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COVID UPDATE

Globally, as of 27 August 2021, there have been 214,468,601 confirmed cases of COVID-19, including 4,470,969 deaths, reported to WHO. As of 24 August 2021, a total of 4,953,422,443 vaccine doses have been administered.

In Australia, as of 27 August 2021, there have been 47,840 confirmed cases of COVID-19 with 989 deaths, reported to WHO. As of 21 August 2021, a total of 17,150,654 vaccine doses have been administered.

Travel Exemptions

You are automatically exempt from the travel restrictions & can enter Australia (without obtaining an individual exemption) if you are*:

- An Australian citizen or permanent resident
- A New Zealand citizen usually a resident in Australia & their immediate family members
- A person who has been in New Zealand for 14 days or more, immediately prior to arrival by air in Australia
- A person transiting Australia for 72 hours or less
- Airline crew & maritime crew
- A person under the Government approved Seasonal Worker Program or Pacific Labour Scheme
- A person who holds a Business Innovation & Investment (subclass 188) visa.

* "Limited view" list

Individual Exemptions eligible to apply for a Travel Ban Waiver are*:

- An immediate family member of an Australian citizen & permanent resident
- Sponsored by an employer to work in an occupation on the Priority Migration Skilled Occupation List (PMSOL)
- Travelling for compassionate & compelling reasons
- A student, who is;
 - Taking part in an International Student Arrivals Plan
 - In the final three years of study of a medical degree or final two years of a dental, nursing or allied health profession degree
 - Completing year 11 & 12.

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Occupations added to the Priority Migration Skilled Occupation List (PMSOL)



Since 2 September 2020 DOHA has reviewed & added 44 occupations to the PMSOL, which means that visa applications for these occupations are processed faster. It also means that applications for offshore applicants are processed and once granted you are eligible to apply for the Travel Ban Exemption.

DOHA has shown that they are continually talking with industry bodies & Department of Education, Skills and Employment to create much needed opportunities to industries that are considered essential during COVID-19.



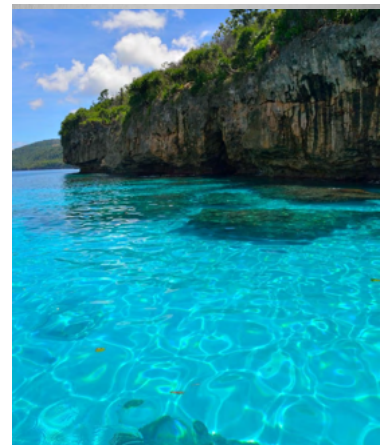
Changes to the Skilled Occupation List seeing some occupations moving to the long term list still have not happened & there is no news on when this will happen.... watch this space.

Did you know...

Christmas Island is an Australian territory in the Indian Ocean, lying south of Java, Indonesia. A national park covers most of the 135-sq-km island.

More than 20 land crab species live on the Island, including an estimated 45 million red crabs, who shape & maintain the health of the island's

unique rainforests. Types of invertebrates include 14 types of snail, 28 types of butterfly, 70 types of moth, 90 types of beetle, 30 types of spider, one species of scorpion & five species of false scorpions. Five native land-based reptiles call Christmas Island home & around 80,000 seabirds nest on the island each year.



Labour Hire Occupations



Our on-hire labour agreement is now able to sponsor ALL occupations on the Skilled Occupations List. If you're looking for independent sponsorship for a 482 visa, we are able to assist! For companies who, for various reasons cannot sponsor directly, you can now start looking at a different talent pool & we can take on the sponsorship obligations. Ask us how this can help you or your company.

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What is a Training (subclass 407) Visa?

This visa allows the applicant to take part in workplace-based training activities to improve skills for your job, field of study or expertise or in a professional development training program in Australia.

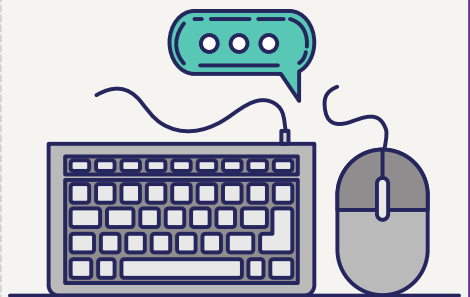
- It is a temporary visa for up to two years, however most applications are submitted for one year.
- Similar to a 482 visa in that it requires you to have a company who is willing to

sponsor & nominate you.

- If you find that you don't meet the qualification & experience criteria for the 482 visa. This visa often offers a pathway to the 482 visa.

Family can be included on your Training Visa, they would need to meet health & character requirements as well. Processing times for visa's at the moment aren't very consistent, much like most other temporary visa

applications historically took six months however we have been seeing a lot of Training Visa applications taking a longer particularly for occupations that aren't on the PMSOL.



MEET ANGE!

Chances are you've already spoken to Ange! Ange joined the team in October 2020 & since then we haven't been short of puppy video's, netball chat & FOOD. Ange is known for buying lots of naughty treats & leaving them in easy to find places!

Ange joins us with a stack of experience within the travel industry & with a keen eye for detail & efficiency, Ange has been kicking goals with helping our clients fulfil their visa dreams.

LABOUR MARKET TESTING

At least three job ads must run for all 482, 494 & 186 visa applications. DOHA updated the legislative requirements a little while ago, so now at least one job ad must be run on the Government supported job website called Job Active. Always keep in mind that job ads must run for the full 28 days before an application can be lodged!

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