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Victoria suspends some state sponsorship applications & Queensland changes its occupation lists for the 487 & 886 visas



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Dear Students

Welcome to the latest edition of IMMIGRATION NEWS and welcome to the new subscribers.

Feel free to e-mail this newsletter to any of your friends.

I have been overseas for a couple of weeks so there has been a slight gap between editions.

Victoria Suspends PR Sponsorship Processing for Trade Occupations

Victoria has just recently announced that it has suspended processing applications for state sponsorship approvals from students who have studied trade courses in Australia. This suspension covers all ASCO Level 4 trade occupations, Cooks, Hairdressers, Pasty Cooks, Air Conditioning Mechanics, etc.

This news does not relate to other professional occupations, in particular Dental Technicians who are not under this ASCO level.

The letter below is reproduced from the "Workforce Victoria" which has been forwarded to migration agents by the MIA;

"On 29 January 2009 the Victorian Government was informed by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) that a number of organisations are under investigation by DIAC in relation to work references and education certificates.

As a consequence, until DIAC's investigation is finalised, the Victorian Skilled and Business Migration Program has suspended the processing of all applications for the Skilled - Sponsored (Residence) (subclass 886) Program for ASCO 4 occupations.

In the meantime, you may wish to visit the Department of Immigration's website (www.immi.gov.au) to consider the full range of alternative visa pathways.

Kind regards,

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Queensland State Sponsorship Delays and New Lists

While other states like WA and Victoria seem to be intent on reducing their state sponsored migration intake, Queensland is actually opening its doors wider.

Recently they have published new lists (see blow) adding many more occupations to their permanent residency sponsorship (886) but reducing the occupations for the temporary sponsorship visas (487 & 475).

The QLD government has also released a statement that it is experiencing significant delays in processing state sponsorship applications so it is wise for students to lodge their 485 visa applications before their student visa expires.

PR List (886 visa)

The occupations which are new to the list have been **highlighted in yellow**. Many of the trade and IT occupations that were on the TR list have now been promoted to the PR list.

Skilled sponsored occupation list (as of the 28th Feb 2009)

1222-13 Production Manager (Mining)
2122-11 Quantity Surveyors
2124-11 Civil Engineer
2127-11 Mining Engineer (excl. Petroleum)
2127-13 Petroleum Engineer
2126-11 Mechanical Engineer
2129-17 Chemical Engineer

2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in .net technologies
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising GIS
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising Hp ux
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising Linux
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising Solaris
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in c++/c#/c
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in cissp
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in data warehousing
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in j2ee
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in java
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in java script
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in networking and internet security
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in oracle
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in peoplesoft
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in sap
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in siebel (esp. siebel analytic)
2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in Sybase sql server

2231-79 Computing Professionals Specialising in Unix
 2311-11 General Medical Practitioner
 2323-11 Registered Nurses
 2324-11 Registered Midwife
 2382-11 Hospital Pharmacist
 2382-15 Retail Pharmacist
 2384-11 Optometrist
 2385-11 Physiotherapists
 2391-11 Medical Diagnostic Radiographer
 2391-13 Radiation Therapist
 2391-15 Nuclear Medicine Technologist
 2391-17 Sonographer
 2413-11 Secondary school teacher - manual arts/industrial design
 2413-11 Secondary school teacher - mathematics
 2413-11 Secondary school teacher - science
 2523-11 Urban and Regional Planner (town planning degree and five years work experience)
 2543-13 Environmental Health Officer
 3121-11 Building Associate
 3121-13 Architectural Associate
 3122-11 Civil Engineering Associate
 3122-13 Civil Engineering Technician
 3125-11 Mechanical Engineering Associate
 3125-13 Mechanical Engineering Technician
 3322-11 Chef
 4112-11 Fitter
 4112-13 Metal Machinist (First Class)
 4122-11 Metal Fabricator
 4122-13 Pressure Welder
 4122-15 Welder (First Class)
 4124-11 Sheet metal Worker (First Class)
 4211-11 Motor Mechanic
 4212-11 Automotive Electrician
 4213-11 Panel Beater
 4311-11 General Electrician
 4311-13 Electrician (Special Class)
 4312-11 Refrigeration and Air conditioning Mechanic
 4411-11 Carpenter and Joiner
 4411-13 Carpenter
 4411-15 Joiner
 4412-11 Fibrous Plasterer
 4415-11 Solid Plasterer
 4416-11 Wall and Floor Tiler
 4416-13 Stonemason
 4423-11 Floor Finisher
 4512-11 Baker
 4512-13 Pastry cook
 4513-11 Cook

** As special note needs to be made here regarding 2231-79 Computer Professionals (nec). It was observed on the 16th February 2009 this occupation was on the QLD PR list which was just released at that time. You will notice on this new list which was last updated the 25th Feb 09, this occupation has now been removed. We believe the QLD government included this occupation in error and have now corrected that mistake.

