

Goolum Goolum Aboriginal Co-Operative (GGAC) and its Board of Directors take the responsibility of confirmation of Aboriginality very seriously and will only consider applications where all the below eligibility requirements are met.

This position has been taken as these requests are generally for the purpose of seeking eligibility to services and opportunities that are exclusively for the benefit of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people.

1) Eligibility

To meet this criterion, you must be able to satisfy all three parts of the following definition:

1. Descent – the individual can prove that a parent is of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent (demonstrated through providing a family tree).
2. Self-identification – the individual identifies as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.
3. Community recognition – the individual is accepted as such by the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community in which they live (two separate written references will be required).

2) Completing the Application Form

- a) This application must be correctly and fully completed. If you do not provide sufficient documentation, then your application will not be considered by the GGAC Board and will be returned to you for completion.
- b) Confirmation of Aboriginality remains entirely at the discretion of the GGAC Board. Decisions will not be revisited unless the Board is provided with significant new evidence that may affect the decision made.

3) Notes

- a) In cases of Stolen Generation or disconnection from family, the GGAC Board will consider applications where you can provide clear supporting documentary evidence (e.g., from Link-up, AIATSIS Family History Kits or other such family history or reunification services) that your family heritage is of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent.
- b) GGAC will not accept applications with statutory declarations.
- c) Making a false or misleading statement is a criminal offence which if found guilty can carry significant penalty.

Applicant Details

Name:

Please mark on of the following to indicate your descent:

☐ Aboriginal ☐ Torres Strait Islander ☐ Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander

Name of the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander group you identify with and/or apical ancestors.

Date of Birth: / /

Is this application for a child?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Place of Birth:

Residential Address:

Street Number and Name: _____

Suburb: _____ State: _____ Postcode: _____

Contact Number:

Email:

Are you a member of GGAC or any other Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation are you a member of?

Applicant Information

Why do you require a Confirmation of Aboriginality?

How do you identify as an individual Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander?

Define how you identify your activeness and connection to the community in which you live.

Please prove your history, details, dates and connection to the district.

Family tree of Applicant

Please attach your family tree ensuring you clearly mark which parent/s or grandparent/s are Indigenous of Aboriginal & Torres Strait descent. There are many ways to do a family tree one example is attached on the following page.



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Family Tree Example

FATHER'S SIDE

MOTHER'S SIDE

Father's father's parents
(your great grandparents)

Father's mother's parents
(your great grandparents)

Mother's father's parents
(your great grandparents)

Mother's mother's parents
(your great grandparents)

Father's father
(your grandfather)

Father's mother
(your grandmother)

Mother's father
(your grandfather)

Mother's mother
(your grandmother)

FATHER

MOTHER

YOUR NAME

Application Checklist

Yes / No

- ☐ / ☐ Personal photo(s) attached.
- ☐ / ☐ Two written and signed references attached from known Aboriginal community members or Aboriginal organisations.
- ☐ / ☐ Family tree demonstrating your family heritage and clearly indicating which parent/s, grandparent/s and great grandparent/s are Indigenous demonstrated by either matrilineal or patrilineal system and genealogy.
- ☐ / ☐ Link-Up documentation if you cannot provide a family tree (only for applicants who are from the Stolen Generation or who are disconnected from their family).
- ☐ / ☐ If you identify as _____, a copy of your _____ membership is required.
- ☐ / ☐ If your family heritage is from outside of the _____ Traditional lands a supporting letter from the local Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation in the area where your family is from is required.
- ☐ / ☐ Copy of birth certificate to show connection

If you have answered No to any of the above, please provide details for your response.

Printed name of applicant:

Signature of applicant or guardian if the applicant is under 18.

Date: ____ / ____ / ____