

CONFIRMATION OF ABORIGINALITY

APPLICATION FORM



The Gunya Meta Board takes the responsibility of confirming Aboriginality seriously and will only consider cases where the applicant and their family heritage is known to the Board and where they meet all eligibility requirements. This position has been taken as these requests are generally for the purpose of seeking eligibility to services and opportunities that are exclusively for the benefit of Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander people.

Eligibility

1. Aboriginality eligibility - to meet this criterion, you must be able to satisfy all three-parts of the following definition:

- descent - the individual can prove that a parent is of Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander descent (family tree required); and
- self-identification - the individual identifies as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander; and
- community recognition - the individual is accepted as such by the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community in which they live (two written references required).

In cases of stolen generation or disconnection from family, the Gunya Meta Board will consider applications where you can provide clear supporting documentary evidence (from Link-up or other such family history or reunification services) that your family heritage is Indigenous.

2. Location eligibility - being for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community of Logan. To meet this criterion, you must be:

- from Logan and you still currently living in Logan; or
- from Logan or have lived most of your life in Logan, but you are currently living elsewhere; or
- born and/or raised in Logan regardless of where your family is from; or
- from a community outside of Logan, but you have lived most of your life in Logan; or at least the past 5 years.

If your family heritage is from outside of Logan and you do not meet the above criteria, your application will not be accepted. You should instead seek your confirmation from a relevant local Indigenous organisation in the area where your family is from.

Completing the Application Form

This application must be correctly and fully completed. It is your responsibility to provide the necessary documentation to prove that you meet the Confirmation of Aboriginality criteria. If you do not provide sufficient documentation, then your application will not be considered by the Gunya Meta Board and will be returned to you for completion.

The Confirmation of Aboriginality remains entirely at the discretion of the Gunya Meta Board. Despite an application being complete, if the Gunya Meta Board does not have any knowledge of the applicant or their family heritage, they will not approve the Confirmation of Aboriginality.

You will also need:

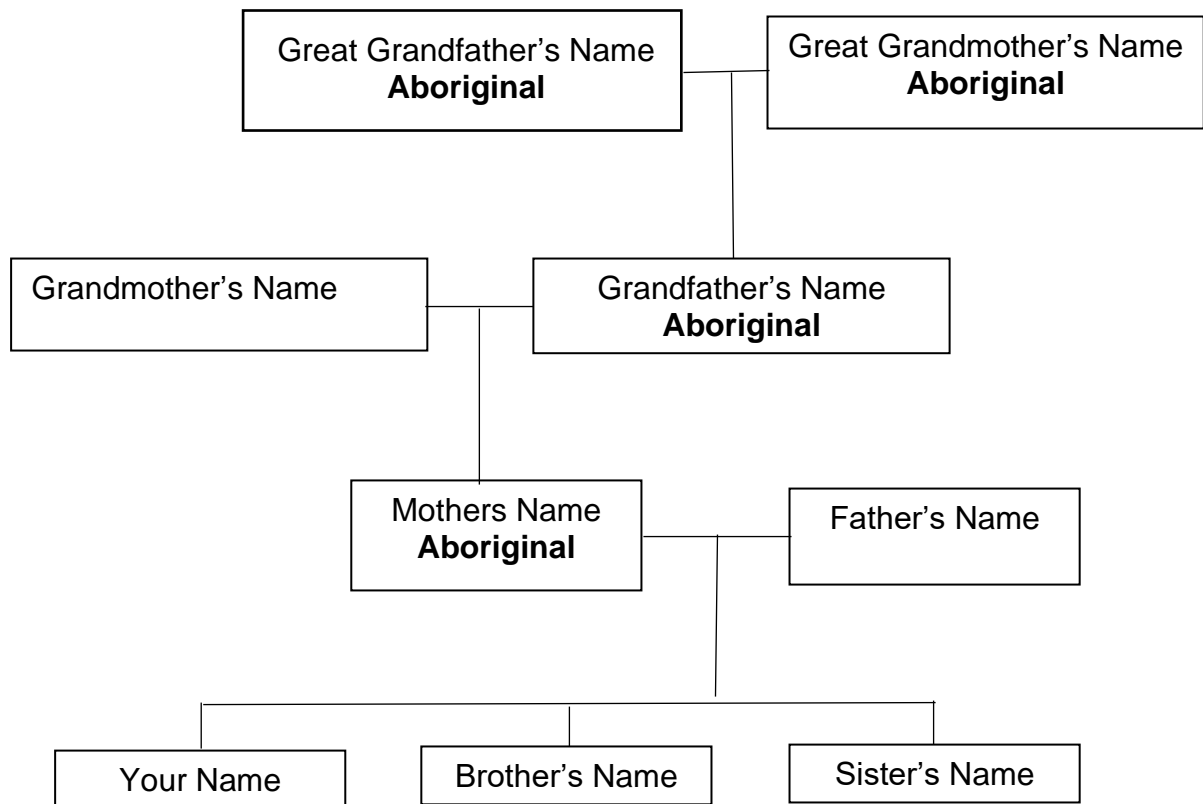
- **Photo ID**
- **Proof of Address.**
- **Supporting letters to verify you.**
- **Any other supporting documents.**

Please draw you family Tree. (See example on next page)

Any other additional family information you wish to provide i.e. tribe connections

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for drawing a family tree and providing additional family information.

