

Australian Capital Territory

# ACT Teacher Quality Institute (Fees) Determination 2024 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2024–77

made under the

ACT Teacher Quality Institute Act 2010, s 95 (Determination of fees)

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Section 95 of the *ACT Teacher Quality Institute Act 2010* permits the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of this Act.

The *ACT Teacher Quality Institute Act 2010* came into effect on 1 January 2011. The ACT Teacher Quality Institute is responsible for:

- professional registration of teachers
- accrediting education courses for pre-service teachers and teachers
- certifying teachers against national professional standards
- developing and applying a code of professional practice for teachers
- working closely with employers to promote continuous professional learning by teachers.

This determination replaces the *ACT Teacher Quality Institute (Fees) Determination 2017 (No 1)* (DI2017–292) which determined application fees for teacher registration and permit to teach applications, including annual renewal.

A tax deductible application fee is payable:

- at the time of initial application. Once registration or a permit to teach has been granted to an applicant it is valid for the remainder of the registration year
- at the time of application for renewal of teacher registration or a permit to teach. Once registration or a permit to teach has been granted to an applicant it is valid for the duration of the registration year.

This determination outlines the fee for registration or permit to teach, including renewal of registration or permit to teach at \$115 and includes the new category of early childhood teacher registration.

### Previous Fees Determined

An increase in the annual teacher registration or permit to teach application fee was agreed as part of the 2015-16 budget - the fee rises \$5 per year for three years.

- The first increase took effect on 1 January 2017 with the fee rising from \$100 to \$105.
- The second increase took effect on 1 January 2018 with the fee rising from \$105 to \$110
- Third increase is outlined within this Determination with the fee rising from \$110 to \$115.

The amount of the fee increase for teacher registration, early childhood teacher (ECT) registration and permit to teach, and renewal of teacher registration, early childhood teacher registration and permit to teach, is set at a level to keep registration, permit to teach and renewal fees in line with fees charged by other teacher regulatory authorities in Australia.

### Fees Determined in this Instrument

The application fee for teacher registration, early childhood teacher registration or permit to teach is worked out commensurate to the period of time left from the time of initial application to the end of the registration year.

	Application made	Fee payable
Full year	In the first 3 months of the registration year	\$115
Part year	In the 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> or 6 <sup>th</sup> months of the registration year	\$115 – 25% = \$90
Part year	After the 6 <sup>th</sup> month of the registration year	\$115 – 45% = \$65*

\*Amount has been rounded for ease and efficiency of processing.

### Waiver of Fee

Early childhood teacher registration is a new registration category, commencing on 1 April 2024, under the *Teacher Quality Institute Act 2010*. The two year waiver of the early childhood teacher registration fee is to encourage early childhood teachers to take up registration before it is mandatory, and to thus realise its benefits to them and to the profession as a whole.

This instrument notes that the fee is exempt from GST.

This Determination commences on the day after its notification day.