



COMMITTEE FOR THE MINISTRY

CONFIDENTIAL QUESTIONNAIRE ACCREDITATION / RECOGNISED MINISTER APPLICATION

Personal details

Personal details and relevant information may be used and disclosed by the Association of Baptist Churches of NSW/ACT for the purposes of the Association, including being added to the Database of the Baptist Association and any updates of the Database.

Title

Surname

Given Names

Date of Birth

Address

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.....**Postcode**.....

Telephone **Home** ()

Work ()

Mobile

Email Address

Marital Status

Spouse's Name

I consent to the information contained in this application including the subsequent pages Initialed by me and the information contained in any documents accompanying this application and signed by me being collected by the Committee for the Ministry. I understand that this information will be kept in a confidential file and used only for screening purposes (except those paragraphs marked *).

**CONFIDENTIAL QUESTIONNAIRE
ACCREDITATION / RECOGNISED MINISTER APPLICANT**

Please tick either “**yes**” or “**no**” for each question. If the answer to any of the following questions is “yes”, please indicate the question number, provide relevant information regarding your response and indicate current status of the issue(s) if any. Any disclosure will not automatically rule an applicant out of selection. Failure to make a full disclosure of matters which might affect your reputation and character as an accredited/recognised minister could result in Committee for Ministry disciplinary action being taken against you if allegations or information comes to light subsequent to your accreditation/recognition. Disclosure of conduct which could be child abuse or a serious sexual offence must be specifically considered by the Director of Ministries and referred to the appropriate authorities.

Throughout this document “**charged**” indicates allegations made in writing and known to you OR allegations made to a court, disciplinary tribunal or employer in Australia or in any other country.

General

1. Have you made any previous application for accreditation/recognition with the Association of Baptist Churches of NSW/ACT or elsewhere?
Yes No
2. Have you ever, since the age of eighteen, been known by any name other the one given above?
Yes No
3. Have you done anything likely of affect adversely your reputation and character that might affect your fitness to be accredited?
Yes No

Child Protection

4. Is there any information from your past or present that may result in allegations being made against you of abuse in relation to children or young persons under 18 years?
Child abuse means: bullying; emotional abuse; harassment; neglect; physical abuse or sexual abuse.
Yes No
5. Do you have any health problem(s), including alcohol or drug use/abuse, which may affect your work with people including children or young persons?
Yes No
6. So far as you are aware, are you currently or have you ever been the subject of an investigation by the police, Department of Family and Community Services, any Child Protection Authority, employer or other proper authority?
Yes No
7. So far as you are aware, have you ever been the subject of an investigation concerning your care of, or your behaviour towards or in the presence of, children or young persons?
Yes No
8. Have you ever had permission to undertake paid or voluntary work with children or young people refused, suspended or withdrawn in Australia or another Country?
Yes No
9. Have you ever had an authorisation to work with children refused, suspended, barred or withdrawn in Australia or any other country? E.G: Working with Children Check; Working with Vulnerable People; Blue Card, etc
Yes No

10. Has a child or dependent young person in your care (as a parent or in any other capacity) ever been removed from your care, or been the subject of a risk assessment by the authorities?
Yes No

Employment, Volunteer or Professional Conduct

- 11.
- a. Has disciplinary action of any sort ever been taken against you by a professional or community association, employer, educational institution, church or any other body?
Yes No
 - b. Have there been written complaints against you that did not result in discipline?
Yes No
 - c. Are there complaints pending against you before any of the above-named bodies?
Yes No
12. Have you ever done anything in the past or present that may result in allegations being made against you of bullying or any form of harassment of adults?
Yes No
13. Have you ever been asked to cease volunteer work, resign or had your employment terminated by a voluntary association, training program, employer, church or any other body?
Yes No
- 14.
- a. Have you ever had a civil suit brought against you arising out of alleged professional misconduct, or is any such pending?
Yes No
 - b. Have you ever had professional indemnity insurance declined, suspended or revoked for any reason?
Yes No

Criminal Conduct

15. Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offence?
Yes No
16. Have you ever been charged with a criminal offence?
Yes No
17. Have you ever been charged with any offence related to cruelty to animals?
Yes No
18. Have you ever been charged with a traffic offence which required you to attend court?
Yes No
19. Has your driver's license ever been revoked or suspended?
Yes No
20. Have you ever had an Apprehended Domestic Violence Order, Apprehended Personal Violence Order or the like issued against you as a result of allegations of violence, abuse, likely harm, harassment, stalking, etc?
Yes No
21. Have you ever had a license to own firearms refused or revoked?
Yes No

