

Things to do before you turn 18



1 Apply for an NSW Photo Card

Why? This is your official identification or ID
You will need ID for many things

2 Set up a bank account in your name

Why? You need your own bank account to get your DSP
and some NDIS payments when you are an adult

3 Check the rules at your bank for
when a person turns 18

Why? Banks sometimes stop your parents or carers from
accessing your accounts when you become an adult

4 Create a myGov account

Why? You need a myGov account to use many
government services and apps like Centrelink

5 Apply for the Disability Support Pension (DSP)

Why? This is money to support people who cannot work full time because of their disability

6 Apply for a Centrelink Payment and Correspondence Nominee

Why? This lets someone you trust help you talk to Centrelink and manage your payments and mail

7 Apply for an NDIS Plan and Correspondence Nominee

Why? This lets someone you trust help you manage your NDIS plan when you are an adult

8 Apply for a Tax File Number (TFN)

Why? This is a number that you need to get money from the government or if you get a job

9 Enrol to vote at the AEC

Why? Voting is compulsory when you turn 18
This means you have to vote in government elections