

Parents of adult Australian citizens and permanent residents included in 'immediate family' travel exempt category

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From 1 November 2021, the definition of 'immediate family member' will include the parents of adult Australian citizens and permanent residents. **This is for the purpose of assessing exemptions to Australia's travel restrictions only.**

The definition of parents of Australian citizens and permanent residents includes:

- biological parents
- legal (including adoptive) parents
- step-parents
- parents in-law.

Before you can travel, you will need to have your relationship with your adult Australian child confirmed by submitting a travel exemption request. You must submit your request through the [Travel Exemption Portal](#). Select the category 'I am an immediate family member' and then 'parent of adult Australian citizen or permanent resident'.

You will need to provide evidence of:

- your adult child's Australian citizenship or permanent residency; and
- your parental relationship to the Australian citizen or permanent resident.

Refer to [Immediate family of Australian citizens or permanent residents or New Zealand citizens usually resident in Australia](#) on the [Department of Home Affairs Covid-19](#) and the [border website](#) for details.