

Unreasonable to live at home

Statement by Independent Third Party

(SY017)

Name of young person claiming 'Unreasonable to live at home'

When to use this form



The young person named above has applied as an independent person for Youth Allowance, ABSTUDY or Disability Support Pension purposes under the 'Unreasonable to live at home' guidelines.

In order for Services Australia to make an assessment, this form needs to be completed by an independent third party. An independent third party is someone who has contact with the young person and is aware of the family situation, for example, counsellor, social worker, doctor, teacher or an adult relative. They must have reasonable or first hand knowledge of the family situation.

The young person has applied to be considered independent, claiming it is unreasonable for them to live at home. To meet these guidelines it must be unreasonable for the young person to live at home because:

- of extreme family breakdown, other than normal parent or adolescent conflict
- of serious risk to their physical or mental health if they continue to live at home, or
- their parent(s)/guardian(s) cannot provide a suitable home as they do not have stable accommodation.

The information you provide on this form will help us decide if the young person qualifies for the independent rate.

For more information



If you need help to fill in this form or you need more information about the questions, call us on **132 490** for Youth Allowance, **1800 132 317** for ABSTUDY or **132 717** for Disability Support Pension.

We can translate documents you need for your claim for free.

To speak to us in your language, call **131 202**.

Call charges may apply.

If you have a hearing or speech impairment, you can contact the **TTY service Freecall™ 1800 810 586**. A TTY phone is required to use this service.

Filling in this form

- Use black or blue pen.
- Print in BLOCK LETTERS.
- Where you see a box like this ► **Go to 1** skip to the question number shown.

Your details – independent third party

1 Your details

Family name

First given name

Second given name

2 Your organisation (if applicable)

3 Your relationship to the young person, for example, relative, social worker, teacher

4 Your permanent address

 Postcode

5 Your contact details

Phone number

Is this a silent number? No Yes

Mobile phone number

**Young person details – person claiming
'unreasonable to live at home'**

6 Young person's name

Family name

First given name

Second given name

7 Young person's date of birth

8 Read this before answering the following question.

Parent means a natural or adoptive parent, or a person who is legally responsible for the young person. If the young person's parents are separated we need to know details about each of them (if known).

Is the young person currently living at home with their parent(s)?

No ► *Go to next question*

Yes ► **Do not answer questions 9 to 31.
Go to 32**

9 When did the young person leave their parent(s)/guardian(s) home?

10 Has the young person left their parent(s)/guardian(s) home previously?

No ► *Go to next question*

Yes ► Give details below

Date the young person left home or estimate of date left	Date the young person returned home to live or estimate of date returned
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If the young person has left home on more than 4 occasions, provide a separate sheet with details.



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11 Details of the person, with whom the young person last lived.
Name

Relationship to the young person:

- Both parents
- Parent *Go to next question*
- Other parent
- Guardian
- Other *Give details below*

12 How do you know the young person and their family?
Describe briefly the length of your relationship and what contact have you had with them.

13 Do you have first-hand knowledge of the young person's family situation?

No *Go to next question*

Yes *Go to 15*

14 Have you tried to mediate between the young person and their parent(s)/guardian(s)?

No

Yes

15 Describe any contact or involvement you have had with either of the parents/guardians to discuss the family situation.

16 Read this before answering the following question.

Questions 16 to 18 relate to parent 1 the young person lived with.

Why did the young person leave home?

Give details of any problems or particular incidents that led the young person to leave home.

17 How long have these problems been going on?

18 How do you think the young person is affected by the problems that led them to leave home?

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19 Has the young person or their parent(s)/guardian(s) attempted counselling or mediation to improve their relationship?

1 What has been tried

Name of person or organisation contacted

Has this helped improve the relationship between the young person and their parent(s)/guardian(s)? No Yes

2 What has been tried

Name of person or organisation contacted

Has this helped improve the relationship between the young person and their parent(s)/guardian(s)? No Yes

20 Is the young person allowed to return home to live?

No Go to next question

Yes Go to 22

21 Why is the young person not allowed to return home to live?

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Go to 23

22 Will any conditions apply if the young person returns home to live?

No Go to next question

Yes Give details below

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28 Is the young person able to live with their **other parent/guardian**?

No Give details below
Yes

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29 Describe the relationship between the young person and their **other parent/guardian**. How do they get along? What sort of contact do they have?

Vertical lined writing area for question 29.

30 Are the young person's parent(s)/guardian(s) or anyone else providing them with support?

Examples of support include providing money and/or food, paying bills, subsidising rent, paying school fees.

No Go to next question

Not sure Go to next question

Yes Give details below

Include:


- type of support provided
- how often support is provided
- who is providing the support.

Vertical lined writing area for question 30.

31 Is there any other information you can provide that will help us decide if it is unreasonable for the young person to live at home with either parent/guardian?

No Go to next question

Yes Give details below

 Provide any other documents or reports that you wish to provide.

Vertical lined writing area for question 31.

If you need more space, provide a separate sheet with details.

Privacy notice

32 You need to read this

Privacy and your personal information

The privacy and security of your personal information is important to us, and is protected by law. We collect this information to provide payments and services. We only share your information with other parties where you have agreed, or where the law allows or requires it. For more information, go to servicessaustralia.gov.au/privacy

Your declaration – independent third party

33 Declaration

I declare that:

- the information I have provided in this form is complete and correct.

I understand that:

- Services Australia can make relevant enquiries to make sure the young person receives the correct entitlement.

Your signature



Date

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Returning this form

Return this form and any supporting documents:

- **by post to**
Services Australia
Student Services
PO Box 7804
CANBERRA BC ACT 2610
- in person at one of our service centres.