SAMPLE ONLY: Family Tree



A statutory declaration under the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959* may be made before:

1. a person who is currently licensed or registered under a law to practise in one of the following occupations:

Chiropractor	Nurse	Psychologist	Dentist	Optometrist
Veterinary Surgeon	Legal Practitioner	Patent Attorney	Trademarks attorney	Physiotherapist Pharmacist
Medical practitioner				
2. a person who is enrolled on the role of the Supreme Court of a State or Territory, or the High Court of Australia, as a legal practitioner (however described); or
3. a person who is in the following list
 - Agent of the Australian Postal Corporation who is in charge of an office supplying postal services to the public
 - Australian Consular Officer or Australian Diplomatic Officer (within the meaning of the *Consular Fees Act 1955*)
 - Bailiff
 - Bank officer/Building Society officer/ Credit union officer with One or more years of continuous service
 - Chief executive officer of a Commonwealth court
 - Clerk of a court
 - Commissioner for Affidavits
 - Commissioner of Declarations
 - Employee of the Australian Trade Commission who is:
 - a) in a country or place outside Australia; and
 - b) authorised under paragraph 3(d) of the *Consular Fees Act 1955*; and
 - c) exercising his or her function in that place
 - Employee of the Commonwealth who is:
 - a) in a country or place outside Australia; and
 - b) authorised under paragraph 3(d) of the *Consular Fees Act 1955*; and
 - c) exercising his or her function in that place
 - Fellow of the National Tax Accountants' Association
 - Finance company officer with five or more years of continuous service
 - Holder of a statutory office not specified in this list
 - Judge of a court
 - Justice of the Peace
 - Magistrate
 - Marriage celebrant registered under Subdivision C of Division 1 of Part IV of the *Marriage Act 1961*
 - Master of a court
 - Member of a Chartered Secretaries Australia
 - Member of Engineers Australia, other than at the grade of student
 - Member of the Association of Taxation and Management Accountants
 - Member of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy
 - Employee of the Australian Defence Force who is:
 - a) an officer; or
 - b) a non-commissioned officer within the meaning of the Defence Force Discipline Act 1982 with 5 or more continuous years of service
 - c) a warrant officer within the meaning of that Act
 - Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, the Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants or the National Institute of Accountants
 - Member of;
 - a) the Parliament of the Commonwealth; or
 - b) the Parliament of the State; or
 - c) a Territory legislature; or
 - d) a local government authority of a State or Territory
 - Minister of a religion registered under Subdivision A of Division 1 of Part IV of the *Marriage Act 1961*
 - Notary public
 - Permanent employee of the Australian Postal Corporation with 5 or more years of continuous service who is employed in any office supplying postal services to the public
 - Permanent employee of:
 - a) the Commonwealth or Commonwealth authority; or
 - b) a State or Territory or a State or Territory authority; or
 - c) a local government authority;
 with five or more years of continuous service who is not specified in another item in this list
 - Person before whom a statutory declaration may be made under the law of the State or Territory in which the declaration is made
 - Police officer
 - Registrar, or Deputy Registrar, of a court
 - Senior Executive Service employee of;
 - a) the Commonwealth or a Commonwealth authority; or
 - b) a State or Territory or a State or Territory authority
 - Sheriff
 - Sheriffs officer
 - Teacher employed on a full time basis at a school or tertiary education institution.

Gunya Meta Inc.

Confirmation of Aboriginality or Torres Strait Islander Descent Application



I _____
(Full Name)

Are Also known by any other name? i.e. maiden, community or traditional name

Date of Birth: _____ Mobile: _____

Address: _____

Make the following declaration under the Statutory Declarations Act 1959
(please tick appropriate)

1 ☐ I am of Aboriginal descent; and **or** ☐ I am of Torres Strait Islander descent
(Tick both if applicable)

2 ☐ I identify as an Aboriginal person; and **or** ☐ I identify as a Torres Strait Islander
(Tick both if applicable)

AND

3 ☐ I am accepted as such by the _____ Community.

In which I currently live.

Or ☐ I am accepted as such by the _____ Community.

In which I formerly lived for _____ years

I understand that a person who intentionally makes a false statement in a statutory declaration is guilty of an offence under section 11 of the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*.

Signature of applicant _____

(If applicant is under 18 signature to be done by parent or legal guardian, insert name after signature)

Decided by a resolution of the
Gunya Meta Inc Management committee:

Resolution Number: _____ Date of Meeting: ____/____/____

1. Position: _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

2. Position: _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Common Seal