# DHS History Assessment Application Procedure



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#### Introduction:

TTSA requires those 'working with children' (eg accredited coaches / accredited officials / junior team managers to undertake a Department of Human Services, DHS History Assessment Application. Additionally, effective 1/7/2019 under new legislation, Club Committee members need to have a DHS clearance (because they manage volunteers working with children). Legislation also requires coaches over 14 years old (previously 18 yrs old) to have a DHS clearance.

TTSA has a DHS portal which allows TTSA to commence and process applications on behalf of table tennis applicants.

Previous DCSI history assessment clearance outcomes were valid for 3 years. Any new approved DHS assessments allocated after 1/7/2019 will be valid for 5 years. DHS history assessments for persons undertaking a 'volunteer role' is free of any cost. [Note – there has been a change in SA Govt Department names...DCSI > DHS]

### **Outline of Process:**

To commence an application, TTSA require 3 key pieces of information from the applicant. These being;

- Applicants full name
- Applicants Date of Birth
- Applicants contact email address
- 1. With this initial information, the TTSA Requesting Officer will access the TTSA DHS portal and initiate a new application. This will have the effect of launching an DHS email to the applicant to register with DHS and complete an online application,
- 2. The second stage of the application process is for the applicant to provide a 100 point proof of identification (refer options 'a' and 'b' detailed further in this document),
- 3. The TTSA Requesting Officer will receive emails from DHS advising the history assessment has commenced, and another when the process is completed with the outcome.
- 4. The applicant will receive an email advising of the outcome. This email should be retained and be always available to be produced to verify a DHS clearance of 'not prohibited' has been obtained in respect to working with children.
- 5. TTSA will maintain a database of those persons who have been assessed.
- 6. TTSA will endeavour to remind persons when another assessment needs to be undertaken.

## **Proof of Identification Verification Options:**

There are 2 prime ways applicants can satisfy the 100 point proof of identify process. Determine which option is most convenient to you;

- a. Where the TTSA Requesting Officer also acts as the Verifying Officer, applicants can provide the Verifying Officer documents for visual inspection which satisfy the 100 point criteria. These documents and the value of these document are listed as 'Attachment A'. In this situation, the whole process is managed online.
  - Important In this situation, when completing the online form, the applicant needs to choose 'organisation verification' and tick the box acknowledging the Returning Officer and Verifying Officer are the same person.
- b. Where the Verifying Officer is someone else other than the Requesting Officer, the applicant can choose 'print verification' and have the 100 point proof of identity visually inspected by another 'approved' person.
  - If this option is preferred, the applicant needs to complete then print the application and take it to an approved Verifying Officer (refer Attachment B) to complete. The applicant then needs to post the application to DCSI. Note there is no requirement to append copies of the proof of identification.

## Persons Under 14 In A Volunteer Role – No DHS Assessment Required:

Legislation provides that no DHS history assessment is required for persons under 14 fulfilling activities in a volunteer role.

# **TTSA's Requesting Officer:**

Applicants seeking to commence and lodge a DHS History Assessment are advised to contact TTSA's DHS Requesting Officer Maurice Quinn providing 3 pieces of information (full name, date of birth and email address). Said information to be sent to <a href="mailto:mquinn@tabletennissa.org.au">mquinn@tabletennissa.org.au</a>

For further information or clarification of any aspect of this procedure, contact Maurice on 0411 042 320

Alternatively reference the DCSI website at <a href="www.screening.sa.gov.au">www.screening.sa.gov.au</a>

Maurice Quinn
1 July 2019

#### **100 Point Identification Check**

You must provide proof of your identity before your application can be processed. You must show a verifying officer original identity documents that add up to at least 100 points. Note: a proof of name change certificate does not count towards the points total. You MUST use **ONE Category A** document or **ONE Category B** document (which contains a photograph). Aboriginal applicants from remote communities or recent migrants

to Australia or applicants under 18 may use identity documents detailed on the previous page.

