Information for Applicants

## About us

The Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (CITS) is a diverse agency that supports all Western Australians by giving them opportunities to reach their potential and live their very best lives. Staff in our department work across the portfolios of creative industries; sport and recreation; tourism and multicultural interests. We’re also responsible for supporting major events and infrastructure projects throughout WA.

* We support a sustainable arts and cultural sector that facilitates social and economic wellbeing by building capacity of the sector, the provision of funding and grants, progressing infrastructure projects, providing research, policy, information and support.
* We help maintain a strong and diverse sport and recreation sector by removing barriers to participation, providing funding and support for the sector through grants, infrastructure and major capital projects.
* We promote and support multiculturalism, through the Office of Multicultural Interests, which strengthens communities to ensure WA is a vibrant and effective multicultural society.
* We champion WA’s tourism industry and promote Western Australia as an incredible destination.
* We support the people of WA, including First Nations peoples, to connect to their culture and history through Aboriginal History Western Australia, and the State Records Office.

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## Eligibility

The department requires employees to meet and maintain their eligibility to work with us.

A current (within 6 months) National Police Clearance Certificate will be required prior to commencement of employment.

Eligibility requirements may also include working rights and Working with Children Checks for child related work and/or qualifications.

To be eligible for appointment, applicants must be an Australian citizen, have permanent resident status in Australia or have a visa that allows you to live and work in Australia for the period of your employment contract.

The job advertisement outlines the eligibility requirements of each vacancy.

## Preparing your application

The written application is the first step to demonstrating your suitability for the role. When preparing your application, please follow the instructions in the job advert as different roles will have different application requirements. Further guidance on the common application requirements is provided below.

### Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Your CV should be current and outline your work experience relevant to the advertised position. Include work history, duties and responsibilities, education and training, and key achievements.

### Referees

Your application must include contact information for two professional referees. At least one of your referees should be a current or recent line manager. Referees must be able to comment on your work experience and abilities. We recommend you check with your referee/s before nominating them.

As part of the selection process, we may request permission to contact your current employer. Please notify us if you have concerns about this.

### Statement addressing the criteria

Your written statement should detail how your own skills and experience meet the criteria for the advertised position, as described in the Job Description Form (JDF).

Be clear and concise, outline your role in the examples used, and the outcomes achieved.

### Qualifications

Certain positions require the occupant to possess a specific or relevant qualification/s. If specified in the JDF, you will need to provide proof of any essential qualifications before an appointment is made.

## Lodging your application

Applications should be submitted online through the [Jobs WA](https://search.jobs.wa.gov.au/page.php?pageID=215) Government jobs board.
If you experience technical problems with Jobs WA, email the RAMS Helpdesk at ramshelpdesk@bigredsky.com.

Applications must be received by the closing date and time specified in the advertisement. The department is not able to accept late applications.

It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure their application has been received on time and lodged correctly with all attachments.

To withdraw your application, please contact the nominated officer in the job advertisement and formally withdraw online through Jobs WA.

## The selection process

A selection panel will be formed to assess each applicant’s suitability for the advertised job.

The key steps in the recruitment process are:

* the selection panel assesses all written applications and shortlists those who are most competitive for further assessment
* shortlisted applicants may be assessed further through other methods. In most cases this will be a formal structured interview. Other methods that may be used include:
	+ examples of your work
	+ a presentation
	+ task based assessment
	+ feedback from your referees
* a selection report detailing the process and the recommended applicant/s is prepared and recommendation endorsed
* all applicants will be notified of the outcome via email and are encouraged to seek feedback on their application
* a breach claim period of four (4) business days commences, during which time applicants can lodge a formal claim against the process in accordance with the *Public Sector Management (Breaches of Public Sector Standards) Regulations 2005* and [*Commissioner’s Instruction - Employment Standard*](https://www.wa.gov.au/government/publications/commissioners-instruction-no-1-employment-standard). It is important to note that the regulations do not provide for a review of the process to be undertaken because you consider that you were more competitive than the selected applicant(s).

## Thank you for your interest in coming to work with us at CITS and good luck with your application!