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##### 1. Citation

 These regulations may be cited as the *Witness Protection (Western Australia) Regulations 1996*1.

##### 2. Commencement

 These regulations come into operation on the day on which the *Witness Protection (Western Australia) Act 1996* comes into operation1.

##### 3. Prescribed authorities (s. 3)

 These persons are prescribed authorities for the purposes of the Act —

 (a) the person who, under the *Curriculum Council Act 1997*, is empowered to issue a certificate to a student;

 (b) the person who, under the *Vocational Education and Training Act 1996*, is empowered to confer an approved VET qualification or a prescribed VET qualification;

 (c) the person who, under the *Road Traffic (Authorisation to Drive) Act 2008*, is empowered to grant or renew a driver’s licence or issue a learner’s permit;

 (da) the person who, under the *Road Traffic (Vehicles) Act 2012*, is empowered to grant or renew a vehicle licence;

 (d) the person who, under an Act that establishes a University, is empowered to award, confer or grant a degree, diploma or other qualification;

 (e) the person who, under the *Western Australian Photo Card Act 2014*, is empowered to issue a photo card (as defined in section 3 of that Act).

 [Regulation 3 inserted: Gazette 25 Sep 2009 p. 3749-50; amended: Gazette 5 Aug 2014 p. 2835; 8 Jan 2015 p. 155‑6.]

##### 4. Prescribed registers (s. 3)

 These records or registers of information are prescribed as prescribed registers for the purposes of the Act:

 (a) any record or register of information as to the matters referred to in regulation 3 and required to be kept under an Act referred to in that regulation;

 (b) any record or register of the names of persons that is required to be kept under an Act referred to in that regulation.

##### 5. Information to be provided (s. 10)

 Under section 10 of the Act, a witness must provide this information to the Commissioner:

 (a) details of all the witness’s outstanding legal obligations;

 (b) details of all the witness’s outstanding debts, including amounts outstanding under any judgment in this State or elsewhere or for any tax, including a tax under the law of the State, another State, a Territory or the Commonwealth;

 (c) details of any offences of which the witness has been convicted in this State or elsewhere;

 (d) details of any civil proceedings that have been instituted by or against the witness and that are pending;

 (e) details of any bankruptcy proceedings that have been instituted against the witness and that are pending;

 (f) whether the witness is an undischarged bankrupt under the *Bankruptcy Act 1966* of the Commonwealth and if the witness is, copies of all documents relating to the bankruptcy;

 (g) whether the witness has entered into or intends to enter into a composition with creditors, a deed of arrangement or a deed of assignment under Part X of the *Bankruptcy Act 1966* of the Commonwealth and, if the witness has or intends to, copies of all relevant documents;

 (h) whether the witness is restricted as to holding positions in companies, whether public or private and if so, copies of documents relevant to the restriction;

 (i) details of the witness’s immigration status;

 (j) details of the witness’s assets (whether real or personal) and financial liabilities in relation to which —

 (i) a record is kept under a law of the State, another State or a Territory; or

 (ii) the witness has entered into a contractual arrangement;

 (k) details of any cash held by the witness or any of the witness’s dependants, whether in accounts or otherwise;

 (l) details of any reparation order (including any compensation or restitution order) that is in force against or in favour of the witness;

 (m) whether any of the witness’s property (whether real or personal) is liable to forfeiture or confiscation or is subject to restraint under a law of the State, another State, a Territory or the Commonwealth;

 (n) the witness’s general medical and mental condition;

 (o) the general medical and mental condition of the witness’s dependants;

 (p) details of any relevant court orders or arrangements —

 (i) relating to custody of or access to children;

 (ii) restraining the activities of the witness;

 (q) details of any business dealings in which the witness is involved;

 (r) details of any sentence or other order imposed on the witness for an offence and to which the witness is subject, together with copies of any relevant documents;

 (s) details of any order releasing the witness from custody such as an order as to bail or a parole order and to which the witness is subject, together with copies of any relevant documents;

 (t) details of any arrangements that the witness has made for —

 (i) the service of documents on the witness;

 (ii) representation in court proceedings;

 (iii) enforcement of judgments in the witness’s favour;

 (iv) compliance with the enforcement of any judgments against the witness;

 (u) details of any threats or incidents, whether real or perceived, that could be regarded as a danger to the witness or to a person related to (including a de facto partner of the witness) or associated with the witness.

 [Regulation 5 amended: Gazette 30 Jun 2003 p. 2636.]

##### 6. Corresponding laws prescribed (s. 33)

 For the purposes of the definition of ***corresponding law*** in section 33 of the Act, these laws are prescribed laws —

 (a) the *Witness Protection Act 2000* (Queensland) Part 3 Division 2;

 (b) the *Witness (Identity Protection) Act 2006* (Tasmania) Part 3.

 [Regulation 6 inserted: Gazette 25 Jan 2013 p. 281.]

[Schedule 1 deleted: Gazette 25 Jan 2013 p. 281.]

Notes

1 This is a compilation of the *Witness Protection (Western Australia) Regulations 1996* and includes the amendments made by the other written laws referred to in the following table. The table also contains information about any reprint.

Compilation table

| **Citation** | **Gazettal** | **Commencement** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| *Witness Protection (Western Australia) Regulations 1996* | 6 Dec 1996 p. 6779‑82 | 7 Dec 1996 (see r. 2 and *Gazette* 6 Dec 1996 p. 6699) |
| *Equality of Status Subsidiary Legislation Amendment Regulations 2003* Pt. 41 | 30 Jun 2003 p. 2581‑638 | 1 Jul 2003 (see r. 2 and *Gazette* 30 Jun 2003 p. 2579) |
| **Reprint 1: The *Witness Protection (Western Australia) Regulations 1996* as at 16 Jan 2004** (includes amendments listed above) |
| *Witness Protection (Western Australia) Amendment Regulations 2009* | 25 Sep 2009 p. 3749-50 | r. 1 and 2: 25 Sep 2009 (see r. 2(a));Regulations other than r. 1 and 2: 26 Sep 2009 (see r. 2(b)) |
| *Witness Protection (Western Australia) Amendment Regulations 2013* | 25 Jan 2013 p. 280-1 | r. 1 and 2: 25 Jan 2013 (see r. 2(a));Regulations other than r. 1 and 2: 1 Mar 2013 (see r. 2(b)) |
| *Witness Protection (Western Australia) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2014* | 5 Aug 2014 p. 2835 | r. 1 and 2: 5 Aug 2014 (see r. 2(a));Regulations other than r. 1 and 2: 6 Aug 2014 (see r. 2(b)) |
| *Witness Protection (Western Australia) Amendment Regulations 2014* | 8 Jan 2015 p. 155‑6 | r. 1 and 2: 8 Jan 2015 (see r. 2(a));Regulations other than r. 1 and 2: 27 Apr 2015 (see r. 2(b) and *Gazette* 17 Apr 2015 p. 1371) |