

AUSTRALIA SKILLED MIGRATION

Australia

Skilled Migration

Australia's skilled migration offers pathways to Permanent Residency (PR) through points-tested and employer-sponsored visas like Subclass 189, 190, 491, 186, 187, and 858.

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65+

POINTS THRESHOLD

189/190

PR ROUTES

491

REGIONAL OPTION

858

INNOVATION VISA

Prepared for skilled professionals planning Australia PR

Why Australia

Overview

Australia remains one of the top destinations for skilled professionals seeking permanent residency. The country's General Skilled Migration (GSM) framework operates on a transparent, points-based system that prioritizes education, skilled work experience, and English proficiency. Through key visa subclasses such as Subclass 189 (Skilled Independent Visa), Subclass 190 (Skilled Nominated Visa), Subclass 491 (Skilled Work Regional Visa), Subclass 186 (Employer Nomination Scheme), Subclass 187 (Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme), and Subclass 858 (Global Talent Visa), qualified individuals can secure...

Key advantages

- Transparent, points-tested selection under the GSM framework...
- Options for state nomination and regional migration...
- PR with spouse and dependents included...
- Recognized qualifications through Skills Assessment...
- Faster processing for in-demand occupations...

Points-based pathways

A structured route for skilled professionals, families, and globally mobile talent.

Capital
Canberra

Language
English

Currency
AUD

System
SkillSelect

Australia Skilled Visa Pathways

Subclass 189

Skilled Independent PR

Points-tested permanent residence for invited skilled applicants without employer, state, or territory sponsorship.

Subclass 190

Skilled Nominated PR

Permanent residence through state or territory nomination for profiles aligned with local skills demand.

Subclass 491

Skilled Work Regional

Regional provisional pathway for nominated or family-sponsored skilled workers, with a PR route through Subclass 191.

Subclass 186

Employer Nomination Scheme

Employer-sponsored permanent residence for skilled professionals nominated for approved full-time roles.

Subclass 187

Regional Sponsored - Transitional

Closed to most new applicants; transitional RSMS cases remain relevant for eligible 457/482 workers.

Subclass 858

National Innovation Visa

Invitation-led permanent visa for exceptional talent, researchers, entrepreneurs, investors, athletes, and creatives.

Advisory note

Visa criteria, occupation lists, fees, invitation rounds, and stream availability change frequently. XIPHIAS maps the right route after checking your profile, evidence, and current policy position.

Process & Contact

How the process works

1

Profile review

Assess age, occupation, points, work history, language, family, and route fit....

2

Evidence plan

Map skills assessment, English tests, employment proof, and civil documents....

3

EOI or nomination

Prepare SkillSelect, state nomination, employer sponsorship, or NIV invitation strategy....

4

Visa lodgement

Submit the application with complete documentation, declarations, and fee guidance....

5

Decision support

Track health, character, biometrics, further requests, and post-grant planning....

Why XIPHIAS

At Xiphias Immigration, we specialize in Australia's skilled migration pathways. Our experts assist with Skills Assessment, EOI profile creation, and PR documentation, ensuring compliance with every step of the Australian Department of Home Affairs. With an outstanding success rate and personalized strategy, Xiphias helps you secure your Australian PR faster and more confidently.

Checklist focus

- Skills assessment and occupation alignment...
- English test and points strategy...
- EOI, nomination, employer, or innovation route...
- Family, health, character, and settlement documents...

Sources checked: Department of Home Affairs: Skilled Independent visa (subclass 189); Department of Home Affairs: Skilled Nominated visa (subclass 190); Department of Home Affairs: Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) visa (subclass 491); Department of Home Affairs: Employer Nomination Scheme visa (subclass 186); Department of Home Affairs: Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme (subclass 187); Department of Home Affairs: National Innovation visa (subclass 858)....

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