Residential address check

For the enrolment of students in Victorian government schools

When seeking to enrol your child in a Victorian government school, you may be requested to provide supporting documentation. This documentation will assist schools in verifying your permanent residence.

Key enrolment information

Your child is guaranteed a place at their designated neighbourhood school. You can find your designated neighbourhood school and school zone at Findmyschool.vic.gov.au

You can apply for a place at a school that is not your designated neighbourhood school and should be enrolled if the school has enough space.

Establishing a child's permanent residence

Your child's permanent residence is the address at which they permanently reside at the time of enrolment. If your child resides at multiple addresses, their permanent residence is the address at which they spend the majority of their weekdays.

Documents provided as per the 100-point residential address table should match the details recorded on the school enrolment application, including parent's/carer's name and address.

Why does the school need to verify my address for enrolment?

Some schools in Victoria are facing enrolment pressure. To ensure every child can attend their local school, schools may request proof of address to verify that you live within their school zone.

This helps to keep our education system fair and equitable and ensures that children who live within the school zone are being prioritised for enrolment.

100-point residential address check

You may be asked to provide documents to verify your child's permanent residence. Any combination of the following documents is acceptable, as long as they add up to at least 100 points.

Document showing the full name of the child's parent/carer and address	Points
1. One of the following 1.1 Council rates notice **OR** 1.2 Lease agreement through a registered real estate agent or rental board bond receipt **OR** 1.3 Exchanged contract of sale	40
2. Any of the following 2.1 Centrelink payment statement showing home address 2.2 Electoral roll statement	20
2. Any of the following documents 3.1. Electricity or gas bill showing the service address* 3.2. Water bill showing the service address* 3.3. Telephone or internet bill showing the service address* 3.4. Driver's licence or government issued ID showing current home address 3.5. Home building or home contents insurance showing the service address 3.6. Motor vehicle registration or compulsory third-party insurance policy showing home address	15

**up to three months old*

Verification of permanent residence

When assessing your child's enrolment application, schools may make some enquiries to confirm the information provided is correct.

This can include:

- Checking the electoral roll at an Australian Electoral Commission office or the Victorian Electoral Commission head office
- Contacting your real estate agent to confirm lease or contract of sale
- Checking whether there are any regulations/codes limiting the occupancy of rented studio apartments or one-bedroom units.

Your enrolment application may be unsuccessful if the school is not able to verify your address using the documentation provided.

Inability to provide evidence of permanent residence

If you are unable to provide proof of permanent address because of your individual circumstances, you are encouraged to seek advice from your local school or a Community Liaison Officer in the Regional office.

More information

For more information, contact your local school or visit Starting school.

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