Disability Worker Screening and Blue Card - Renewals

This fact sheet explains how to renew your NDIS Worker Screening clearance or Queensland Disability Worker Screening clearance and blue card.

Q: I'm working with children with disability. Can I renew my clearance and blue card together?

Yes. You can renew both your NDIS Worker Screening clearance or Queensland Disability Worker Screening clearance and blue card or exemption with Disability Worker Screening. This is called a 'combined application'. You <u>cannot</u> apply for both through Blue Card Services.

For more details about how to renew, see our Renewal information for clearance holders fact sheet.

Q: Can I keep working while my combined renewal application is being processed?

Yes, but there are conditions:

- <u>For disability work</u>: Your clearance application must be successfully submitted (Stage 4) before your clearance expires (application submitted, fee paid and verified by your employer/organisation).
- <u>For child related work</u>: Blue Card Services must receive your complete renewal application before your current blue card expires.

Q: What happens after I submit my combined renewal application?

Once your employer/organisation for disability work has verified your application, we will process the Disability Worker Screening part of your application and advise you of the outcome.

Blue Card Services will then process the blue card part of your application. If approved, your blue card or exemption card will be issued with the same expiry date as your clearance.

Q: How much does a combined renewal application cost?

The cost is the same as an initial combined application. This is because the application requires a thorough review of assessable information and your clearance will be valid for a further five years (NDIS Worker Screening clearance) or three years (Queensland Disability Worker Screening clearance). You can find a full list of fees on the *Fees and payment options* fact sheet.



Q: I'm renewing my clearance but need a blue card for the first time. Can I make a combined application?

Yes. You can apply to renew your clearance and get a new blue card at the same time through Disability Worker Screening by selecting this option within the application.

Q: My clearance is due for renewal, but my blue card isn't. Can I still apply for both?

If your blue card is not due for renewal (i.e. it has more than 16 weeks before it expires) you can only apply to renew your clearance through Disability Worker Screening. When your blue card is closer to expiry, you can renew it separately through Blue Card Services.

See the Blue Card Services <u>website</u> for more information about renewing your blue card when you already have a clearance.

Need help?

The easiest and quickest way to get help is by reading through our detailed fact sheets and user guides or accessing the Disability Worker Screening <u>website</u>.

You can change your details by logging on to the <u>Disability Worker Screening portal</u>.

Contact Disability Worker Screening on 1800 183 690.

Contact us for help.

