



Veterans' Entitlements (Veterans' Children Education Scheme) Amendment Determination 2024

I, Matthew James Keogh, Minister for Veterans' Affairs, approve for the purposes of subsection 117(9) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, the determination by the Repatriation Commission in the following instrument.

Dated 18 December 2024

Matthew James Keogh
Minister for Veterans' Affairs

The Repatriation Commission makes the following instrument.

Dated 10 December 2024

The Seal of the
Repatriation Commission
was affixed to this instrument
in the presence of:

Mark Brewer
AM CSC and Bar
Acting Deputy President

Gwen Cherne

Commissioner

Kahlil Fegan
DSC AM
Commissioner

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Veterans' Entitlements (Veterans' Children Education Scheme) Amendment Determination 2024*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after the day it is registered.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under subsection 117(8) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*.

4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Veterans' Children Education Scheme (Instrument 2015 No. R43)

1 Paragraph 1.2.1 (definition of *double orphan*, paragraphs (b), (c) and (d))

substitute

- (b) an eligible child who has one parent and:
 - (i) the deceased parent was a member or veteran by reference to whom the child is an 'eligible child'; and
 - (ii) the *Commission* is satisfied the child is not being maintained by the surviving parent.

2 Paragraph 7.3.3

substitute

7.3.3 In deciding whether to award a *Long Tan Bursary* to an *Eligible child* or *eligible grandchild of a Vietnam veteran*, the *Commission* must take into account any matter that the *Commission* thinks is relevant.

7.3.3A The *Commission* may award a bursary subject to conditions stated in the document offering the bursary to the person (however described).

3 After paragraph 7.3.4

insert

7.3.4A The *Commission* may suspend or terminate a *Long Tan Bursary* if a person who has been awarded the bursary fails to comply with a condition imposed under paragraph 7.3.3A.

7.3.4B If the *Commission* suspends or terminates the bursary, the *Commission* must give the person a written notice stating:

- (a) that the bursary is suspended or terminated; and
- (b) the day the suspension or termination takes effect.

7.3.4C For subparagraph 7.3.4B(b), the *Commission* may state a day that is on or after the day the person fails to comply, or begins to fail to comply, with the condition.

Note: An overpayment may be recovered under section 205 of the Act.

4 At the end of paragraph 7.3

insert

7.3.7 In this paragraph:

administer, a *Long Tan Bursary*, includes:

- (a) accept and assess an application for the bursary; and
- (b) award or refuse to award the bursary to an applicant; and
- (c) impose conditions on a bursary; and
- (d) monitor and report on a recipient of the bursary; and
- (e) carry out the actions mentioned in paragraph 7.3.4A or 7.3.4B.