

Department of Families, Seniors, Disability Services and Child Safety

Recording Restrictive Practice Usage in ODC for Physical Restraint

This information sheet provides practitioners, service providers and disability support workers with information about reporting of Restrictive Practice usage in the Online Data Collection system (ODC) for Physical Restraint. Restrictive Practice usage information is required to be reported to the Department each month. Details about the use of Physical Restraint are to be recorded in ODC for each time that Physical Restraint is used as a Restrictive Practice within the month.

Recording the use of Physical Restraint in ODC

Each use of Physical Restraint is to be recorded as a separate Restrictive Practice instance of use in ODC. Physical Restraint is recorded as episodic usage only. For more information on the definition of Episodic usage, please refer to the [Restrictive Practice Collection using ODC – Quick Reference Guide](#).

An example of Physical Restraint

Janice is 18 years of age and is supported by staff from an accommodation service to live in her own apartment. Three days per week she works at a plant nursery and is supported by a community access service provider. Janice is not legally able to make decisions for herself and her parents make these for her.

At work Janice has started to pinch her support worker. This was something she has done in the past at school with teachers and fellow students and occasionally at home with her sister. The advice from her parents has been to hold her hand to prevent Janice from pinching you and say “no” and then guide her hand back to the task she is doing. This is the action staff have been using.

Reporting Episodic Physical Restraint in ODC

Login to ODC to display the Online Data Collection page:

1. **Select** Restrictive Practice drop down list and select [Restrictive Practice Service User](#) hyperlink to display the *Search Restrictive Practice Service User* page.

2. **Enter** the Service User's details.
3. **Select** 'Search' button.
4. **Select** from the search result the Service User's Surname hyperlink to display the *Service Users Details* page.
5. **Select** Restrictive Practice Summary from the Service User menu to display the *Restricted Practice Summary* page.
6. **Select** the Service Outlet where the Restricted Practice occurred.
7. **Select** Add Episodic Restrictive Practice Usage hyperlink.

Note this example shows no previous recording of Restrictive Practice Usage and this is the first Usage recorded for the Service User and the Service Outlet. This is the only time that Physical Restraint for the Service User and Service Outlet is to be entered. Every other time an instance of use is added to the existing "Physical Restraint" Restrictive Practice Type, so that all Usage is reported under the same Restrictive Practice Type. This allows trending of usage so it can be determined if this Restrictive Practice is being eliminated or reduced in Usage.

Service User

Online Data Collection > Service User > Service User Details > Restrictive Practice Summary

[-] Restrictive Practice
Service User
Service User Details
Restrictive Practice Summary
Return

Restrictive Practice Summary

There have been changes to certain fields within the Restrictive Practices entry areas from October 2015. Please take the time to review these, which can be found [here](#).

Service User Details

BIS Client ID:
First Name:
Date of Birth:
Date of Death:
Surname:
Gender:

Service Outlet Details

Service Outlet:

Monthly Summary - Episodic Restrictive Practice Usage

[Add Episodic Restrictive Practice Usage](#)
No records found

Monthly Summary - Routine Restrictive Practice Usage

[Add Routine Restrictive Practice Usage](#)
No records found

8. **Select** Physical Restraint for the Add a new Restrictive Practice type
9. **Select** the **Physical Restraint** Type – in this example we select “One person guiding”
10. **Select** Add new instance of for the Add a new Restrictive Practice type use hyperlink
11. **Enter** the following details:
 - Start Date – The date the usage of physical restraint commenced
 - Start Time – The time the usage of physical restraint commenced
 - End Date – The date the usage of physical restraint ceased (must be less than 24 hours)
 - End Time – The time the usage of physical restraint ceased (must be less than 24 hours)
 - Location – Select from the drop-down list. If not listed, select Other from the drop list and provide the details in the adjoining field - *If Other, please specify.*
 - Behaviour Posing Risk of Harm to Self Or Others – Record this as the main behaviour that was presented and the behaviour led to the use Restricted Practice.
 - Injury – Injury is **only** required to be entered when an injury was sustained as result of using the Restrictive Practice. **Not the behaviour of concern.**
12. Select the Save hyperlink

Service Outlet Details

Service Outlet:

Episodic Restrictive Practice Usage

☐ Select a previously reported Restrictive Practice type
☐ Physical Restraint - Other - tech 1
☐ Physical Restraint - Other - tech 2
☐ Physical Restraint - Other - tech 3
☒ Add a new Restrictive Practice type
 Physical Restraint

Add Episodic Restrictive Practice Usage - Physical Restraint

Physical Restraint Type: *
 Physical Redirection If other, please specify:

Include deleted items ☐

Start Date	Start Time	End Date	End Time	Location	Behaviour Posing Risk of Harm To Self Or Others	Injury
10/07/2025	15:30	10/07/2025	15:31	Inside whole house	Scratching	Select if this is an injury Harm to client and others

Cancel Save Cancel

Data entry tips

- When entering the date, the year can be shortened to 2 digits. E.g., 13/09/201x can be entered as 13/9/1x
- When entering the time, no “:” is required to separate the hours and minutes. The time is recorded in 24-hour format. E.g., 09:10AM can be entered as 910, or 1:17PM can be recorded as 1317.

Reporting Routine Physical Restraint in ODC is not permitted, and therefore not available as a selectable option.