

## THE COAT OF ARMS

The Australian Coat of Arms consists of a shield with the badges of each of the six Australian States. On the left side of the shield stands a red kangaroo and on the right is an emu. Beneath the shield is a scroll with the word 'Australia' written in it. Wattle sprays form a background.

The coat of arms is one of the symbols of Federation. The Commonwealth uses it to identify its authority and property. However, it can also be found in many other places, for example on cricketers' caps and on Australian passports.



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