

Recipient—blindness indicator

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- [Commonwealth Department of Social Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 20/06/2018

Definition: An indicator of whether a recipient is blind.

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class: [Recipient](#)
Definition: The person to whom an Australian Government benefit is provided.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Government Department of Social Services.

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property: [Blindness indicator](#)
Definition: An indicator of permanent blindness. An individual is permanently blind if:

- visual acuity on the Snellen Scale after correction by suitable lenses is less than 6/60 in both eyes;
- a field of vision constricted to 10 degrees or less of arc around central fixation in the better eye irrespective of corrected visual acuity (equivalent to 1/100 white test object);
- a combination of visual defects resulting in the same degree of visual impairment as that occurring in the above points.

Property group: [Impairment characteristic](#)

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Government Department of Social Services
Origin: Office of Parliamentary Counsel 2016. Guide to Social Security Law. 3.6.2.40 Assessment of Blindness for DSP. Viewed 27 September 2016, <http://guides.dss.gov.au/guide-social-security-law/3/6/2/40>.

Data element concept attributes

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Submitting organisation: Australian Government Department of Social Services

Relational attributes

**Data Elements
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Element Concept:**

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