

DETERMINATION 4: QUALIFICATIONS FOR DESIGNATED WHISTLEBLOWER CONTACT OFFICERS

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PS Act Determination and Guidelines	Qualifications for Designated Whistleblower Contact Officers
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Who is covered by this Determination?

Under Section 7 of the *Public Sector Act 2009* (the “PS Act”):

“Each public sector agency must ensure that a public sector employee (with qualifications determined by the Commissioner) is designated as a responsible officer for the agency for the purposes of the Whistleblowers Protection Act 1993.”

Accordingly, this Determination applies to:

- All public sector agencies in the South Australian public sector

Determination relating to qualifications of responsible officers

1 Commissioner’s Determination

1.1 The Commissioner for Public Sector Employment determines that persons designated as responsible officers for the purposes of the *Whistleblowers Act 1993*, will at least possess the following attributes and qualities:

- Knowledge of the content and operation of the *Whistleblowers Protection Act 1993* and other relevant legislation and policies;
- Appropriate seniority and standing within the agency and with recognised status and reputation; and
- Tact, discretion and sophisticated communication skills.