

MAINTAINING STUDENT CONTACT AND NEXT OF KIN DETAILS POLICY

POLICY NUMBER: NC23-PP016

RESPONSIBILITY: Head of Administration

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Note: The Team Leader - Admissions is responsible for ensuring any additional information required by the Regulations is updated on the requests sent to students and within this policy and procedure. WAIFS' Team Leader – Admissions should check the regulatory requirements and make all appropriate amendments before emails are sent to all current students in January and July of each calendar year.

1. Policy Scope

This policy applies to all past (within the last two years), current and future students of WAIFS. In accordance with the requirements of the ESOS Act 2000 (as amended from time to time) and the RTO standards, WAIFS must keep records of each accepted student who is enrolled with the provider or who has paid any tuition fees for a course provided by the provider.

The records must consist of the following details for each accepted student:

- The student's current residential address;
- The student's mobile phone number (if any);
- The student's email address (if any);
- Any other details prescribed by the regulations.

WAIFS must ensure that, at least every 6 months, while the student remains an accepted student of the provider:

- WAIFS confirms, in writing, the details referred to in subsection (2) with the student; and
- The records are updated accordingly.

2. Procedure

2.1 At enrolment

At enrolment, a student provides their address (both overseas and in Australia, if applicable), email address, phone number, next of kin contact details.

2.2 When enrolled into a first course with WAIFS:

These details are to be entered in full into the student management system in the student's individual record no later than the student's first day of class. WAIFS requests these details at orientation and all students should be given a form to write these details at orientation.

WAIFS' reception staff then update any changes on the manually completed forms from orientation into the student management system.

Note: Attendance at orientation is compulsory and students will not be issued with a student ID card until they have attended orientation.

The Team Leader - Admissions is to ensure this is done by the appropriate WAIFS' admin staff member they nominate. In their absence, the *Team Leader - Admissions* is to ensure this is undertaken by an alternative, appropriate admin staff member.

2.3 Student details checking when timetable issued:

Pre-course commencement, WAIFS emails a timetable notification to all students.

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This timetable notification also states the following:

For international students only:

WAIFS reminds you that it is a requirement of your student visa that you provide WAIFS with up-to-date contact details within 7 days of any change.

For both international and domestic students:

If any of the following have changed:

- The address you live at;
- Your mobile phone number in Australia;
- The email address you currently use and check regularly;
- WAIFS recommends that you check your emails regularly for the whole duration of your study at WAIFS. Email will be the main contact method WAIFS uses to get in touch with you about anything to do with your studies.
- Next of kin name and contact details (address, email, phone number)

Then you must provide your updated details to WAIFS in one of the following ways:

- (i) By downloading the "Change of Student Details" form and emailing it to admissions@waifs.wa.edu.au (the form is available here: www.waifs.wa.edu.au/forms/)
- (ii) By completing a "Change of Student Details" Form at WAIFS reception.

2.4 Monthly Reports and Omissions Completion

WAIFS' Head of Administration will ensure:

- A report is generated from the student management database (currently Axcelerate) monthly which details all omissions in the information fields noted above for all current students of WAIFS;
- All missing information is updated this may require students to be contacted for up-to-date information by email and/or SMS. Again, WAIFS' *Team Leader Admissions* will ensure this is completed.

Note: It is the preference of WAIFS' management team that the running of the reports and updating of the information is undertaken by an evening or weekend admin staff member and that the satisfactory completion of these tasks is reviewed by the Team Leader - Admissions each month.

2.5 In January and July of each calendar year:

In January and July of each year, **ALL current students** of WAIFS are emailed the following text (as stated on page 3), through the student management system:

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Student Number: Dear First Name, Last Name

Thank you for studying at WAIFS!

WAIFS is emailing to ask you to check if the details we hold for you in our student management system are correct. If you are an international student your details must be correct and you must inform WAIFS of any changes.

For all our students, it is important we know how to get in touch with you if we need to.

Please take the time now to check the information below and update it with us if you need to.

The information we have about you is as follows:

Personal Details

First name: Middle name: Last Name: Date of Birth:

Contact Details

Email address: Mobile Number:

Address in Australia Details

Original Address overseas (student visa holders only)

Next of Kin Contact Details

Name:

Phone Number:

Email address:

Please review the information above and **if anything is NOT correct**, then please immediately provide your updated details to WAIFS in one of the following ways:

- 1 By downloading the "Change of Student Details" form and emailing it to reception@waifs.wa.edu.au . The form is available here: http://waifs.wa.edu.au/forms/
- 2 By completing a "Change of Student Details" Form at WAIFS reception.

NOTE:

If you have requested release from your studies at WAIFS, you MUST still provide details of any changes to the information above to WAIFS.

- This is up until WAIFS confirms that your release has been approved and your release has been recorded in PRISMS.
 - Up until this date, you remain a current student of WAIFS and MUST provide up to date details to WAIFS.
- This includes if you are looking to move or have moved interstate. You MUST still provide your current contact and Next of Kin details to WAIFS if the move takes place/will take place before your release request is approved.

Thank you for your support in this matter

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