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These guidelines are for early entry into Tasmanian school for children who have previously been enrolled in a school in another state or territory and now reside in Tasmania.

1. The agreement reached by Education Ministers in April 2007

It was agreed that state and territory policies and practices would ensure that no child moving interstate will be disadvantaged in his/her progress through the school system by different state and territory school starting ages and that the issue of student mobility would continue to be addressed through national processes including the Interstate Student Data Transfer Note and Protocol.

2. Mobile Category Agreement

The mobile category agreement enables early entry to be permitted for a child who has the required documentation to support admission based on this category.

3. What is required documentation?

- child’s Birth Certificate and
- a copy of the child’s enrolment form from the previous school or a dated letter of confirmation of enrolment from the previous school
- a copy of the child’s most recent school report
- evidence of a change in residential address for the child’s parents/carers from interstate to Tasmania.

4. Process

The principal of the school will accept the mobile category enrolment once he/she has authenticated the required documentation and in consultation with the parents/carers, is satisfied that it is in the best interest of the child.

The school will keep copies of the required documentation on the student’s file.

These guidelines also cover early entry into Kindergarten for young children who have previously been enrolled in a Kindergarten in another state or territory and now reside in Tasmania.

5. About Early Entry

Under Tasmania’s Admission Policy and Guidelines for all Tasmanian schools, children begin Kindergarten if they are 4 years old by January 1. The Early Entry Guidelines for gifted students or students under the mobile category form part of these guidelines. See Admission Guidelines for Kindergarten and Preparatory (Prep).

Please refer to the online copy of this document (TASED-4-1726), located on the Tasmanian Department of Education’s website to ensure this version is the most recent (Version 2.0).
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7. Related Documents

The following documents are available from www.education.tas.gov.au (Search for the Doc ID)

- Enrolment, Attendance and Participation Policy (Doc ID: TASED-4-1212)
- School Enrolment Procedures (Doc ID: TASED-4-1215)
- Admission Guidelines for Kindergarten and Preparatory (Prep) (Doc ID: TASED-4-1721)

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