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Newfoundland & Labrador – International Entrepreneur Stream

Establish, purchase, or manage a business in Newfoundland & Labrador and pursue a pathway to Canadian Permanent Residency.

INVESTMENT FROM

CAD 200,000

TIMELINE

20 months

FAMILY

Spouse, children up to
age 22

At a glance

COUNTRY Canada	ROUTE Residency by Investment - Entrepreneur / Business Establishment
MINIMUM INVESTMENT CAD 200,000	TIMELINE 20 months
FAMILY MEMBERS Spouse, children up to age 22	LAST UPDATED 1 October 2026

Overview

The **Newfoundland & Labrador International Entrepreneur Stream** provides a pathway for experienced business owners and senior managers to obtain **Canadian Permanent Residency (PR)** by investing and actively managing a business in the province.

Applicants can **start a new business or purchase an existing one**, with a minimum investment of **\$200,000 CAD**. This program is designed to attract individuals with strong business acumen who can contribute to Newfoundland's economic growth while building a long-term life in Canada.

Investment Overview

Eligible applicants must invest a minimum of **\$200,000 CAD** in a **new or existing business** located in Newfoundland & Labrador. They must also demonstrate a **net worth of at least \$600,000 CAD**, verified by an authorized third-party firm. Applicants sign a **Business Performance Agreement** outlining specific obligations such as investment level, job creation, and active business management.

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Newfoundland and Labrador PNP

Newfoundland and Labrador, the easternmost province in Canada, is made of two separate islands. The province is renowned for its rich culture, stable economy and gorgeous natural scenery. Newfoundland and Labrador's dramatic coastlines, towering cliffs, and picturesque fishing villages captivate visitors and residents alike.

The Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Nominee Program (NL PNP) is designed to attract skilled workers, entrepreneurs, and international graduates who wish to live and work there. This program allows the province to nominate individuals with the skills and experience to contribute to the local economy and community. Nominees who meet the program criteria may receive a provincial nomination certificate, which can be used to apply for permanent residency in Canada through the federal government's Express Entry system or the Provincial Nominee Program stream. Let us get into further detail about the NL PNP immigration program.

Newfoundland and Labrador immigration

Newfoundland and Labrador immigration opportunities are abundant with the NLPNP immigration stream, officially known as the Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Nominee Program. This Program attracts skilled workers, entrepreneurs, and international graduates to contribute to the province's economy and community.

Applicants can apply for various streams specific to their qualifications and experience. Successful candidates who receive a nomination through the NLPNP immigration pathway can even apply for permanent residency in Canada. In the end, the NL Provincial Nominee Program immigration offers a promising pathway for individuals with extraordinary skills seeking new opportunities and a vibrant lifestyle in this beautiful Canadian province.

Express Entry Skilled Worker – Under this category, your profile must be in the Express Entry pool already. If you have a job offer from an organization in Newfoundland and Labrador then you receive a nomination from the province enabling you to apply for the Canadian Permanent Residency Visa.

Skilled Worker – If you are already working in this province or are having a work permit or have a guaranteed offer of employment from a Newfoundland and Labrador employer then you are eligible for nomination under this category. After you receive your nomination, your profile is forwarded to the Express Entry program to proceed with the PR process.

Newfoundland and Labrador PNP Express Entry

For exceptionally skilled applicants, the NLPNP Express Entry is one of the fastest and most efficient pathways to PR. If your skills align with the labour market's demands for that skill, the chances of you being nominated and receiving an invitation to apply for a PR increase significantly.

This stream is aligned with the federal Express Entry System, which manages applications for three federal economic immigration programs: the Federal Skilled Worker Program, the Federal Skilled Trades Program, and the Canadian Experience Class.

Which virtually guarantees their invitation to apply for Canadian permanent residency in the Subsequent Express Entry draw.

Newfoundland and Labrador PNP Immigration Program Fees, Requirements, Eligibility, Processing Time

Generally, most applicants applying to the NLPNP must pay a processing fee. This fee usually covers the cost of assessing and processing the application.

The general eligibility criteria for the Newfoundland and Labrador and PNP is as follows:

- Have a full-time job or job offer from an eligible Newfoundland and Labrador employer with a salary that meets provincial employment standards
- Have the qualifications, training, skills, or accreditation required for the job.
- Demonstrate the intention and ability to settle permanently in NL including their family members.
- Present that they have sufficient settlement funds and financial resources to take care of themselves in NL.
- If the candidate owns a stake in the business in which they are employed, their share of ownership cannot exceed more than 10 per cent. This does not apply to selected Entrepreneurs.
- Applicants must submit a valid language proficiency test in their NLPNP application.

Connect with Newfoundland and Labrador Immigration Consultants

Here at XIPHIAS, we prioritize customer satisfaction. Therefore our Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Nominee Program consultants will make sure you have the most effortless immigration journey possible. Our professional team of consultants will promptly answer all your queries and provide visibly advantageous insights to streamline your application process. Whether you are seeking guidance on eligibility criteria or require assistance with the application submission, our immigration experts will ensure that your journey to Newfoundland and Labrador is enhanced significantly.

Our Newfoundland And Labrador PNP Immigration Consultants will reply your inquiry within 48 hours and provide you with FREE phone Consultation Service.

Key benefits

- Start or buy a business in Newfoundland and Labrador with a clear path to permanent residency.
- Open to experienced business owners and senior managers.
- Include your spouse and children with full work and study rights.
- Live in a scenic and welcoming province with strong economic opportunities.

When this route may not fit

- Passive or real estate-based investments.
- Unapproved franchise or resale businesses.
- Lack of active management or residency.
- Failure to meet job creation or business targets.

Funds to show

Requirement	Amount	Notes
Proof of Net Worth	CAD 600,000	Verified through a designated third-party financial verification service.

How the process works

- 1 Submit Expression of Interest (EOI)**
Register and submit your EOI through the Newfoundland and Labrador immigration portal.
- 2 Receive Invitation to Apply**
Top-ranked candidates receive an invitation to submit a full application.
- 3 Attend Interview**
Attend an in-person interview to discuss your business plan and experience.

4

Sign Business Performance Agreement

Outline your investment and management obligations before starting the business.

5

Apply for Work Permit

Obtain a temporary work permit to operate your business in the province.

6

Apply for PR Nomination

After meeting all terms, apply for nomination and Canadian permanent residency.

Document checklist

Identity & Civil

- Valid passport and civil status certificates
- Marriage certificate (if applicable)
- Birth certificates for dependents

Financial & Business

- Proof of net worth and third-party verification
- Business ownership documents
- Financial statements and bank records

Language & Education

- Language test results (IELTS, CELPIP, or TEF)
- Education credentials (if applicable)

Questions clients ask

Who is eligible for the Newfoundland Entrepreneur Stream?

Business owners or senior managers with required experience, net worth, and investment capacity.

Can I buy an existing business?

Yes, you can purchase a business that meets Newfoundland and Labrador's eligibility criteria.

Can my family work or study in Canada?

Yes, your spouse and dependent children can live, work, and study in Canada.

When can I apply for PR?

You may apply after operating your business successfully and fulfilling program conditions.

Important notes

- Applicants must operate the business for a minimum period before PR nomination.
- Delays may occur if performance or residency terms are not met.

Official sources: Government of Newfoundland and Labrador — International Entrepreneur Category.



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Plan your Canada application with our Dubai team

Tell us about your profile, family and timeline. We will confirm whether **Newfoundland & Labrador – International Entrepreneur Stream** fits, set out the full cost in writing and manage the application with you from start to finish.

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