



Working or Volunteering with Children

Race days can be a great day out for the whole family to enjoy and with race clubs now catering more for families, it's the perfect way to introduce the younger generation to racing. But it is also important that children are safe and are in a safe environment.

Importantly, there are laws in place in Queensland to ensure the safety of children and race clubs should be aware of their obligations in this regard.

Your club could consider establishing its own Working with Children Policy with your Committee deciding that all hired children's entertainers must hold a Blue Card.

Blue Card

There are many different scenarios in which a race club may offer children's activities and the club may need the operators of those activities to hold a Blue Card. For example if you have hired paid entertainers to run games and activities with children such as a jumping castle or pony rides.

The Queensland Government's [Blue Card Services](#) is able to discuss your club's individual circumstances to determine if people operating your children's activities require a Blue Card.

The blue card system is changing on 31 August 2020. To understand how these changes may impact on your club the [government summary of these changes](#) is the best place to start.

Contact the Queensland Government's Blue Card Services on 1800 113 611 (free call) or 07 3211 6999 or visit www.qld.gov.au/bluecard to find out more.