

Sydney and Selected Areas Skilled Shortage List (SSASSL)

On the 8th of September DIMIA released a new restriction upon the Skilled Australian Sponsored 138 visa.

Please note these new changes do not apply to the Overseas Student Skilled Australian Sponsored 881 visa.

From now on if your sponsor lives in designated listed area called the Sydney and Selected Areas Skilled Shortage List (SSASSL) the visa applicant must nominate an occupation which is on this list. Effectively this drastically reduces the number of occupations which are available to be nominated, compared to the Skilled Occupation List (SOL).

If your sponsor does not live in one of the post code areas listed below then the applicant can nominate any occupation from the SOL as they have always been able to do.

DIMIA has published a range of post codes (see below). If your sponsor lives within the range of these post codes then the applicant can only make a valid application for the 138 visa if you have a positive skills assessment for one of the occupations on the SSASSL (see below).

Selected Area Postcodes

If the Australian Sponsor lives in an area covered in these postcodes (below) then they can only sponsor their relative if an applicant has a positive skill assessment in an occupation mentioned on the SSASSL.

AREA	POSTCODE AREAS
Sydney	1000-1920; 2000-2249; 2555-2574 2740-2786
Gosford Area	2250-2263
Newcastle	2264-2279; 2280-2300; 2302-2310
Wollongong	2500-2530

SSASSL List of Occupations

OCCUPATION	ASCO CODE
MANAGERS AND ADMINISTRATORS	
Child Care Co-ordinator	1295-11
General Manager	1112-11
PROFESSIONALS	
Business and Information Professionals	
Accountant	2211-11
Accountant – Corporate Treasurer	2213-11
Accountant – External Auditor	2212-11
Accountant – Internal Auditor	2212-13
Computing Professionals –	
- Application and Analyst Programmer	2231-17
- Computer Systems Auditor	2231-21
- Not elsewhere classified	2231-79
- Software Designer	2231-15
- Systems Designer	2231-13
- Systems Manager	2231-11
- Systems Programmer	2231-19
Health Professionals	
Audiologist	2399-11
Dentist	2381-11
Medical Practitioners –	
- Anaesthetist	2312-11
- Emergency Medicine Specialist	2312-15
- General Medical Practitioner	2311-11
- Obstetrician & Gynaecologist	2312-17
- Psychiatrist	2312-27
- Surgeon	2312-31

Nurse –	
- Registered Mental Health Nurse	2325-11
- Registered Midwife	2324-11
- Registered Nurse	2323-11
Occupational Therapist	2383-11
Pharmacist – Hospital Pharmacist	2382-11
Pharmacist – Industrial Pharmacist	2382-13
Pharmacist – Retail Pharmacist	2382-15
Physiotherapist	2385-11
Podiatrist	2388-11
Radiographer –	
- Medical Diagnostic Radiographer	2391-11
- Nuclear Medicine Technologist	2391-15
- Radiation Therapist	2391-13
Sonographer	2391-17
Speech Pathologist	2386-11
Education Professionals	
Secondary School Teacher	2413-11
Artists and Related Professionals	
Graphic Designer	2533-13
Illustrator	2533-19
Science, Building and Engineering Professionals	
Engineer – Aeronautical	2129-11
Engineer – Civil Engineer	2124-11
Engineer – Electrical Engineer	2125-11
Associate Professionals	
Chef	3322-11
Tradesperson and Related Workers	
Engineering Trades	
Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (AME) -	
- (AME) Avionics	4114-15
- (AME) Mechanical	4114-11

- (AME) Structures	4114-13	Supervisor-Electronic and Office Equipment Tradesperson	Supervisor – Hairdresser	4931-01
- (AME) Supervisor	4114-01			
Fitter	4112-11	Refrigeration and Air-conditioning Mechanic		
Metal Machinist (First Class)	4112-13	Construction Trades		
Supervisor Metal Fitters and Machinists	4112-01	Bricklayer		
Metal Fabricator (Boilermaker)	4122-11	Supervisor – Bricklayer		
Pressure Welder	4122-13	Carpenter		
Sheetmetal Worker (First Class)	4124-11	Carpenter and Joiner		
Supervisor – Sheetmetal Tradesperson	4124-01	Joiner		
Textiles, Clothing or Footwear Mechanic	4112-15	Supervisor – Carpentry and Joinery Tradesperson		
Toolmaker	4113-11	Fibrous Plasterer		
Supervisor – Toolmaker	4113-01	Supervisor - Fibrous Plasterer		
Supervisor Structural Steel and Welding	4122-01	Drainer		
Welder (First Class)	4122-15	Gasfitter		
Vehicle Trades		General Plumber		
Automotive Electrician	4212-11	Mechanical Services and Air-conditioning Plumber		
Supervisor – Automotive Electrician	4212-01	Roof Plumber		
Motor Mechanic	4211-11	Supervisor – Plumber		
Supervisor - Motor Mechanic	4211-01	Solid Plasterer		
Panel Beater	4213-11	Supervisor - Solid Plasterer		
Supervisor - Panel Beater	4213-01	Wood Trades		
Vehicle Painter	4214-11	Cabinetmaker		
Supervisor – Vehicle Painter	4214-01	Supervisor – Cabinetmaker		
Electrical Trades		Wood Turner		
Communications Linesperson	4316-13	Food Trades		
Supervisor – Communications Tradesperson	4316-01	Baker		
General Communications Tradesperson	4316-11	Pastry cook		
General Electrician	4311-11	Supervisor - Bakers and Pastry cook		
Lift Mechanic	4311-15	Cook		
Electrician (Special Class)	4311-13	Other Trades		
Supervisor – Electrician	4311-01	Furniture Upholsterer		
Electronic Equipment Tradesperson	4315-11	Hairdresser		