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| 1. About this form1. Please read the information in sections 1 to 5 before completing this form.
2. The form notifies of the intention to participate in an alternative program such as eligible option, comprising one or more of education or training, apprenticeship, traineeship or employment.
3. This form only applies to children who have completed Year 10 and are not yet 17 years old. If the child does not meet these criteria, please contact your local school for advice on education programs.
4. This form supersedes all previous versions.

2. About Eligible Options1. Section 38 of the *Education Act 2015* [NT] requires that a compulsory school age child, under 17 years of age who has completed Year 10 must participate on a full-time basis in one of the following options:
* approved education or training (s38(5) either school-based or external
* if the child who is 15 years of age or older in paid employment or a combination of approved education or training and paid employment (s38(2)(a)(ii).
1. The options referred to above are known as eligible options.
2. A combination of activities is permissible provided they equate in total to an average of 25 hours or more a week.
3. An approved Notification of Arrangements (NOA) must be in place for students participating in an Eligible Option that consists of non-school based employment or education and training such as an external eligible option.

3. About Notification of Arrangements (NOA)1. When is a NOA not required?
* Where a child is enrolled and attending Year 11 or 12 at a school, or participating in another approved secondary education program such as home education. In these cases, the school or parent is responsible for the education arrangements for the child.
1. When is a NOA required?
* Where a child is participating in an external eligible option, the employer, training organisation or university is responsible for the child’s education arrangements and the NOA must be completed by all participating parties.
1. The NOA needs to be approved prior to the external eligible option commencing.
2. An approved NOA remains in force until either:
* the child ceases to participate in the approved activity
* the child re-enrols in a school-based option
* there is a change to the activity, for example to employment, training course or provider
* the NOA is cancelled
* the child is no longer of compulsory school age.
1. If a NOA is not approved or is no longer in force, the child must re-enrol in full-time school or submit a new NOA seeking approval for participation in an alternative activity if they have not yet reached the age of 17.

4. Terms and conditions Parties to this NOA must sign the declaration in the relevant section of the NOA. In doing so they declare they understand and accept the terms and conditions relevant to their participation:1. All parties
* Information provided in this NOA form is accurate to the best of their knowledge
* If the eligible option described in this form changes or ceases, all participating parties will inform the Eligible Options Coordinator within 7 days of the changes or cessation
* The Department of Education will follow up with parents, schools, education and training providers or employees to verify information provided in the NOA
* The Department of Education will notify parents, schools, education and training providers or employees of the outcome of the NOA application.
1. Parent or independent child
* If the approved eligible option described in this form changes or ceases, the parent or independent child must lodge another NOA form for an alternative Eligible Option, or the child must be enrolled and attending school or participating in an alternative approved program.
1. Employer
* Employment arrangements comply with Federal and Northern Territory acts, regulations, codes of practice and standards that apply to the industry
* Wages are in line with the employment award for the industry or, where there is no award, in line with the national minimum wage as set out in the *Fair Work Act* 2009.
1. Education and training providers
* Arrangements comply with applicable Federal and Northern Territory acts, regulations, codes of practice, frameworks and standards
* All registered training organisations must comply with the VET Quality Framework.

5. Completing the NOA form1. The Parent and independent child must complete sections A to D
2. The Employer, if applicable, must complete sections E and F
3. The RTO or other education and training provider must complete sections G and H
4. Please complete all relevant sections as fully as possible. Incomplete forms cannot be processed.
5. Parties to the NOA will be advised of the outcome by letter.
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| Notification of Arrangements form A. Parent or independent child details

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| Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are required.Fields marked with a caret (^) are for office use only. |
| Student details |
| Surname |  | First name  |  |
| Address  |  |
| Date of birth  |  | Gender  |  |
| Phone  |  | Mobile  |  |
| School enrolled at |  |
| If not enrolled, school where Year 10 is completed |  |
| Are you applying as an independent child? | ☐ No | ☐ YesIf yes, go to Part B |
| Parent details |
| Surname |  | First name  |  |
| Address |  |
| Phone |  | Mobile  |  |
| Email  |  |

B. Reason for alternative arrangements

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| Describe why you are seeking alternative arrangements to fulltime school  |
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C. Eligible options component of this NOA

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| Check one box to indicate which options this NOA relates to |
|[ ]  Employment only |
|[ ]  Vocational education and training (VET) or other education and training only  |
|[ ]  Apprenticeship or traineeship  |
|[ ]  Combination of employment and VET, apprenticeship, traineeship or other education and training |
|[ ]  OtherIf you checked this box, write a short explanation below: |

D. Parent or independent child declaration

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| Declaration |
| I declare I have read and accept the terms and conditions at section 4 that apply to me |
| Name\* |  |
| Signature\*  |  | Date\* |  |

E. Employment details

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| Name of employer |  |
| Name of workplace |  |
| Employer ABN |  |
| Address of workplace |  |
| Title of position  |  |
| Clearly describe the tasks that will be part of the employment |  |
| Days per week |  | Hours per week |  |
| Employment start date |  |
| Employer’s contact person |  |
| Phone  |  | Mobile |  |
| Email  |  |
| Name of employee’s workplace supervisor | Complete this section if different to employer’s contact person: |

F. Employer declaration

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| Declaration  |
| I declare I have read and accept the terms and conditions at section 4 that apply to my organisation |
| Employer’s name\* |  |
| Name of the employer representative signing this declaration\* |  |
| Signature\* |  | Date\* |  |

G. Education and training provider

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| Provider information  |
| Please provide a detailed work plan if a course code is not provided |
| Name of provider  |  | ABN |  |
| Address  |  |
| Course code\* |  | Length of course |  |
| Name of course  |  |
| Number of training days a week |  | Number of training hours a week |  |
| Training start date |  |
| Provider’s contact person |  |
| Phone  |  | Mobile  |  |
| Email  |  |

H. Provider declaration

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| Declaration by provider  |
| I declare I have read and accept the terms and conditions at section 4 that apply to my organisation |
| Name of provider representative signing this declaration\* |  |
| Signature\* |  |

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| End of form |

## Lodging the NOA form

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| Please lodge the completed form with: | For enquiries about eligible options or completing this form, please contact: |
| Eligible Options Advisor eligibleoptions.doe@education.nt.gov.au; or your local Education Regional Office; or the school your child is, or was last enrolled at. | Jennifer Preest, Eligible Options AdvisorTelephone: 0889870875 or 0409153283  eligibleoptions.doe@education.nt.gov.au |

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| Compliance and follow up checklist^ |
| Party^ | **Notes**^ | **Compliance requirements met**^ |
| Parent or independent child^ |  | [ ]  No | [ ]  Yes |
| School^ |  | [ ]  No | [ ]  Yes |
| Employer^ |  | [ ]  No | [ ]  Yes |
| Education and training provider^ |  | [ ]  No | [ ]  Yes |
| Approval^ |
| **Date application received**^ |  |
| **Decision**^ | [ ]  **NOA approved**^ | [ ]  **NOA not approved**^ |
| **Date decision letter sent**^ |  |
| Approver^ |
| **Name**^ |  |
| **Position**^ |  |
| **Signature**^ |  | **Date**^ |  |

## Comments

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