

Australian Capital Territory

# Working with Vulnerable People Background Checking (Fees) Determination 2026

Disallowable Instrument DI2026-85

made under the

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

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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The Instrument determines fees payable under the *Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011* (WWVP Act). The Instrument revokes the previous fees instrument *Working with Vulnerable People Background Checking (Fees) Determination 2025 (No 2)* (DI2025-213).

Fees are charged in respect of 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.

No fee is charged for the purposes of the WWVP Act for a person who volunteers their time for no payment.

Fees for registration and renewal will increase by 3.6 per cent in 2026-27, in line with the Budget forecast estimate for the Wage Price Index (WPI) for 2026-27 of 3.25 per cent and the decision in the 2023-24 Budget to index fees for regulatory services by an additional 0.35 percentage points above the usual indexation for the three-year period ending in 2026-27.

Fees for registration and renewal for paid employment will be indexed to \$163.00 for 2026-27, having been rounded to the nearest dollar. Fees charged for the issue of a duplicate card will be \$23.55, having been rounded to the nearest 5 cents.

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