-26. This has resulted in a total fee increase of 3.60%.

Fees for registrations and renewal for paid employment will be \$157.00 for 2025-26. The fee for workers engaged in NDIS regulated activities will also be \$157.00 for 2025-26. Fees charged for the issue of a duplicate card will be \$22.75.

The Instrument also introduces an \$11.00 fee for people applying for registration as volunteers for 2025-26. This is intended to cover external costs borne by the Territory for volunteer registrations and has been calibrated to create a small impact on volunteers.

The WWVP scheme continues to operate to reduce the risk of harm to vulnerable people in the Territory.