

Citizenship Ceremony Dress Code

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1 Purpose

To meet the requirement of the Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code which states that a Dress Code is to be set by individual councils.

2 Background

The Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code 2019 states that the attire of attendees at citizenship ceremonies should reflect the significance of the occasion, and requires a Dress Code to be set by individual councils.

Councils must provide a current copy of their Dress Code to the Department of Home Affairs.

3 Scope

This Dress Code applies to all attendees of a citizenship ceremony conducted by the Hobsons Bay City Council, whether as conferees or guests.

4 Definitions

Citizenship ceremony - is the final legal step in the acquisition of Australian citizenship. This means taking the pledge of commitment at an Australian citizenship ceremony. Conferees pledge their loyalty to Australia and its people, that they share Australia's democratic beliefs, respect the rights and liberties of the people of Australia and that they will uphold and obey the laws of Australia.

Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code (the Code) - supports the *Australian Citizenship Act 2007* and sets out the legal and other requirements for conducting citizenship ceremonies as well as the roles and responsibilities for those involved in citizenship ceremonies. The Code provides guidance to organisations to help plan and conduct citizenship ceremonies.

5 Policy

All attendees of the ceremony are encouraged to wear smart casual attire that reflects the significance of the occasion. Attendees are also welcome to wear their own national, traditional or cultural dress.

6 Related Documents

Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code

7 Related Legislation

Australian Citizenship Act 2007

8 Further Information

For further information concerning this Code please contact Council's Corporate Integrity Department on 9932 1000 or email governance@hobsonsby.vic.gov.au

9 Document Control

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