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19 September 2024

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Dear Karl David

**Section 271 application for certificate of exemption from the requirements of Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the Act) (FR2024/118)**

I refer to the application lodged pursuant to section 271(1) of the Act by the Police Federation of Australia-Victoria Police Branch (the reporting unit) for the financial year ended 30 June 2024. The application was lodged with the Fair Work Commission on 12 September 2024.

The application has been granted. The certificate is attached.

If you have any queries regarding this letter, please call 1300 341 665 or email [regorgs@fwc.gov.au](mailto:regorgs@fwc.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

**Chris Enright**  
Executive Director  
Fair Work Commission



# CERTIFICATE

*Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*

s.271—Certificate of exemption from requirements of Chapter 8, Part 3

**Police Federation of Australia-Victoria Police Branch**

FR2024/118

MR ENRIGHT

MELBOURNE, 19 SEPTEMBER 2024

*Certificate of exemption from the requirements of Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*

[1] On 12 September 2024 an application was made under section 271(1) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* by the Police Federation of Australia-Victoria Police Branch for a certificate of exemption in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

[2] I am satisfied that the reporting unit did not have any financial affairs in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2024.



DELEGATE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

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Registered Organisations Commission  
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Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: Application for Exemption (Section 271(1))  
Lodgement of Financial Reports for year ended 30 June 2024**

Thank you for your courtesy reminder about preparing and processing the financial reports for the Police Federation of Australia Victoria Branch (the Branch), as required by the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the Act).

In accordance with the Police Federation of Australia, Victoria Branch Rules, as President, I am authorised to act on behalf of the Branch.

Pursuant to section 271 of the Act, we hereby apply for a certificate to exempt the Branch from the requirements of the Act relating to financial matters occurring in the year ended 30 June 2024.

In support of the application, I state the following:

1. The Branch does not trade or carry out financial transactions of any kind.
2. The Branch does not have an account with a bank or any other financial institution, nor does it have custody of any real property or monies.
3. The Branch accordingly has no reason to keep accounting records.
4. The reason that the Branch does not trade is because of the relationship between the Branch and the Associated Body, ie. The Police Association (the Association) referred to in Rules 6A, 68 and the membership application form at Annexure "A" of the Federal Rules of the Police Federation of Australia.
5. The Associated Body was incorporated on 31 March 1947.
6. The Branch was not formed until 31 December 1997, when the Police Federation of Australia was registered as an organisation.
7. Since inception, the Associated Body has carried out financial transactions, including the collection of membership fees, the payment of accounts for expenses incurred in carrying out regular business, has operated a bank account, has leased and/or owned property and office machinery, has made donations exceeding \$1,000, has employed and paid wages of employees.
8. Membership of the Branch and the Associated Body are identical and indistinguishable. No member of the Branch is ineligible for membership of the Associated Body. No prospective member has applied to be a member of the Branch and not also a member of the Associated Body.

9. The Officers of the Associated Body are the officers elected by the Branch in accordance with the Branch Rules and the Federal Rules. The Branch Executive meets monthly and regulates the affairs of the Branch in a thorough and consistent manner. Officers of the Branch act for and appear for members in the Fair Work Commission.
10. The Association as the Associated Body is the representative industrial organisation for a majority of Victoria Police members (total full financial members at 1 July 2024 is 17,611).
11. The Association is a registered company under the Corporations Act and is subject to the scrutiny of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC), with an annual requirement to provide a fully audited general purpose financial report for the preceding 12-month period (last reported period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023).
12. This process involves a full audit of the Association's financial affairs carried out by a second-tier accounting firm, LD Assurance, who are appointed as auditors of the Association at each annual general meeting held in September.
13. The audit carried out by LD Assurance is presented to the Directors' meeting in September of each year and is then published on the Association's website ([www.tpav.org.au](http://www.tpav.org.au)) which is freely available for all members to view.
14. The financial report will be presented to members at the annual general meeting of the Association to be held on Thursday 19 September, 2024.
15. The Association is required to lodge the 2023/2024 financial report with ASIC in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001.
16. The only financial concern of the Branch relates to the payment of capitation fees by the Branch to the Federal Fund pursuant to Rule 7 of the Police Federation Rules. This fee is paid by the Associated Body in accordance with Rule 7(e) of the Rules.

Enclosed is the signed statement of loans, grants and donations for the Branch for 2023-24, which shows a Nil return.

We respectfully request that you consider the aforementioned matters and provide an exemption from the requirements.

If you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Ms [REDACTED] Corporate Services Manager, on 03 9468 2600.

Your sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
Karl David APM  
**President**