

## 2010 Federal Election Family Values Checklist

This summarisation of the policy positions of the major parties concerning men as fathers and family values is a sincere attempt to understand the platform of the political parties concerned. We hope this document can be used by those Australians who want to support men as fathers and family values for the sake of the greater good of all Australians, men, women and children. We encourage you to do your own research and then vote for the party of your choice in the 2010 Federal Election. As positions are often difficult to summarise in a format of this kind, and because parties have not always made definitive statements on some of the issues, a '?' indicates a less than conclusive opinion on the party's position.

| Family Values Checklist                                                 | Family First | CDP | Equal Parenting | DLP  | National | Liberal | Labor | Greens |
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| 1. Protect Children - Stop rollback of Equal Shared Parenting Laws      | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | Yes      | Yes     | ?     | No     |
| 2. Establish an office for the status of men and fathers                | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No    | No     |
| 3. Increase funding to promote men's health and wellbeing               | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | ?        | ?       | Yes   | No     |
| 4. Urgently increase funding to reduce men's suicide                    | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No?   | No     |
| 5. End discrimination - Stop anti-male government advertising           | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | ?        | ?       | No    | No     |
| 6. Address the gender inequality in government funding                  | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No    | No     |
| 7. Help Children - Reform or replace Family Law Court & Family Law Act  | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | ?        | ?       | No    | No     |
| 8. Support Families - Reform or replace Child Support Agency            | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | ?        | ?       | No    | No     |
| 9. Increase mentoring programs for boys, men and fathers                | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No    | No     |
| 10. Target 50% male teachers in preschools and schools                  | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No    | No     |
| 11. Urgent attention given to boys' education                           | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No    | No     |
| 12. Support equal paid parental leave for waged & unwaged mothers       | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No    | No     |
| 13. Family impact statement tabled publically in parliament before vote | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes? | No?      | No?     | No?   | No     |
| 14. Increase funding for marriage education voucher system              | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes? | Yes      | Yes     | No    | No     |
| 15. Include marriage training in school curriculum                      | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No    | No     |
| 16. Support Our Children - Teach traditional family values in school    | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | Yes?     | Yes?    | No    | No     |
| 17. Protect children, preserve marriage – Oppose homosexual marriage    | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | Yes      | Yes     | ?     | No     |
| 18. Children first – Refuse IVF for single women and lesbians           | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | Yes?     | Yes?    | No    | No     |
| 19. Children need a mother & father – Prohibit homosexual adoption      | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | Yes?     | Yes?    | No    | No     |
| 20. Preserve the lives of our children – Oppose abortion                | Yes          | Yes | Yes?            | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No    | No     |
| 21. Protect children – Support mandatory ISP filtering of pornography   | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No       | No      | Yes?  | No     |
| 22. Protect women and children – Ban X rated videos                     | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No    | No     |
| 23. Oppose all illicit drugs and fund abstinence based rehabilitation   | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | Yes      | Yes     | No?   | No     |
| 24. Help families - Income splitting for families with children         | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No    | No     |
| 25. Childcare subsidies directed to stay at home mothers/fathers        | Yes          | Yes | Yes             | Yes  | No?      | No?     | No    | No     |