

Foster Carer Card

The Foster Carer Card was introduced by the Queensland Government to recognise the valuable contribution that foster carers and kinship carers make to their communities and the lives of the children and young people they care for.

What is the Foster Carer Card?

The Foster Carer Card helps foster carers and kinship carers in their day-to-day fostering duties by providing easy identification to government agencies and hospitals.

The Foster Carer Card also provides access to a range of discounts from participating businesses and retail outlets for foster carers and kinship carers, and children and young people in their care.

Who is eligible for a Foster Carer Card?

Approved foster carers and kinship carers throughout Queensland are eligible for the Foster Carer Card. For families with two carers, each carer will be issued with a card. The Foster Carer Card is to be used by carers and not by the children and young people in their care.



How do I get a Foster Carer Card?

You will automatically receive a Foster Carer Card when you are approved as a foster carer or kinship carer. If you think you are eligible for a Foster Carer Card and have not received one, contact your Child Safety Officer.

Which businesses accept the Foster Carer Card?

Businesses that accept the Foster Carer Card and information about the range of discounts that are available are listed on the Department of Child Safety website. You can also obtain this information from your Child Safety Officer.

Conditions of use

- The Foster Carer Card is non-transferable and cannot be used by any other person.
- The confidentiality of the identity of children and young people in care must be maintained. If a child or young person is present when the card is used, you must be careful not to disclose the identity of that child or young person.
- You must sign the signature block on the Foster Carer Card before use.
- You are required to return the Foster Carer Card to your Child Safety Officer if you cease to be a carer.
- The Foster Carer Card remains the property of the Department of Child Safety.
- If your card is lost or stolen, or you change your address or name, please advise your Child Safety Officer as soon as possible.

For more information visit www.childsafety.qld.gov.au

or contact the Department of Child Safety on **1800 811 810** or **3224 8045**.