

Privacy notice

The Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services (the Department) is collecting the personal information on this form for the purpose of an agreement between the department and a child's parent/guardian/s. The information is required by section 51ZF of the *Child Protection Act 1999* and the *Child Protection Regulation 2011*, section 2.

This Care Agreement is pursuant to the *Child Protection Act 1999*, section 51Z-51ZI.

The Care Agreement applies to a parent/guardian of a child who is not subject to:

- an assessment order granting custody to the chief executive, Child Safety or
- a child protection order granting custody or guardianship to anyone.

Agreement

The following is an agreement completed jointly by the child's parent/guardian/s and the Department.

I/We

Address

Telephone

agree that the Department arranges for the placement of the following child/ren under:

- an assessment care agreement or
- a child protection care agreement.

Child/ren's details

Name

Date of birth

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Male Female

Indigenous status

- Neither Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- Unknown
- Aboriginal
- Torres Strait Islander
- Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Placement start date

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Placement end date

 / /

Must not exceed 30 days

Name

Date of birth / / Male Female

Indigenous status Neither Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
 Unknown
 Aboriginal
 Torres Strait Islander
 Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Placement start date / / Placement end date / /

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Placement start date / / Placement end date / /

Must not exceed 30 days

If there are more than 3 children in the family, complete each additional child's details on the back of this sheet.

Conditions of agreement

Tick the type of care agreement applicable:

Assessment care agreement
The parent/guardian agrees to:

- have the above-named child/ren placed with an approved carer, Licensed Care Service or another entity by the department
- authorise the department and/or the carer to act in all day-to-day matters including urgent medical attention and
- have contact with the child/ren at such times and in such a manner as is mutually acceptable to themselves (as the parent/guardian), the carer/s and the department.

Child protection care agreement
The parent/guardian agrees to:

- have the above-named child/ren placed with an approved carer, Licensed Care Service or another entity by the department
- authorise the chief executive of the department to have custody of the child/ren for the duration of the agreement
- authorise the department and/or the carer to act in all day-to-day matters including medical examinations or treatments and
- have contact with the child/ren at such times and in such a manner as is mutually acceptable to themselves (as the parent/guardian), the carer/s and the department.

Note to parents: placements that last longer than 30 days may have implications for the provision of Family Tax Benefit by Centrelink to the parent/guardian (if received).

The Department agrees to:

- advise the parent/guardian of the name, address and phone number of the approved carer or Licensed Care Service or another entity
- act as considered appropriate and in the best interests of the child/ren in the event of any medical or other emergency arising, in which it is impossible or impracticable to communicate with the parent/guardian and
- contact the parent/guardian as soon as practical following the immediate response to the emergency.

This agreement will cease when:

- the placement has reached the agreed end date and/or
- the protective needs of the child/ren have been resolved (without a court order) and/or
- the protective needs of the child/ren are resolved (with a court order) and/or
- the parent/guardian or the department gives 2 days notice to terminate the care agreement.

The parent/guardian retains guardianship for the child/ren and must be given an opportunity to be involved in significant decisions about the child/ren's care.

List the types of decisions relating to the child/ren that the parent/guardian is to be consulted.

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The Department may take further action under the *Child Protection Act 1999* if the child is placed at immediate risk due to the parent/guardian/s failing to comply with the agreed conditions or ending the agreement without providing 2 days notice.

Contact arrangements

Type (eg, face-to-face, telephone)

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When

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Where

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With whom

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Sibling contact (where siblings do not remain placed together)

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Transport arrangements

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Non-resident parent

If the child/ren are subject to an order made by the Family Court, provide details below.

Is the non-resident parent aware of the placement? Yes No

Name of non-resident parent

Address

Telephone

Contact arrangements with non-resident parent

Signatures

Parent/guardian signature/s

Date

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Child Safety Officer (CSO) signature

Date

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Form is to be signed by parent/guardian and CSO.

All parties (and carer/s) are to receive a copy of this agreement.

The Child's Information Form must be attached to this form.

Where the carer/s details are not known at the time the parent/guardian/s sign the agreement, the following section MUST be completed once the placement details are confirmed, and a copy MUST then be provided to the parent/guardian/s and carer/s.

Carers details

Name of carer/s

Address of carer/s

Telephone

Name of carer/s

Address of carer/s

Telephone

