

# Recognised Practising Deafblind Interpreter

Information for applicants

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# About

**NAATI advises all candidates to read the following information before applying for this credential.**

NAATI offers the Recognised Practising Deafblind Interpreter (RPDBI) credential for interpreters looking to have their skills and experience recognised. A practitioner who holds this credential has satisfied the minimum training requirements and has recent and regular experience as an interpreter but has not had their skills tested by NAATI.

Only interpreters who already hold a NAATI certification in Auslan or Deaf interpreting are eligible to apply for an RPDBI credential.

## How do I get this credential?

To be eligible for an RPDBI credential, applicants must satisfy several prerequisites relating to training, work practice, language proficiency and ethical and intercultural competency.

### Training and work practice requirements

All candidates applying for an RPDBI credential must have completed at least some formal training in Deafblind interpreting.

There is currently one training and work practice pathway for the RPDI credential.

## Pathways

The training requirement for Deafblind interpreting is designed to ensure minimum quality standards for interpreting. The requirements for obtaining this credential are:

- Hold a NAATI credential in Auslan or Deaf interpreting **AND**
- Provide evidence of completing the Monash Deafblind Interpreting Course.

If you believe that you can meet the training and work practice requirements in a different way, you may contact NAATI directly.

### What evidence of training and work practice will NAATI consider?

For evidence of training and work practice, you should submit a transcript from Monash Deafblind Interpreting Course.

### Auslan and English proficiency

Applicants meet this prerequisite by holding a NAATI certification in Auslan or Deaf Interpreting.

### Ethical and intercultural competency

There are no additional EC and IC prerequisites for this credential. However, ethical and intercultural competencies specific to a Deafblind audience are included in the required training. Evidence that you have completed the Monash Deafblind Interpreting Course will be sufficient.

## How to apply

To apply for the RPDBI credential, you will need to create an account in our customer portal, [myNAATI](#), and submit your application from there.

Please make sure you have read and understood the [Terms and Conditions](#) before applying for this test.

**Step one:** Register and log in to your myNAATI account and submit an application.

**Step two:** NAATI will process your application. You will receive an email once your application is processed (generally within a week).