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ACT AVETMISS REPORTING GUIDE

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2024 REPORTING - KEY DATES

Timeline	Reporting
1 – 15 April 2024	RTO submission window for reporting March quarter ACT funded training activity. Data submission must include all funded activity from 1 January to 31 March 2024. Fee for service activity may be included.
1 – 15 July 2024	RTO submission window for reporting June quarter ACT funded training activity. Data submission must include all funded activity from 1 January to 30 June 2024. Fee for service activity may be included.
1 – 15 October 2024	RTO submission window for reporting September quarter ACT funded training activity. Data submission must include all funded activity from 1 January to 30 September 2024. Fee for service activity may be included.
1 January – 15 February 2025	RTO submission window for reporting 2024 full year ACT funded training activity. Data submission must include all funded activity from 1 January to 31 December. Fee for service activity may be included.

INTRODUCTION

This document provides direction to registered training organisations (RTOs) with an approved Training Initiative Funding Agreement (Agreement), or equivalent, on how to interpret, implement and comply with the Australian Vocational Education and Training Management Information Statistical Standard (AVETMISS) quarterly reporting requirements.

Reporting ACT funded training activity is a contractual obligation under the Agreement and its associated schedule.

GENERAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- > The RTO must meet the deadlines for quarterly reporting of ACT funded training activity.
- > Reported data must be consistent with the current AVETMISS VET Provider Collection Specifications, which details the requirements for providing nationally consistent data on VET students and courses, apprentices and trainees, and any additional state specific criteria. A copy of the AVETMISS Provider Collection Specifications: release 8.0 can be downloaded from the [National Centre for Vocational Education Research \(NCVER\) website](#).
- > The RTO must submit the following AVETMISS compliant NAT files for all ACT funded training activity via AVETARS.
 - NAT00010.txt Training organisation file
 - NAT00020.txt Training organisation delivery location file
 - NAT00030A.txt Program file
 - NAT00060.txt Subject file
 - NAT00080.txt Client file
 - NAT00085.txt Client contact details file
 - NAT00090.txt Disability file
 - NAT00100.txt Prior educational achievement file
 - NAT00120.txt Training activity file
 - NAT00130.txt Program completed file
- > Training activity must be reported at both the program (qualification) level and the subject (unit of competency) level. Element of competency reporting is not required or accepted.
- > The RTO must report subjects only where there is 'serious engagement' in activity in that subject. The RTO must have evidence of participation if a student is reported as having commenced in a subject. If a student has not yet commenced or attended a subject, the subject must not be reported.

- > For the purposes of AVETMISS, an enrolment must be reported if the student has done at least one (1) of the following:
 - attended at least one (1) class or lecture specific to the subject
 - submitted a least one (1) piece of work or assessment for the subject
 - engaged in a documented record of learning activity in the subject
 - been granted/not granted a Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) or credit transfer for the subject.
- > RTOs can submit data for both funded and unfunded training in the same data set.

MANDATORY STUDENT DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

RTOs must provide high quality client demographic data for ACT funded training activity.

In accordance with Standard 1.2.1 and 1.2.4 of the *ACT Standards for Delivery of Subsidised Training*, valid responses to all mandatory AVETMISS enrolment questions must be collected from each funded client and entered into the RTO student management system.

The use of 'unknown' or 'not supplied' in mandatory data fields is discouraged and should only be used when the data cannot be sourced from the client.

STATE FUNDING CODES

The RTO must include state funding code data for all funded activity. The following table outlines the codes that must be used.

Initiative Name	Funding source - national	Funding source – State Training Authority	Specific funding identifier
Australian Apprenticeships (funded contracts)	11	AAP	
Australian Apprenticeships (unfunded contracts)	20	AAP	
Adult and Community Education (ACE)	15	ACE	
Skilled Capital	11	SKC	
Job Trainer	11	SJT	
Fee Free TAFE	11	FFT	
Fee Free TAFE 2	11	FF2	
National Workforce Development Fund -Job seeker	13	NWD	11 (expiry 31/12/2019)
National Workforce Development Fund -Existing worker	13	NWD	12 (expiry 31/12/2019)
Industry Skills Fund	13	ISF	14 (expiry unknown)
Fee for Service (Domestic)	20	FFD	
Fee for Service (International Onshore client)	31	FFI	
Fee for Service (International Offshore client)	32	FFO	

Revenue from government

- 11- Commonwealth and state general purpose recurrent
- 13- Commonwealth specific funding programs
- 15- State specific funding programs
- 20- Domestic client – other revenue

Other revenue

- 31- International onshore client – other revenue
- 32- International offshore client – other revenue
- 80 - Revenue earned from another training organisation (TAFE use only)

DATA PREPARATION AND VALIDATION

In preparing AVETMISS data files, the RTO must ensure that all information is complete and correct. In particular, the RTO must provide:

- > complete client demographic details including 'date of birth', 'indigenous status identifier', 'disability flag', 'USI', 'gender', 'language identifier', 'labour force status identifier', 'state identifier', 'postcode', 'at school flag', 'highest school level completed identifier', 'prior education achievement flag' and 'country identifier' for all funded students; and
- > 'Funding source – state training authority' for all funded enrolments in the training activity file (NAT00120).
- > if the 'funding source – national' is 13 (Commonwealth specific funding programs) then the 'Specific funding identifier' must be reported.

