

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

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Senator Bilyk asked on 2/06/2010, Hansard page 131.

Question

NATIONAL CODE OF GOOD PRACTICE FOR AUSTRALIAN APPRENTICESHIPS

Senator BILYK—Can you tell me quickly about the National Code of Good Practice for Australian Apprenticeships and how that works.

Answer

The *National Code of Good Practice for Australian Apprenticeships* (the National Code) provides both parties entering into a Training Contract with a clear understanding of each other's obligations and expectations.

It is an Australian Government requirement that Australian Apprenticeships Centres, contracted to offer Australian Apprenticeships Support Services, must provide a copy of the publication *National Code of Good Practice for Australian Apprenticeships* to both the employer and the Australian Apprentice at sign-up of the Australian Apprenticeship. In addition, Australian Apprenticeships Centres must explain to both the employer and the Australian Apprentice their rights and responsibilities under the Training Contract as set out in the National Code.

A copy of the National Code is publicly available at
<http://www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au/about/publications.asp>