



Visa Application Charge Exemptions

Update for Charitable Organisations under the new 408 Temporary Activity Visa

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Dear Member

As previously advised, registered charities are exempt from the Visa Application Charge (VAC) when completing their online 408 visa application.

For immigration purposes, **a registered charity is one that is registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission.**

Unlike "government funded organisations", registered charities are not required to apply to the DIBP to be considered for VAC exemption. However, they must provide evidence of their charitable status with each application.

For LPA's previous advice regarding the new VAC exemption criteria, [please click this link](#).

COMPLETING AN ONLINE APPLICATION

Registered Charities are required to submit evidence of their charitable status with each online application (as below):

Visa application charge concession

Is the applicant eligible for a Visa Application Charge (VAC) concession?
 Yes No

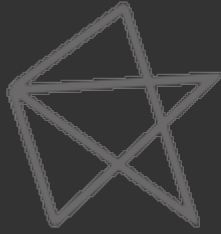
Give details

Select the eligible VAC:
 Reduced VAC
 Nil VAC

In addition, at the 'provide evidence' page at the end of the online application, evidence of the organisation's ACNC registration needs to be attached to support a nil VAC claim.

Alternatively, members can provide LPA with the above information to lodge on their behalf.

If you have any queries regarding the above, **please contact René Spoor, Workplace Relations Advisor on (03) 8614 2000** or rspoor@liveperformance.com.au



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