31. Is there any information from your past or present that may result in allegations being made against you of sexual conduct which would be regarded by right thinking members of Baptist Churches as disgraceful and inconsistent with the standards to be observed by a Christian?
Yes No
32. Have you been involved in a homosexual relationship?
Yes No
33. Have you been involved in a sexual relationship outside of marriage?
Yes No
34. Have you ever viewed, read or listened to material, which would be judged pornographic by right thinking members of Baptist churches? This includes but is not limited to inappropriate participation in Internet chat rooms.
Yes No
35. Have you ever been charged with the production, sale or distribution of, or illegal access to pornographic materials?
Yes No
36. Have you ever engaged in any of the following conduct, *even though never having been charged*?
- sexual contact with a church member, youth group member, client, patient, student, employee or subordinate,
 - sexual contact with a person under the age of consent,
 - illegal use, production, sale or distribution of pornographic materials,
 - conduct likely to cause harm to a child or young person, or to put them at risk of harm.
- Yes No

Financial Conduct

37. Have you ever been charged with misappropriating funds, or otherwise breaching fiduciary duties in any capacity?
Yes No
38. Have you ever been charged with an offence under the taxation laws?
Yes No
39. Have you ever had an order made against you or entered into a composition with creditors or an assignment of the benefit of creditors under the "Bankruptcy Act" or have you ever had an order made against you under the "Corporations Act"?
Yes No

Interstate/International Residence

40. Have you ever resided or worked in any other Australian state or territory or any other country?
Yes No

If **YES** please list all the countries and states (in table on page 6)

State or Country	Address

Record of Christian Ministry

Include in this list every church you have attended regularly during your adult life.

Position	Church or Organisation	Location	Senior Minister	Date From	Date To
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- 41. Will you consent to the Committee for the Ministry undertaking an Australian Federal Police Check or its equivalent if you have resided in another country?
Yes No
- 42. Will you consent to a NSW Working with Children Check or an ACT Working with Vulnerable People check being undertaken?
Yes No
- 43. Are you able to declare that you are not a person prohibited from seeking, undertaking or remaining in child related employment under the NSW Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998?
Yes No
- 44. Will you consent to the Baptist Association making due diligence checks with another Christian organization with which you have worked?
Yes No

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I
of
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do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

1. The information I have provided in this application including the previous pages initialed by me and the information contained in any documents accompanying this application and signed by me are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief;
2. I have received a copy of the current edition of the Code of Ethics and Conduct for Baptist Ministers in NSW & ACT;
3. I understand that the Code applies to all pastors;
4. I understand that any materials misstatement in or omission from this questionnaire may render me unfit to remain an accredited/recognised minister.
5. I authorise the Director of Ministries or his delegate to contact and exchange information provided with any institution or persons in an endeavor to verify any information provided in support of my application.

Applicant's signature.....Date.....

Your signature must be witnessed by a person authorised to witness a Statutory Declaration.

I
FULL NAME OF JP JP REGN NO

a Justice of the Peace for:
State or Territory

1. *I saw the face of the declarant/deponent OR *I did not see the face of the declarant/deponent because he/she was wearing a face covering, but I am satisfied that he/she had a special justification for not removing it, and
2. *I have known the person for at least 12 months OR *I confirmed the person's identity with.....
DESCRIBE IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENT RELIED ON

JP's signature.....Date.....

* include only the text that applies

INTERVIEWER: PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 8 AND COMPLETE DURING INTERVIEW

Annexure A

The Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test: Self-Report Version

Please circle one box for each question that best describes your answer to each question.

Questions	0	1	2	3	4	
1. How often do you have a drink containing alcohol?	Never	Monthly or less	2-4 times a month	2-3 times a week	4 or more times a week	
2. How many drinks containing alcohol do you have on a typical day when you are drinking?	1 or 2	3 or 4	5 or 6	7 or 9	10 or more	
3. How often do you have six or more drinks on one occasion?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily	
4. How often during the last year have you found that you were not able to stop drinking once you had started?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily	
5. How often during the last year have you failed to do what was normally expected of you because of drinking?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily	
6. How often during the last year have you needed a first drink in the morning to get yourself going after a heavy drinking session?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily	
7. How often during the last year have you had a feeling of guilt or remorse after drinking?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily	
8. How often during the last year have you been unable to remember what happened the night before because of your drinking?	Never	Less than monthly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily or almost daily	
9. Have you or someone else been injured because of your drinking?	No		Yes, but not in the last year		Yes, during the last year	
10. Has a relative, friend, doctor or other health care worker been concerned about your drinking or suggested you cut down?	No		Yes, but not in the last year		Yes, during the last year	
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