



Government of **Western Australia**
 Department of **Mines and Petroleum**
 Resources Safety

Application for mutual recognition of Australian occupations

Introduction

The *Mutual Recognition (WA) Act 2001* adopts the *Mutual Recognition Act 1992* (Cth) ("the MRA").

Principal purpose

One of the principal purposes of the MRA is to provide the means for promoting the freedom of movement of persons in registered occupations between Australian States.

Note: In this information sheet, "States" includes the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory.

Equivalent occupations

The Act enables a person who is registered in connection with an occupation in a State ("the first state") to carry on an equivalent occupation in another State ("the second state"), subject to specified requirements.

General information

A written notice is required for mutual recognition of a registration from another State.

The notice must:

- state that the person is registered for the occupation in the first State and specify that State; and
- state the occupation for which registration is sought and that it is being sought in accordance with the mutual recognition principles; and
- specify all the States in which the person has substantive registration for equivalent occupations; and
- state that the person is not the subject of disciplinary proceedings in any State (including any preliminary investigations or action that might lead to disciplinary proceedings) in relation to those occupations; and

- state that the person's registration in any State is not cancelled or currently suspended as a result of disciplinary action; and
- state that the person is not otherwise personally prohibited from carrying on any such occupation in any State, and is not subject to any special conditions in carrying on that occupation, as a result of criminal, civil or disciplinary proceedings in any State; and
- specify any special conditions to which the person is subject in carrying on any such occupation in any State; and
- give consent to the making of inquiries of, and the exchange of information with, the authorities of any State regarding the person's activities in the relevant occupation or occupations or otherwise regarding matters relevant to the notice.

All of the requirements of the notice are outlined in the application form.

The notice must be accompanied by a document that is either the original copy or a copy of the instrument evidencing the person's existing registration (or, if there is no such instrument, by sufficient information to identify the person and the person's registration).

The person must certify in the notice that the accompanying document is the original or a complete accurate copy of the original instrument evidencing the person's existing registration.

The statements and other information in the notice must be verified by statutory declaration.

Fees

The costs of issuing certificates and licences under the MRA are similar to those for issuing a certificate or licence in Western Australia, and hence the fees are the same. Refer to schedule of fees and charges available from Resources Safety at www.dmp.wa.gov.au/ResourcesSafety.

Applications

The completed application form, together with copies of the relevant registration documents and the relevant fee payable to the Department of Mines and Petroleum, is to be mailed to:

Resources Safety
Department of Mines and Petroleum
Mineral House
100 Plain Street
East Perth WA 6004

or handed in person at:

Resources Safety
1 Adelaide Terrace
East Perth WA 6004

Application forms must be signed by the applicant and witnessed by an authorised witness for statutory declarations listed in the *Oaths, Affidavits and Statutory Declarations Act 2005*.

For information on who can witness statutory declarations refer to the Department of the Attorney General's website at www.courts.dotag.wa.gov.au/w/witnessing_documents.aspx.

Applicants seeking registration for any of the following equivalent WA occupations must also include one colour passport photograph (taken within the last six months) and endorsed on the reverse with applicant's full name, signature and date of birth. The photograph is to be sealed in an envelope or small plastic pocket so as to avoid loss or damage.

- Shotfiring licence
- Explosives driver licence
- Dangerous goods driver licence
- Pyrotechnics (special use) licence
- Fireworks operator licence

Other information

For any enquiries, please contact Client Services at Resources Safety as follows:

- Telephone : 08 9358 8001
- Facsimile : 08 9358 8000
- Email : rsdcustomerservices@dmp.wa.gov.au



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I hereby apply for registration in Western Australia in accordance with the mutual recognition principle of the Mutual Recognition Act 1992 (Cth), adopted by the Mutual Recognition (Western Australia) Act 2001, as a holder of a statutory licence or certificate as specified below:

(please tick ONE of the following boxes appropriate to the registration sought. A separate application form is required for each occupation)

- Certificate of competency (in mining industry)
- Shotfiring Explosives driver Dangerous goods driver Pyrotechnics (special use)
- Fireworks operator

I am registered for the occupation of in (the first state).

Personal details

Surname Given names

Date of birth / /

Residential Address

State Postcode

Phone Work A/H

Mobile Email

Required documentation

- Evidence of current registration document(s). (That is, a document that is either the original or a copy of the instrument evidencing the person's existing registration, or if there is no such instrument, by sufficient information to identify the person or the person's registration.)
- If applicable, one colour passport photograph (taken within the last 6 months) and endorsed on the reverse with the applicant's full name, signature and date of birth. The photograph is to be sealed in an envelope or small plastic pocket so as to avoid loss or damage.
- Fee applicable to the licence or certificate being sought (refer to Schedule of Fees and Charges available from Resources Safety at www.dmp.wa.gov.au)

Current registration status in other Australian States*

Please specify all the States and Territories in which you currently hold registration for this occupation. Registration includes certificates, licences and approvals.

Australian States	Occupational registration, certificate or licence	Date of issue

* States is defined to include the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory in the MRA.

I further declare that:

- 1. I am not the subject of disciplinary proceedings in any participating jurisdiction (including any preliminary investigation(s) or action(s) that might lead to disciplinary proceedings) in relation to the occupation or those occupations.
- 2. My registration in any participating jurisdiction is not cancelled or currently suspended as a result of a disciplinary action.
- 3. I am not otherwise personally prohibited from carrying on any such occupation in any participating jurisdiction, and I am not subject to any special conditions in carrying on that occupation, as a result of criminal, civil or disciplinary proceedings in any participating jurisdiction.
- 4. Any special conditions to which I am subject in carrying on any such occupation in any participating jurisdiction are:

- 5. I consent to the Department of Mines and Petroleum making inquiries of, and exchanging information with, the authorities of any State regarding my activities in the relevant occupation or occupations or otherwise regarding matters relevant to this notice.
- 6. As regards the instrument evidencing my existing registration, I certify that the accompanying document is (specify):
 - the original
 - a complete and accurate copy of the original.

Applicant's signature

Date / /

Statutory declaration

I (name in full)

of (residential address)

occupation

do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

- 1. the statements and information in this form are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief; and
- 2. I make this solemn declaration under the *Oaths, Affidavits and Statutory Declarations Act 2005* and subject to the penalties provided by that Act for the making of false statements in a statutory declaration, conscientiously believing the statements contained in this declaration to be true in every particular. (For information on who can witness statutory declarations, refer to the Department of the Attorney General's website at www.courts.dotag.wa.gov.au/w/witnessing_documents.aspx)

Applicant's signature

Authorised witness for statutory declaration (printed name and title of person before whom this declaration is made)

DECLARED before me at on

Signature

Payment details

Application fee enclosed.

Payment by credit card or cheque. Cheques must be drawn on a bank in Australia and be made payable to the Department of Mines and Petroleum. **Please DO NOT SEND CASH.**

Complete this section if paying by credit card

Card number

Expiry date /

Card type (please tick) Mastercard Visa

Cardholder's name (please print)

Amount

Signature

Office use only

Mutual recognition confirmation

Date / /

Signature of issuing officer