

## What is the Companion Card?





It is a card that fits in your wallet and has a photo of the person.



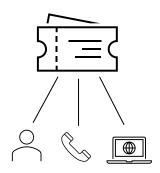
It tells you that the person in the photo needs a companion.

A companion is a person that supports another person that needs help.



You can show the Companion Card at some places to get free entry for your companion when booking or buying a ticket.

# How do I use the Companion Card?



You can book or buy tickets in different ways:

- In person,
- Over the phone,
- On the internet.



### Booking in person.

Make sure you show your Companion Card.



### Booking over the phone.

Tell the person you have a Companion Card. They might ask you for your card number and the expiry date.



### Booking online.

Look for information about the Companion Card under accessibility on the website.

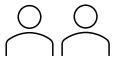


Take your card with you when you go to an event.

You might get asked to show your card there.

Before booking your ticket, you should check that the venue is accessible for you.

## Who can be my companion?



A companion can be a support worker or carer.

They might be:

- a family member
- a friend
- a partner

It does not have to be the same person each time.

A companion is a person providing you with support you need.









- walking or moving around
- communication
- self-care
- learning
- planning

Your companion supports you when other aids or strategies do not help you to do these things independently.

# Where can I use the Companion Card?







You can use your Companion Card at places like:

- sporting venues
- movies
- buses, trains and trams

Not all places accept the Companion Card.



For a list of South Australian businesses that accept the Companion Card, go to <a href="https://www.sa.gov.au/companioncard">www.sa.gov.au/companioncard</a>



The Companion Card is also accepted in other places in Australia.



Before you book or buy tickets, make sure you:

- Ask if they accept the Companion Card
- Look for the Companion Card logo

## Can I apply for a Companion Card?



You can apply for a Companion Card if you:

- Live in South Australia and
- Have a significant or permanent disability and
- You are not able to participate in activities and events without the support of a companion.

## How do I apply?



To apply for a Companion Card, you need to complete an application form.



Download the application form at www.sa.gov.au/companioncard



Call 1800 667 110 to have the form posted to you.



You will need to provide a small, clear photo of yourself with your application.





SA Companion Card

Reply Paid 292, Adelaide SA 5001

You do not need to use a postage stamp.

### Contact



Website: www.sa.gov.au/companioncard



**Phone:** 1800 667 110 (free call)



Email: DHSCompanioncard@sa.gov.au

### Alternative formats



The information in this form can be in another format or another language on request by calling 1800 667 110.

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