

# Factsheet CAT18

## Categories of child-related work

### 18: A children's entertainment or party service



A children's entertainment or party service includes a broad range of situations, however specific exemptions also apply to this category.

### Roles considered to be in child-related work

Some examples of roles considered to be in [child-related work](#) are listed below. Please note that in all cases, for a role to be considered to be in child-related work, the **usual duties** of that role must involve, or be likely to involve, **contact** with a **child**. Roles include:

- staff at an indoor play centre who have contact with children as part of their usual duties
- people providing public entertainment services specifically for children, such as magicians, clowns, or interactive children's characters, if they have contact with children
- people that provide interactive, educative entertainment specifically for children, including school groups, at places of educational interest such as Scitech, museums and national parks
- animal farm staff that attend events specifically for children, such as playgroups and children's birthday parties, and have contact with the children as part of their usual duties
- Father Christmas, other festive entertainers (i.e. elves) and photography staff working as part of a 'Santa's village' who have contact with children as part of their usual duties
- people facilitating children's play programs and holiday activity programs
- people delivering story telling programs for children, such as 'rhyme time'.

### Exemptions

The following [exemptions](#) apply to this category:

- child **volunteers** – work carried out by volunteers under 18 years of age
- unpaid **students** on placement under 18 years of age
- **short-term visitors** to Western Australia (WA)
- a parent volunteering in the same activity in which their child participates, or ordinarily participates, refer to [Factsheet CRW03 – Exemptions, The parent volunteer exemption](#)
- one-off national events or national tours, refer to [Factsheet CRW02 – Exemptions, One-off national events and national tours](#)

- police officers performing functions as a member of the WA Police
- performances open to the general public, which do not involve physical contact with children, e.g. people who perform in stage shows at community events or at commercial venues such as Disney on Ice
- services that only provide equipment, food, or a venue, e.g. people at community or children's events who operate the rides or serve food to children.

Definitions of **bold** terms can be found in the Working with Children Check glossary at [www.workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au](http://www.workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au)