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Welcome to the newest edition of our migration update newsletter



- New Permanent Residency Options for sponsored workers
- 482 Residency FAQs
- Temporary Relaxation of working rights for Student & WHV holders
- Aurec Migration Team Update

## 18 March 2022: Changes confirmed for Permanent Residency

New legislation provides opportunity of permanent residency for all sponsored (457 or 482 visa) workers who remained in Australia during the pandemic. This means that sponsored 457 or 482 visa holders with 'short-term' occupations – who remained in Australia during the pandemic – can access the employer nominated permanent residency (Subclass 186).

Australian businesses can nominate any (457 or 482 visa) sponsored employee for permanent residency if the employee was in Australia for at least 12 months between 1 February 2020 and 14 December 2021. The application can be made after the employee has worked with the same business on a sponsored visa for 3 years, or when the 3 years occurs.

Note: Applications can only be lodged from 1 July 2022.



## FAQ's

- Can you lodge from a Bridging Visa Status – if still awaiting a current Visa to be processed: This depends on the new Visa being applied for
- Does time on a BVA processing between two 457/482 Visas held and still with the same company count towards the 3 years: YES
- You must have stayed in the same occupation.
- You must be employed by the same employer for the 3 years.
- Age limit is 45 – at time of application.
- There are still further questions around if your 2 x 482 Visas expire before your eligibility and the industry body is seeking clarification around that.
- Time being "Stood Down" during COVID should not affect the eligibility.

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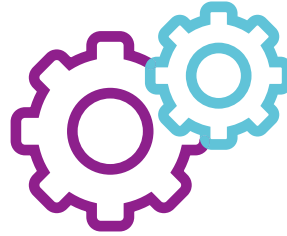
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## Covid Update



The number of arrival trips for March 2022 was 80.7% lower than the pre- COVID level in March 2019. The UK was the largest source country, accounting for 17% of all visitor arrivals.



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.

## Two fun facts we bet you didn't know!

90% of  
Australians live  
on the coast

The Australian  
Alps get more  
snow than the  
Swiss Alps



Relaxation of working hours for working holiday & student visa holders were meant to be revisited in April 2022, but no updates on when this will cease...watch this space...

## MEET OUR NEW TEAM MEMBERS



### Rafael

We had the pleasure of welcoming Rafael to our team this April. Rafael previously worked as a Lawyer in Brazil and is currently finalising his studies to become a Registered Migration Agent so watch this space..... When he's not Studying you will find Raf at the Beach, Surfing, or hosting a Brazilian BBQ with Picanha (if you don't know , you don't know)! We have now been lucky enough to have become accustomed to the Brigadeiro – a chocolate Brazilian treat! He has been in Australia for over 6 years and loves travel.

We're excited with what Raf will bring to the team and our clients in both his life experiences and migration knowledge. If you haven't already there's a great chance you'll receive a LinkedIn request from Rafael.



### Monika

April was a great month for the team at Aurec Migration as we also welcomed Monika. It was clear very early on that Mon is super competitive, everything is and can be a competition. Monika is highly organised and takes much pride in successfully completing a task or challenge and does it with grace.

Along with fierce administration and organisation skills, Mon brings much fun and laughter to our team. We are pleased that Mon also shares the love of great food with the rest of our team and never shies away from Crepe Fridays! Monika has a background as an Education Consultant and plenty of exposure to Visas over the past few years. Aurec Migration is very excited to have gained our newest team member.



### Jo

Fast forward to the month of June and it brought us Jo! Jo was a Registered Migration Agent for over 10 years previously, and has recently returned back from the UK after a few years back home. Having worked previously with Kelly, she has experience in Business visas, the Labour Agreement and the ways of the Migration World. Her wealth of knowledge, banter and brains means we will be kept on our toes and will ensure all clients that we are evolving and growing to ensure we deliver world class migration services.