

PROGRAMME BROCHURE

RESIDENCY BY INVESTMENT | CANADA

Prince Edward Island Work Permit Stream

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INVESTMENT FROM

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TIMELINE

18 months

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At a glance

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Overview

The **Prince Edward Island (PEI) Work Permit Stream** allows experienced entrepreneurs to start or manage a business in PEI and gain **Canadian Permanent Residency**. It's designed for investors ready to actively run a business in one of Canada's most business-friendly provinces.

Program Highlights

- PR pathway through business investment in PEI
- Minimum investment: CAD $150,000, with at least 33.33% ownership
- Minimum net worth: CAD $600,000 (verified)
- No refundable deposit required
- Family can live, work, and study in PEI
- Government support for business setup and settlement

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Immigration Prince Edward Island, Canada

If you are seeking excellent career opportunities while being able to provide for your family, immigrating to Prince Edward Island, Canada, might just be the best option for you! It might be the smallest Canadian province, but the lifestyle that it offers must not be underestimated in any way!

Prince Edward Island boasts breathtaking scenic beauty, clean air, and strong communities, which highly improves one's quality of life. Despite its size, it's bustling with economic opportunities such as fisheries, technology, and agriculture. If this is not enough to convince you of the greatness of PEI Canada Immigration, the housing in PEI is far more affordable than in other larger cities!

There are plenty of business opportunities in Prince Edward Island to support immigrants who wish to set up their businesses there. In this short, we will discuss the Prince Edward Island Immigration Visa Programs.

Prince Edward Island Business Investment Programs

The Government of PEI has always been keen on introducing attractive programs that mutually benefit investors, skilled workers, entrepreneurs, and the local economy. Some of these amazing programs include:

- Edward Island Provincial Nominee Program (PEI PNP) offers various streams for entrepreneurs, skilled workers, and graduates who wish to settle in PEI and contribute to its economy.
- Immigration Pilot Program (AIPP): This is a federal immigration program that addresses labour market needs in Atlantic Canada, including PEI.
- Investment Fund Programs: The PEI Government offers various investment funds and incentives to support economic development and business growth. The PEI Investment Visa includes funds for business expansion, innovation, research and development, export development, and job creation.

What is Prince Edward Island PNP Immigration program?

Now let us shed light on the PEI PNP Program. Or to be specific the Prince Edward Island Provincial Nominee Program. To ensure economic welfare, the Prince Edward Island PNP Program was introduced in 2001. This program is mainly for immigrants who have extensive business ownership or management experience and would like to own and operate their own business in PEI. More than 2000 immigrants enter each year into the PEI province, after the introduction of the PEI PNP. The number is expected to grow higher in the coming years.

The PEI PNP has 3 categories, one enhanced and two base. The enhanced category is called the PEI PNP Express Entry category and the base categories are the Labour Impact and Business Impact categories.

The Canadian Express Entry system is used to manage PR applications through Canada’s main socio-economic class immigration programs. When a candidate is in the Express Entry pool, they are given a score based on the rules set by the Comprehensive Ranking System (CRS) used by the Federal Express Entry System. The Express Entry draws happen frequently, where they invite some of the highest-ranking persons to apply for PR.

But for the immigrations not aligning with the Express Entry system, they are categorized under the Base streams. It is mainly for candidates who get a provincial nomination and need to apply directly to Immigration Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC).

Prince Edward Island PNP Program Eligibility, Investment Cost and Processing Time

To be eligible for the Prince Edward Island Provincial Nominee Program, there are a few criteria that you will need to fulfill for a smooth application process. The criteria include:

- A minimum level of education is equivalent to a secondary school in Canada.
- Having management experience or business ownership experience.
- They intend to live, work, and manage their business daily.

The processing time can vary for each person depending on how they intend to fulfill the criteria and which stream or category they apply to. But on average, the Prince Edward Island Provincial Nominee

How do I apply for PEI PNP Program?

If you are eligible as per the above criteria then,

- You must first read the Business Application Guide
- Your profile must be created in the PEI’s Expression of Interest system

- A verification will be done
- Post verification, you need to go ahead and complete your profile creation.

You need to provide accurate verifiable information. On any occurrence where there might be a change in information or status of yours post application, you need to submit relevant documents as is needed.

Expression of Interest is only an indication of your interest to move and do business in PEI. It is not an application. You will receive an email notification inviting you to apply. This email will have information which include your file number and instructions about how to submit your file.

The complete application package which includes the application and supporting documentation along with application fee can be submitted to the immigration office either in person or by post.

Once you receive your nomination from PEI PNP, you will have to submit your application for Permanent Residency Status to the IRCC. Your application should include your nomination certificate.

XIPHIAS Immigration will stand by you and represent your case with IRCC for a smooth process of your PEI Business Investment Immigration PR Visa.

to Expedite the Process, Meet with Our Team of Immigration Consultants Specializing in Prince Edward Island, Canada, from Dubai, UAE.

We hope the above pieces of information answer all of the questions you have related to Prince Edward Island Immigration. If not then we, at XIPHIAS, will make sure you have the most effortless experience with your PEI application. Our experienced team of PEI consultants will guide you through every step of the process.

From the beginning to the final submission, our Prince Edward Island Consultants will optimize your application so that you have the maximum chance of success. Connect with us today and find out more on PEI Canada Immigration from Dubai UAE or Abu Dhabi!

When this route may not fit

- Failure to meet language proficiency (CLB 4).
- Insufficient business ownership or management experience.
- Inability to verify net worth or investment source.
- Failure to meet Performance Agreement terms.

Funds to show

Requirement	Amount	Notes
Verified net worth	CAD 600,000	Legally obtained and verified, plus settlement funds for your family size.

How the process works

1. **Check Eligibility**
   Meet PEI's investment, experience, and language requirements.
2. **Submit EOI**
   Create and submit your Expression of Interest.
3. **Receive ITA & Apply**
   Submit your full application and supporting documents by the deadline in your invitation.
4. **Attend Interview & Sign Agreement**
   Present your business plan and sign the Performance Agreement.
5. **Obtain Work Permit**
   Apply for a work permit using the PEI Letter of Support.
6. **Establish Business & Get Nomination**
   Start your business in PEI and apply for PR after meeting program terms.

Questions clients ask

What is the minimum investment required?
At least CAD $150,000 with 33.33% ownership in a PEI business.

Do I need to live in PEI?
Yes, you must reside and actively manage your business.

Is there a deposit?
No, PEI's Work Permit Stream is performance-based, not deposit-based.

When can I apply for PR?
After fulfilling the Performance Agreement and receiving provincial nomination.

What are the language requirements?
Minimum CLB 4 in English or French.

Official sources: Government of Prince Edward Island — PEI PNP Work Permit Stream.



NEXT STEP

Plan your Canada application with our Dubai team

Tell us about your profile, family and timeline. We will confirm whether **Prince Edward Island Work Permit Stream** fits, set out the full cost in writing and manage the application with you from start to finish.

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