

AMR Communications – Employers

Automatic Deemed Registration, also known as the Automatic Mutual Recognition (AMR) scheme commenced on 1 July 2021. The AMR scheme is part of the *Mutual Recognition Act 1992* (Cth).

The Northern Territory government has **exempted** the teaching profession from participating in the AMR scheme. This exemption is in place until 30 June 2027. **This means that teachers are not currently able to use the AMR scheme to work as a teacher in the Northern Territory.**

For the occupation of teaching, the AMR scheme would allow teachers who are registered in one jurisdiction in Australia (the home jurisdiction) to be able to teach in another Australian jurisdiction (the host jurisdiction), without the need to become registered in the host jurisdiction. This is distinct from Mutual Recognition (MR) where a teacher who is registered in one jurisdiction, is able to become registered in another jurisdiction based on their nominal registration.

The exemption from AMR scheme has been granted in the Northern Territory due to the risk that the immediate implementation of the AMR scheme poses to children's safety and educational outcomes in the Northern Territory.

This exemption does not apply to MR, and teachers continue to be able to access MR when moving across jurisdictions.

You are currently unable to employ a person as a teacher in the Northern Territory under the AMR scheme.

If you employ a person as a teacher under the AMR scheme during the exemption period, this is an offence in accordance with section 72(1) of the *Teacher Registration (Northern Territory) Act 2004* and you may be prosecuted.

All teachers in the Northern Territory must hold current teacher registration with the Teacher Registration Board of the Northern Territory, or an employer must hold an authority to employ an unregistered person, in order for that person to teach in Northern Territory schools. Registration can be verified by utilising the [search the register](#) function available on our website.

If a Northern Territory teacher wishes to teach in another jurisdiction under the AMR scheme, they will need to confirm with the teacher regulatory body of that jurisdiction whether the AMR scheme is in place for teachers in that jurisdiction.