

Shared Equity Home Buyer Helper Domestic and family violence declaration

Purpose of this declaration

This declaration can be completed by a victim-survivor of a domestic and family violence incident within the last five years and any two authorised persons to establish eligibility to participate in the NSW Shared Equity Scheme. This declaration is to be completed by victim-survivors who have NOT accessed the legal system and therefore do not have an Apprehended Domestic Violence Order, court injunction, a conviction of the perpetrator, or a finding of guilt of the perpetrator.

Who can make this declaration?

An applicant is a person who is a victim-survivor of a domestic and family violence incident that occurred within the last five years.

An authorised person is one of the following:

A registered practitioner, as defined in section 5 of the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (NSW)*, who holds general or specialist registration under that Law, in one of the following professions:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practice
- Chinese medicine
- Chiropractic
- Dental, including the profession of:
 - A dentist,
 - Dental therapist,
 - Dental hygienist,
 - Dental prosthetist,
 - Oral health therapist,
- Medical
- Medical radiation practice
- Midwifery
- Nursing
- Occupational therapy
- Optometry
- Osteopathy
- Paramedicine
- Pharmacy
- Physiotherapy
- Podiatry
- Psychology

A person registered as a social worker (a member of the Australian Association of Social Workers):

- Social workers who are current members of the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW) other than student members. Further information can be found on the AASW website – www.aasw.asn.au

An employee of an NSW Government agency that provides services in relation to child welfare:

- An employee of an NSW Government agency who works in child protection

An employee of a non-Government agency that receives Government funding to provide services relating to:

- Domestic violence or sexual assault, or
- Refuge or emergency accommodation

A professional counsellor approved by the Commissioner of Victim Rights under section 31 of the *Victims Rights and Support Act 2013* to provide approved counselling services under that Act:

- Information about the approved counselling services can be found on the Department of Communities and Justice website – www.victimservices.justice.nsw.gov.au

Domestic and family violence is defined as:

Any behaviour in a domestic relationship that is violent, threatening, coercive or controlling, or that makes a person fear for their own safety or wellbeing or the safety or wellbeing of others.

How to complete this declaration

Applicant:

- complete and sign part 1 of this declaration to confirm you were subject to a domestic and family violence incident that occurred within the last five years.

Authorised person:

- are not required to prove that domestic violence has taken place, their assessment should be based on their professional observations and information provided during consultation with the applicant.
- complete and sign part 2 of this declaration after assessing the applicant and their circumstances.

Part 1. Applicant

First name	Middle name(s)	
Last name	Contact number	
Email address		
Current residential address		
Unit/Street no.	Street name	
Suburb/town	State	Postcode

Declaration by Applicant

By signing below, I declare that I am a victim-survivor of a domestic and family violence incident that occurred within the last five years and that the information contained in this declaration is true and correct.

Providing false or misleading information is a serious offence and I may be required to repay the Scheme amount, be liable for penalties up to 100 per cent of the Scheme amount or be prosecuted.

Name	Signature	Date (DD/MM/YYYY)
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Part 2. Authorised person 1 (see page 1 for persons considered an authorised person)

Full name of authorised person
Occupation/position
Registration/membership number (if applicable)
Agency/Business name and address

Declaration by authorised person

Providing false or misleading information is a serious offence and may result in penalties of up to \$11,000.

I have personally consulted with the applicant in my professional capacity and based on the information obtained from the applicant, and observations made during consultation, I have formed the view that the applicant is a victim-survivor of a domestic and family violence incident that occurred within the last five years.

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Authorised person 2 (see page 1 for persons considered an authorised person)

Full name of authorised person
Occupation/position
Registration/membership number (if applicable)
Agency/Business name and address

Declaration by authorised person

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