Your submission will be returned to you for corrective action if all details are not provided for ACT funded training activity.

Prior to submission, AVETMISS data **must** be validated using the online NCVET AVETMISS Validation Software (AVS) available at <http://avs.ncver.edu.au>.

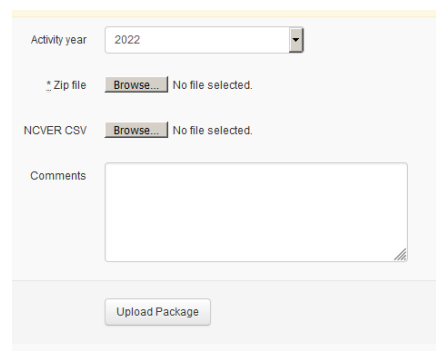
When validating your files:

- > ensure that the 'Enforce collection period dates' option is selected.
- > ensure that the options listed under Preliminary checks are not selected. Only fully validated file sets will be accepted.
- > fix any errors generated by the validation software at the data source (the RTO student management system).
- > select the correct quarterly reporting 'Period' e.g., for end of year reporting, the Jan-Dec option must be chosen.
- > once the files have been validated successfully (no errors and/or no warnings), use the Export button to download the files from AVS.
- > **Do not** select the 'Export with encrypted names' option when exporting the files.
- > a validation result email will be sent to the RTO with the NCVET AVS validation summary report (.csv file) attached. This file is named 'CollectionProcessingSummaryReport_YOUR_RTO_NAME.csv'. The name of this file should not be changed.

RTO AVETMISS SUBMISSION THROUGH AVETARS

RTOs are required to upload AVETMISS reporting files and the AVS validation summary report (.csv file) directly into AVETARS during the AVETMISS submission window. The procedure for AVETMISS reporting in AVETARS is outlined below.

1. Log in to AVETARS and navigate to the AVETMISS upload page. The AVETMISS upload page during a reporting period will show a message that states the submission window is open.
2. When you select 'Upload ZIP file', in addition to uploading your standard AVETMISS reporting files, you will also be prompted to upload the AVS validation summary report (.csv file) indicating successful validation of your data to demonstrate NCVET compliance.
3. To be included in the National VET Provider Collection, the uploaded AVETMISS reporting files and AVS validation summary report (.csv file) must match.
4. You must include a comment in the comment box that identifies your data as being submitted for reporting purposes (e.g., 2024 March quarter AVETMISS reporting).
5. Submissions which do not have a fully validated AVS validation summary report (.csv file) will not be accepted for inclusion in the National VET Provider Collection.



The screenshot shows a web form for uploading AVETMISS data. At the top, there is a dropdown menu for 'Activity year' with '2022' selected. Below this are two file selection fields: 'Zip file' and 'NCVER CSV', each with a 'Browse...' button and the text 'No file selected.' underneath. A large text area for 'Comments' is positioned below these fields. At the bottom of the form is a button labeled 'Upload Package'.

Please note:

When submitting your RTO's AVETMISS reporting files:

- > do not select the option for payment claim
- > AVETARS will only accept files that have been validated within the previous five days
- > even though your file has passed NCVER's validation rules, you may still see some AVETARS errors. This is because the NCVER's online validation software checks for the minimum data quality requirements to meet national reporting standards. The AVETARS checks may require additional information to meet payment requirements. AVETARS errors will not prevent your data from being used for national reporting.
- > once you have successfully uploaded your file in AVETARS, Skills Canberra will download and re-validate it through NCVER AVS as state training authority (STA) submitter. This process may identify new errors and/or warnings that are not identified when uploading in AVETARS. This is because for STA submitter and when data from different RTOs are aggregated, AVS can check the consistency of the data from different RTOs, from the previous submission. The total of certain types of warnings of the aggregated data can go beyond the threshold allowed by NCVER, which need fixing. In addition, AVS checks the aggregated data for data quality such as on missing demographic information and on data trends before allowing for final submission to NCVER. Therefore, you may still receive email from Skills Canberra about further errors, warnings and/or data missing to review, fix and re-submit your file, after you have successfully uploaded your file in AVETARS.

PRIVACY OF INFORMATION

All data provided to the Directorate is held in the strictest confidence according to the Territory Privacy Principles and under the Directorate's Privacy Policy, for use by the Directorate and NCVER on behalf of the Australian Government. The data that the Directorate provides as part of the national collection has all client names encrypted and omits contact information, so that no client can be identified outside the Directorate.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further questions or help with submitting AVETMISS quarterly reporting data, email avetmiss.reporting@act.gov.au or call (02) 6205 5795.



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