

Information sheet

Law Clerk

ANZSCO: 599214

Group D

About this document

- The following Information Sheet is for your reference only and should be used as a guide to assist with your Skills Assessment application to VETASSESS. This information is subject to change.
- Please note that a Skills Assessment of the qualification involves assessment of both the qualification level and content. Qualifications are assessed according to the guidelines published by the Australian Government Department of Education.
- The employment assessment involves determining the skill level and relevance of the tasks undertaken.
- Integrity checks may be conducted to verify the qualification and employment claims made in an application.

Job description

A Law Clerk performs specialised clerical work associated with legal practice and law courts.

Occupations considered suitable under this ANZSCO code:

Legal Clerk

These occupations are classified elsewhere in ANZSCO or are not at the required skill level.

Law Clerk is a VETASSESS Group D occupation

This occupation requires a qualification assessed as comparable to the educational level of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Certificate III or IV.

Applicants can fulfil the assessment criteria for this occupation in one of four ways.

Qualification and employment criteria

Applicants must have fulfilled at least one of the following four criteria (1–4):

GROUP D	Criteria for a positive Skills Assessment				
Post-qualification Pathways					
	Minimum comparable Certificate III or IV or higher AQF level		With highly relevant major field of study		Highly relevant employment duration*
1	Minimum AQF Certificate IV	+		+	0 0 1 YEAR minimum
2	Minimum AQF Certificate IV	+	No highly relevant major	+	2 YEARS minimum
3	Minimum AQF Certificate III	+		+	0 0 3 YEARS minimum
Pre-qualification Pathway					
	Highly Relevant employment duration*				Minimum comparable Certificate IV AQF level
4	3 YEARS 1 YEAR minimum Within last 5 years	+	With or without highly relevant major field of study	+	<u>AQF</u>

 Highly relevant paid employment duration (20 hours or more per week)

Pathways 1–3

minimum years of post-qualification employment highly relevant to the nominated occupation, completed at an appropriate skill level in the five years before the date of application for a Skills Assessment.

Pathway 4

minimum 4 years of relevant employment required – Three years of relevant employment (can be outside the last 5-year period) in addition to at least one year of highly relevant employment within the last five years before applying.

A positive assessment of both qualification level and employment duration is required for a positive Skills Assessment outcome.

Qualification

AQF Certificate III or higher qualification. This includes qualifications assessed at AQF Certificate III, Certificate IV, Diploma, Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree, Bachelor Degree, Graduate Diploma, Master and Doctoral level.

Highly relevant major fields of study include:

- Law
- Legal Services
- Legal Practice
- Legal Studies
- Justice
- > Crime and Justice Studies
- > Paralegal Studies.

Employment Tasks

Highly relevant tasks include, but are not limited to:

 Assisting Solicitors in areas of conveyancing, contracts, common law, probate and other legal practice matters.

Further requirements may apply

The requirements outlined in this information sheet is related to is relating to VETASSESS skills assessments for migration purposes. In relation to professionally practising the occupation in Australia, additional accreditation requirements may apply. Applicants are required to perform their own research to determine any additional accreditation requirements.

