

Commonwealth and State Legislation Relevant to Vocational Education and Training and TAFE

All links updated

Both public and private providers of Vocational Education and Training (VET) are subject to a range of Commonwealth and State-based legislation depending on the nature of their establishment and the application of the particular legislation.

Online repositories

The Australasian Legal Information Institute provides access to both Australian Commonwealth and State legislation at <http://www.austlii.edu.au/>

Commonwealth Acts and Regulations are also available from the Federal Register of Legislation at <http://www.legislation.gov.au/>

The Victorian Legislation and Parliamentary Documents repository contains searchable libraries for all consolidated Principal Victorian Acts and Statutory Rules as in force, at a given point in time and by year. Go to: <http://www.legislation.vic.gov.au/>

Key Commonwealth Acts

- [The Fair Work Act 2009](#)
- [Competition and Consumer Act 2010](#)
- [Privacy Act 1988](#)
- [Age Discrimination Act 2004](#)
- [Disability Discrimination Act 1992](#)
- [Racial Discrimination Act 1975](#)
- [Sex Discrimination Act 1984](#)
- [Copyright Act 1968](#)
- [Higher Education Support Act 2003](#)
- [Human Rights Commission Act 1986](#)
- [Spam Act 2003](#)
- [Ombudsman's Act 1976](#)

Key Victorian Acts relevant to VET and to TAFE Institutes are as follows:

- [Equal Opportunity Act 2010](#)
- [Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006 \(Vic\)](#)
- [Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004](#)
- [Financial Management Act 1994](#)
- [Audit Act 1994](#)
- [Public Administration Act 2004](#)
- [Freedom of information Act 1982](#)
- [Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014](#)

- [Protected Disclosure Act 2012](#)
- [Equal Opportunity Act 2010](#)
- [Public Records Act 1973](#)
- [Working With Children Act 2005](#)
- [Workplace Injury and Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2013](#)

Vocational Education and Training Specific Acts

Key legislation underpinning VET and Higher Education training arrangements and regulation is as follows:

- [Education and Training Reform Act 2006 \(Vic\)](#)
- [Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000 \(Clth\)](#)
- [Skilling Australia's Workforce Act 2005 \(Clth\)](#)
- [National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011 \(Clth\)](#)
- [Standards for NVR Registered Training Organisations 2012 \(Clth\)](#)
- [Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Act 2011 \(Clth\)](#)
- [Higher Education Standards Framework \(Threshold Standards\) 2015 \(Clth\)](#)

Other useful websites:

[Commissioner for Privacy and Data Protection](#)

[FOI Victoria](#)

[Worksafe Victoria](#)

[Victorian Public Sector Commission](#)

[Victorian Human Rights Commission](#)

[Victorian Department of Treasury and Finance](#)