Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

Reporting RPL

This guide explains how to report RPL in TCSI.

Note: Providers are encouraged to report each competency as a Unit of Study (UoS) to ensure transparency.

How RPL needs to be reported depends on the circumstances in which RPL is granted. Please follow the reporting guidance for one of the three scenarios below as appropriate.

- Scenario 1 - RPL is granted as part of the Unit of Study
- Scenario 2 - RPL is granted (or not granted) following an RPL assessment with assessment fee charged
- Scenario 3 - RPL is granted following an RPL assessment with no assessment fee charged

A visual guide to these scenarios is at Attachment A of this fact sheet.

Further information on the definition of RPL and its requirements is available in section 4.8.11 of the VET Student Loans Manual for Providers.

Scenario 1 - RPL is granted as part of the Unit of Study

It is intended that the student **will** enrol in a standard Unit of Study (or the majority of it) as negotiated with the provider. Only a small proportion of the Unit of Study will be recognised as RPL.

Please report the Unit enrolment packet (VET) | TCSI Support as a typical unit as follows:

Table 1: Scenario 1

TCSI	element	Guidance
E329	Mode of attendance	Is a required field for reporting in scope unit enrolments. This data element is an assessment - only mode of study and does not usually require any attendance. If unsure which value to report, you may use 3 which will cover all possible scenarios (Multi-modal Mode of Attendance).
E354	Unit of Study Code	Is the same for all students enrolled in the Unit of Study. This is irrespective of whether they access RPL for some, none or all of the Unit of Study.
E355	Unit of Study Status Code	Indicates the outcome of the Unit of Study in accordance with data element specifications. Must be either 1, 2, 3, 4 or 6 as appropriate. Do not report 5 (RPL) as this code refers to cases where the student does not undertake a standard Unit of Study.
E339	EFTSL	EFTSL is the same for all students. Report the EFTSL value for the Unit of Study.
E384	Amount Charged	Is the tuition fee that the student was charged for the Unit of Study. This could be the published fee or a lower fee if some of the Unit of Study was RPL'ed.
E577	RPL Code	Must be null (to be left blank/empty). This is irrespective of whether the student is receiving RPL for some, none, or all of the Unit of Study.

TCSI	element	Guidance
E489	Unit of Study Census Date	Is reported in accordance with data element specifications.
E600	Unit of Study Commencement Date	Is reported in accordance with data element specifications.
E601	Unit of Study Outcome Date	Is reported in accordance with data element specifications.

Scenario 2 - RPL is granted (or not granted) following an RPL assessment with assessment fee charged

It is intended that the student will **not** study the Unit of Study (or the majority of it). The student will be charged an assessment fee and may or may not be undertaking some gap training. Most or all of the Unit of Study will be recognised as RPL.

Please report the Unit enrolment packet (VET) | TCSI Support with RPL details as follows:

Table 2: Scenario 2

TCSI	element	Guidance
E329	Mode of attendance	Is a required field for reporting in scope unit enrolments. This data element is an assessment -only mode of study and does not usually require any attendance. If unsure which value to report, you may use 3 which will cover all possible scenarios (Multi-modal Mode of Attendance).
E354	Unit of Study Code	Is reported, as per the provider's preference, as either: • the Unit of Study Code for which RPL is granted or • a unique Unit of Study Code created for reporting RPL against a unit of study.
E355	Unit of Study Status Code	Must be '5' (RPL).
E339	EFTSL	Must be 0.000000001.
E384	Amount Charged	Is equal to the RPL assessment fee that the student was charged.
E577	RPL Code	Must either be '1' (RPL with no gap training) or '2' (RPL with gap training). Where RPL is not granted following the assessment, use '1'.
E489	Unit of Study Census Date	Is reported in accordance with data element specifications.
E600	Unit of Study Commencement Date	Is the date that the RPL assessment starts. Must align with the 'Activity Start Date' reported to AVETMISS[1] for assessment only clients.
E601	Unit of Study Outcome Date	Must align with the 'Activity End Date' reported to AVETMISS for 'assessment only clients'.

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[1] Australian Vocational Education and Training Management Information Statistical Standard

Scenario 3 - RPL is granted following an RPL assessment with no assessment fee charged

It is intended that the student will **not** study the Unit of Study (or the majority of it). The student is **not** charged an assessment fee and may or may not be undertaking some gap training. Most or all of the Unit of Study will be recognised as RPL.

The RPL does not need to be reported. If the Provider chooses to report the RPL (optional), please report the Course prior credit packet (VET) | TCSI Support as follows:

Table 3: Scenario 3

TCSI	element	Guidance
E560	Credit Value Used	Is the EFTSL value of RPL used towards the requirements of the course.
E561	Credit Basis Code	Must be either '0500' (work experience) or '0600' (other). The other credit codes relate to study undertaken at another institution which does not constitute RPL for the reporting of VSL.

Visual guide to RPL reporting in TCSI

Figure 1: Visual Guide to RPL reporting in TCSI