

# **Policy 28: National VET Data Policy**

Ballistic Training Solutions provides workforce planning, training and consultancy services to Industry Clients including the Aviation, Education, Construction, Environmental, Agricultural Engineering Infrastructure and Resource Sectors.

# **Purpose**

This Policy brings together requirements for collecting nationally consistent data about VET activity and processes, and for using data in statistical collections and national surveys.

The December 2020 National VET Data Policy is a revised policy that came into effect from 1 January 2021.

# Why we collect your personal information

As a registered training organisation (RTO), we collect your personal information so we can process and manage your enrolment in a vocational education and training (VET) course with us.

# How we use your personal information

We use your personal information to enable us to deliver VET courses to you, and otherwise, as needed, to comply with our obligations as an RTO.

# How we disclose your personal information

We are required by law (under the National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011 (Cth) (NVETR Act)) to disclose the personal information we collect about you to the National VET Data Collection kept by the National Centre for Vocational Education Research Ltd (NCVER). The NCVER is responsible for collecting, managing, analysing and communicating research and statistics about the Australian VET sector.

We are also authorised by law (under the NVETR Act) to disclose your personal information to the relevant state or territory training authority.

# How the NCVER and other bodies handle your personal information

The NCVER will collect, hold, use and disclose your personal information in accordance with the law, including the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) (Privacy Act) and the NVETR Act. Your personal information may be used and disclosed by NCVER for purposes that include populating authenticated VET transcripts; administration of VET; facilitation of statistics and research relating to education, including surveys and data linkage; and understanding the VET market.

The NCVER is authorised to disclose information to the Australian Government Department of Education, Skills and Employment (DESE), Commonwealth authorities, State and Territory authorities (other than registered training organisations) that deal with matters relating to VET and VET regulators for the purposes of those bodies, including to enable:

- administration of VET, including program administration, regulation, monitoring and evaluation
- facilitation of statistics and research relating to education, including surveys and data linkage
- understanding how the VET market operates, for policy, workforce planning and consumer information.

The NCVER may also disclose personal information to persons engaged by NCVER to conduct research on NCVER's behalf.

The NCVER does not intend to disclose your personal information to any overseas recipients.

For more information about how the NCVER will handle your personal information please refer to the NCVER's Privacy Policy at www.ncver.edu.au/privacy.

If you would like to seek access to or correct your information, in the first instance, please contact your RTO using the contact details listed below.

DESE is authorised by law, including the Privacy Act and the NVETR Act, to collect, use and disclose your personal information to fulfil specified functions and activities. For more information about how the DESE will handle your personal information, please refer to the DESE VET Privacy Notice at <a href="https://www.dese.gov.au/national-vet-data/vet-privacy-notice">https://www.dese.gov.au/national-vet-data/vet-privacy-notice</a>.

#### Surveys

You may receive a student survey which may be run by a government department or an NCVER employee, agent, third-party contractor or another authorised agency. Please note you may opt out of the survey at the time of being contacted.



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#### Contact information

At any time, you may contact Ballistic Training Solutions Pty Ltd to:

- request access to your personal information
- correct your personal information
- make a complaint about how your personal information has been handled
- ask a question about this Privacy Notice

#### **VET Data Use Statement**

Under the Data Provision Requirements 2012 and National VET Data Policy (which includes the National VET Provider Collection Data Requirements Policy at Part B), Registered Training Organisations are required to collect and submit data compliant with AVETMISS for the National VET Provider Collection for all Nationally Recognised Training. This data is held by the National Centre for Vocational Education Research Ltd (NCVER), and may be used and disclosed for purposes that include:

- populating authenticated VET transcripts
- administering VET, including program administration, regulation, monitoring and evaluation
- facilitating statistics and research relating to education, including surveys and data linkage
- understanding how the VET market operates, for policy, workforce planning and consumer information.
- NCVER is authorised by the National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011 (NVETR Act) to
  disclose to the following bodies, personal information collected in accordance with the Data Provision
  Requirements or any equivalent requirements in a non-referring State (Victoria or Western Australia), for the
  purposes of that body:
- a VET regulator (the Australian Skills, Quality Authority, the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority or the Training Accreditation Council Western Australia)
- the Australian Government Department of Education, Skills and Employment
- another Commonwealth authority
- a state or territory authority (other than a registered training organisation) that deals with or has responsibility for matters relating to VET.

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# **RTO Declaration and Understanding**

I declare that the information provided in this data submission is accurate and complete.

I understand that information provided in this data submission about client training and outcomes may appear on authenticated VET transcripts.

I understand that:

- information provided in this data submission will only be used, accessed, published and disseminated according to the National VET Data Policy
- if that information also includes personal information, the Privacy Act 1988, the Australian Privacy Principles and the National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011 regulate the collection, use or disclosure of personal information.
- I understand that:
- information provided in this data submission may be used for the purposes outlined above, and
- identified RTO level information that supports consumer information (on My Skills for example), transparency and understanding of the national VET market may be published in reports, tables and a range of other data products, including data cubes and websites, the Data Provision

All staff and contractors are required to fully support and promote Ballistic Training Solutions National Vet Data and Privacy Policy by complying with organisational standards and procedural controls. We take pride in having a transparent approach to our workplace and service delivery. I personally commit Ballistic Training Solutions to this policy.

Authorised by:

**Peter Tremain** 

Chief Executive Officer