Skilled visas & pathways to permanent residency

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Victorian visa nomination for skilled migrants – We can support you to make Victoria home

Victoria offers skilled migrants diverse career opportunities and an exceptional quality of life.

Melbourne, the capital of Victoria, consistently ranks among the world's most liveable cities and is renowned for its cosmopolitan culture, welcoming communities, world-class education and healthcare services. Victoria's robust economy offers a wide range of career opportunities along with work-life balance that ranks among the best globally. From vibrant arts and culture to clean, green outdoors to stunning coastlines and national parks, there is so much to discover in Victoria.

The Victorian Government supports skilled migrants seeking to live and work in Victoria by providing free visa nomination.

What is skilled visa nomination?

Visa nomination from a state or territory government is a mandatory requirement for the skilled nominated visa (subclass 190) and the skilled work regional visa (subclass 491).

The Victorian Government offers visa nomination to skilled migrants with skill sets that can make a significant contribution to the Victorian economy and the global competitiveness of our industries.

When a state or territory government nominates you for a skilled visa, it indicates to the Australian Government's Department of Home Affairs that your skills are needed in their region.

Victoria's visa nomination program:

- Adds extra points to your Australian visa application points test (5 points for subclass 190, 15 points for subclass 491).
- Is entirely cost-free.
- Does not require a job or employer sponsorship.
- Provides unrestricted work rights in accordance with visa conditions.
- Offers pathway to permanent residency.

Skilled Visa Nomination

The Victorian Government provides skilled visa nomination for the following visas:

Skilled Nominated Visa
(subclass 190)

This is a permanent visa that allows skilled migrants to reside and work anywhere within Victoria, including Melbourne.

Skilled Regional (Provisional) Visa
(subclass 491)

This is a five-year provisional visa for living and working in regional Victoria, with a pathway to permanent residency.

Both pathways:

- **Do not require you to have employment in Victoria before you arrive.**

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Am I eligible?

To apply for Victorian skilled visa nomination, you must meet the following criteria:

- Achieve a minimum of **65 points** on the Australian Government's points test for your Expression of Interest (EOI) in SkillSelect
- Have a valid **Skills Assessment** in an occupation listed on the **eligible skilled occupations list**
- Have at least **Competent English** proficiency
- Have your **Registration of Interest** (ROI) selected by the Victorian Government
- Be under 45 years of age
- Be committed to living in Victoria

You'll need a valid Skills Assessment and English test before applying.

How do I apply for a Victorian visa nomination?

	1 → Expression of Interest (EOI)	2 → Registration of Interest (ROI)	3 → Nomination Application	4 ✓ Visa application
What you need to do.	Submit your EOI online to the Australian Government's **Department of Home Affairs** through **SkillSelect**.	a) Create an account on the **Live in Melbourne portal.** b) Use your EOI number from **SkillSelect** to submit your Registration of Interest (ROI) for Victorian nomination through the **Live in Melbourne portal**.	If selected by the Victorian Government, submit an application for Victorian visa nomination through the **Live in Melbourne portal**.	If your Victorian visa nomination application is approved, apply for a visa with the **Department of Home Affairs.** They will assess your application and make a visa decision.
Approximately, how long will it take you to complete?	30 mins	Less than 10 mins	Less than 15 mins	1 hour
Our processing time	Instant	Within the program year	Approx. 20 business days	Varies – check the **Department of Home Affairs website** for the latest processing time
What notifications to expect from us	SkillSelect EOI number	Invitation to submit the nomination application (if ROI is selected)	Approval email and invitation from SkillSelect to submit your visa application (If you are nominated)	An email from the Australian Government with visa application outcome
How long is it valid before it expires?	2 years	For the duration of the program year	60 days	Must enter Australia before the date on your visa grant letter
What is the fee?	Free	Free	Free	**AUD 4,770.00**
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Information is subject to change. For the latest updates and additional details:

Victorian visa nomination:
liveinmelbourne.vic.gov.au/migrate/skilled-migration-visas

Australian visas and immigration:
homeaffairs.gov.au

Application assistance:
immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/help-support/who-can-help-with-your-application/overview

Contact us → https://liveinmelbourne.vic.gov.au/migrate/skilled-migration-visas