Category	Type of Document	Value	Points
Category A	☐ Birth Certificate (COMPLETE – NOT EXTRACT)		
70 points	Certificate of Australian Citizenship		
Only one document from this category will be accepted.	Australian Passport (CURRENT OR EXPIRED WITHIN THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS, BUT NOT CANCELLED)	70	
	Foreign Passport (CURRENT OR EXPIRED WITHIN THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS, BUT NOT CANCELLED)		
	Other international document of identity having same characteristics as a passport e.g. diplomatic/refugee document (with identifying photograph or signature)		
Category B Document	Australian Motor Vehicle Driver's Licence / Learner's Permit		
Your initial Category B document is worth 40 points.	Public Employee Photo ID Card (GOVERNMENT ISSUED)		
Subsequent documents are worth 25 points.	Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) Card		
	Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card OR Health Care Card (ONE ONLY)	40	
	Current Student Photo ID Card (university / high school / TAFE)	or	
	Reference from a Medical Practitioner (must have known the applicant for a period of at least 12 months)	25	
	Working with Children Card OR Teachers Registration Card (ONE ONLY)		
	Aviation Security OR Maritime Security Identification Card (ONE ONLY)		

Category	Type of Document	Value	Points
Category C Documents 25 points	Extract of a Birth Certificate		
	Proof of Age Card (GOVERNMENT ISSUED)		
If you wish to use more than one Category C document, they must be from different organisations.	Medicare Card OR Private Health Card (ONE ONLY)		
	☐ Seniors Card		
	Assessment Notice from the Australian Taxation Office		
	Superannuation Statement		
	Electoral roll registration notice		
	Professional Accreditation OR Trade Association Card		
	Foreign / International Driver's Licence		
	Council rates notice		
	Property Insurance Confirmation		
	Property Lease / Rental Agreement	25	
	Motor Vehicle Registration OR Insurance Certificate (ONE ONLY)		
	1 <sup>st</sup> Utility bill (ELECTRICITY / GAS / TELEPHONE /WATER)		
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Utility bill (ELECTRICITY / GAS / TELEPHONE /WATER)		
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Utility bill (ELECTRICITY / GAS / TELEPHONE /WATER)		
	1 <sup>st</sup> Bank / financial institution statement or passbook		
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bank / financial institution statement or passbook		
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Bank / financial institution statement or passbook		
	1st Credit card / Debit card		
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Credit card / Debit card		
	☐ 3 <sup>rd</sup> Credit card / Debit card		
Must equal or be more than 100 Points		TOTAL	
DO NOT attach copies of these documents to the application form.			

EMPLOYMENT SCREENING - APPLICANT IDENTITY - PERMITTED VERIFIERS				
(SCREENING UNIT, DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITIES AND SOCIAL INCLUSION, SA GOVERNMENT)				
Public Officials	Commissioner for Oaths (or Affidavits or Declarations)			
	Justice of the Peace / Notary Public			
	Ombudsman / Public Advocate			
Parliamentarians and Councillors	Elected Member — Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia or State Parliament or Territory Legislature			
	Mayor / Deputy Mayor / Councillor in a local government authority			
On the second	Justice / Judge / Magistrate / Master — any Australian court of law			
Courts and Law Enforcement	Registrar / Clerk / Sheriff / Bailiff — any Australian court of law			
	Lawyer (however described) of any Australian jurisdiction			
	Police officer (federal or state or territory police force)			
	Permanent employee of any department or authority of the federal government, state government, or local municipality			
Government Officials	Principal of or Student Counsellor in a school			
	School Teacher or University Lecturer (only if employed full-time)			
	Commissioned Officer (only if current) — Australian Defence Force			
	In relation to an Applicant from an Aboriginal community in an isolated or remote location, an individual is a <i>Community Leader</i> if he or she:			
	Is a recognised Elder (by others in the community)			
	<ul> <li>Serves as Chairman, Secretary, or CEO of an incorporated indigenous land council / community council / housing association</li> </ul>			
Community Leaders	Is Coordinator of Aboriginal community development employment			
	<ul> <li>Manages or works as the treating health professional in an Aboriginal medical service relevant to the Applicant</li> </ul>			
	Is the Principal of or a Counsellor in a school in the community			
	Minister of Religion			
	<ul> <li>Has worked for at least five years at Centrelink, or as an agent of Centrelink, or as other government employee.</li> </ul>			
	In relation to any Applicant, this can also be a person who performs the function of:			
	<ul> <li>A religious leader registered to officiate at marriage ceremonies as a Marriage Celebrant</li> </ul>			
	Person currently registered or licensed to practise as:			
Medical and Allied	Medical Practitioner / Dentist / Veterinary Surgeon			
Health Professionals	Nurse / Psychologist			
	Physiotherapist / Chiropractor			
	Optometrist / Pharmacist			
Non-Government Organisations	The responsible manager within the requesting organisation who is a senior person with responsibility for the applicant.			
	Tax Agent / Patent Attorney / Accountant (certified or chartered)			
Other Occupations	Member of the Institution of Engineers / Mining and Metallurgy Institute			