

**ANNEX B TO  
VCDF DIRECTIVE 03/14  
DATED MAY 14**

## **DEFENCE PURPLE CARD**

1. The Defence Purple Card is a Defence-wide working with children clearance that must (subject to certain exemptions where the contact is minimal and supervised: see paragraph 25 of this Policy) be held by all Defence personnel, Officers of Cadets and Instructors of Cadets who have direct contact with cadets. It is a mandatory ADF Cadets and Defence proficiency that covers the child protection requirements of the various States and Territories, and Defence child protection awareness training.
2. The Defence Purple Card is a virtual card.
3. The eligibility requirements to qualify for a Defence Purple Card are:
  - a. a Working with Children Clearance from the relevant jurisdiction; or
  - b. a Working with Child Declaration; and
  - c. completion of the Safeguarding Children Awareness Package; and
  - d. a signed statement by the person that he/she has read the Defence Child Protection Code of Conduct and undertakes to comply with it.

### **Recording Defence Purple Card on personnel records**

4. **Defence personnel.** The Defence Purple Card is to be verified by ADFC Unit Commanding Officers and recorded in the cadet unit's records.
5. **OOB and IOC.** The Defence Purple Card is to be recorded on the member's personnel record in CadetNet as an achievement.

### **Duration and currency**

6. A Defence Purple Card is current for the duration of the relevant Working with Children Clearance period within the relevant State or Territory jurisdiction. To maintain currency of a Defence Purple Card where a Working with Children Clearance is due to expire, the Working with Children Clearance must be renewed and the expiry date of the Working with Children Clearance thereafter amended to reflect the renewed clearance.