Requirements of home schooling registration

How you can demonstrate you are meeting the requirements

The VRQA conducts home schooling reviews to ensure that the registration requirements are being met. The table below summarises the registration requirements that will be assessed as part of the review. This document should be read in conjunction with the [VRQA Home Schooling Assessment Framework and Review Process](https://www2.vrqa.vic.gov.au/home-schooling-policies-and-framework).

Full elaboration of each requirement can be found in Part 6 Division 2 of the [Education and Training Reform Regulations 2017](https://www.legislation.vic.gov.au/in-force/statutory-rules/education-and-training-reform-regulations-2017/009).

These Regulations are made under sections 5.10.1 and 5.10.2 and Schedule 5 to the *Education and Training Reform Act 2006* (the Act).

| Regulation 76  Requirements of instruction in home schooling | Possible review inclusions |
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| (1) It is a requirement of registration of a student for home schooling that the student must receive regular and efficient instruction that – | |
| * 1. Taken as a whole, substantially addresses the learning areas set out in Schedule 1 to the Act, unless the Authority grants an exemption under subregulation (3)   **Learning areas in Schedule 1 to the Act: English, Mathematics, Humanities and social sciences (including history, geography, economics, business, civics and citizenship), Sciences (including physics, chemistry and biology), Health and Physical Education, the arts, Languages, and Information and communication technology and design and technology.** | Parents can demonstrate regular and efficient instruction by providing discussion of learning (verbal or written), extracts from calendar/journal/diary or any other evidence.  Parents can demonstrate how their child has received instruction that substantially addresses the learning areas by providing information about learning (verbal or written), examples of learning, photographs/videos/sound recordings of learning activities, records of your child’s learning outcomes or any other evidence.  Parents are not required to provide evidence of all methods listed above. However, a combination of evidence may be required to demonstrate that this requirement of registration have been met. |
| * 1. Is consistent with the principles underlying the Act, being the principles and practice of Australian **democracy,** including the principles under section 1.2.1(a) of the Act | Parents can demonstrate that they have met this requirement by demonstrating their learning as outlined at 1(a) |
| 1. The parent responsible for the home schooling of a student may make an application to the Authority for an exemption under subregulation (3) 2. The Authority must not grant an exemption under subregulation (3) unless the Authority is satisfied that it would be unreasonable to require the student to receive instruction in a learning area or areas set out in Schedule 1 to the Act. | The officer conducting the review may request information about all 8 learning areas.  If you have been granted an exemption from delivering any learning areas, please let the officer know or include this information on the template. |
| Regulation 77  Requirement to notify the Authority of changes to circumstances | Possible review inclusions |
| Responsible parent must notify the Authority of changes to child name, responsible parent, parent name and contact details, address of home schooling. | Parents can demonstrate that they have met this requirement by confirming the contact details as part of their acknowledgement of the review.  Parents must also tell the VRQA if any of these details change.  The officer conducting the review will also check these details at the time of review. This will include checking whether any Court Orders are in place or whether they have been updated as this can impact on who is considered the responsible parent. |