



**Life in Australia – Australian values**

The Australian Government encourages people to gain an understanding of Australia, its people and their way of life, before applying for a visa to live in Australia. As part of your visa application process every person aged 18 years or over must declare that they will respect Australian values, as outlined below and obey the laws of Australia.

**Australian values include respect for the freedom and dignity of the individual, freedom of religion, commitment to the rule of law, Parliamentary democracy, equality of men and women and a spirit of egalitarianism that embraces mutual respect, tolerance, fair play and compassion for those in need and pursuit of the public good.**

**Australian society also values equality of opportunity for individuals, regardless of their race, religion or ethnic background.**

It is also important to understand that English is the national language.

If anyone has concerns about signing the statement you should talk to your visa case officer.

Further information is contained in the *Life in Australia* booklet, however, you are not required to read the booklet. The booklet is available in a wide range of languages. If you would like a copy of the booklet it can be obtained from [www.immi.gov.au](http://www.immi.gov.au)

**AUSTRALIAN VALUES DECLARATION**

This declaration must be signed by the main applicant and each person aged 18 years or over who is included in the visa application.

*I declare that I will respect Australian values as listed on this form, during my stay in Australia and will obey the laws of Australia.*

**Signature**

Date

**Name**

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**Name**

**Office use only**

Client identifier

File number

Visa class or subclass

Processing office