Occupations removed from this list are as follows;

2112-11 Geologist
 2112-13 Geophysicist
 2126-13 Production and Plant Engineers

2381-11 Dentist (now on TR list only)

2385-11 Physiotherapist

4314-11 General Electronic Instrument Tradesperson (TR list)

4314-13 Electronic Instrument Tradesperson (Special Class) (TR list)

4431-11 General Plumber (now on TR List only)

4922-11 Cabinetmaker

4431-13 Gasfitter (now on TR list only)

Those highlighted in green have been moved to the TR list and those not highlighted have been removed altogether

TR List (487 & 475)

Skilled regional sponsored occupation list (as of the 28th Feb 09)

Those occupations new to the list are highlighted in yellow

1191-11 Construction Project Manager

1191-13 Project Builder

1224-11 Information Technology Manager

2121-11 Architect

2123-13 Surveyor

2125-11 Electrical Engineer

2125-13 Electronics Engineer

2127-15 Materials Engineer

2129-11 Aeronautical Engineer

2129-15 Biomedical Engineer

2129-19 Industrial Engineer

2211-11 Accountant

2221-15 Market Research Analyst

2221-17 Advertising Specialist

2231-11 Systems Manager

2231-13 Systems Designer

2231-15 Software Designer

2231-17 Applications and Analyst Programmer

2231-19 Systems Programmer

2231-21 Computer Systems Auditor

2312-11 Medical Practitioner - Anaesthetist

2312-13 Medical Practitioner - Dermatologist

2312-15 Medical Practitioner - Emergency Medical Specialist

2312-17 Medical Practitioner - Obstetrician and Gynaecologist

2312-19 Medical Practitioner - Ophthalmologist

2312-21 Medical Practitioner - Paediatrician

2312-23 Medical Practitioner - Pathologist

2312-25 Medical Practitioner - Specialist Physician

2312-27 Medical Practitioner - Psychiatrist

2312-29 Medical Practitioner - Radiologist

2312-31 Medical Practitioner - Surgeon

2312-79 Medical Practitioner - Specialist Medical Practitioner (nec)

2325-11 Registered Mental Health Nurse

2326-11 Registered Developmental Disability Nurse [only one demand indicator]

2381-11 Dentist

2381-13 Dental Specialist

2382-13 Industrial Pharmacist

2383-11 Occupational Therapist

2386-11 Speech Pathologist

2388-11 Podiatrist

2393-11 Dietitian

2411-11 Pre Primary School Teachers

2422-11 Vocational Education Teacher
 2511-11 Social Workers
 2512-11 Welfare Worker
 2512-13 Community Worker
 2514-11 Clinical Psychologists
 2514-13 Educational Psychologists
 2514-15 Organisational Psychologists
 2514-79 Psychologist
 2521-11 Legal Practitioner - Barrister
 2521-13 Legal Practitioner - Solicitor
 2523-11 Urban and Regional Planner (relevant degree and some work experience)
 3121-15 Surveying and Cartographic Associate
 3121-21 Plumbing Engineering Associate
 3129-15 Mine Deputy
 3294-11 Computing Support Technician
 3421-11 Parole or Probation Officer
 3421-13 Youth Worker
 3421-15 Residential Care Officer
 3421-17 Disability Services Officer
 3421-19 Family Support Worker
 3491-11 Ambulance Officer
 3491-13 Intensive Ambulance Paramedic
 4114-11 Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (Mechanical)
 4114-13 Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (Structures)
 4114-15 Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (Avionics)
 4115-15 Locksmith
 4214-11 Vehicle Painter
 4313-11 Electrical Powerline Tradespersons
 4314-11 General Electronic Instrument Tradesperson
 4314-13 Electronic Instrument Tradesperson
 4413-11 Roof Slater and Tiler
 4414-11 Bricklayer
 4421-11 Painter and Decorator
 4431-11 General Plumber
 4431-13 Gas Fitter
 4431-15 Drainer
 4431-17 Roof Plumber
 4431-19 Mechanical Service and Aircon Plumber
 4913-11 Binder and Finisher
 4922-11 Cabinet Maker

Occupations removed altogether are as follows (and Hairdressing students may be upset);

1112-11 General Manager
 1211-11 Finance Manager
 1213-11 Human Resource Manager
 1221-11 Engineering Manager
 1222-13 Production Manager - Mining
 1231-11 Sales and Marketing Manager
 2112-11 Geologist
 2112-13 Geophysicist
 2124-11 Civil Engineer
 2126-11 Mechanical Engineer
 2126-13 Production and Plant Engineers
 2127-11 Mining Engineer (excluding petroleum)
 2128-13 Engineer - Mechanical Engineering Technologist
 2128-15 Engineer - Electrical or Electronics Engineering Technologists
 2129-17 Chemical Engineer
 2129-21 Engineer - Naval Architect
 2382-11 Pharmacist - Hospital Pharmacist
 2385-11 Physiotherapist
 2387-11 Chiropractor
 2392-11 Veterinarian

2543-13 Environmental Health Officer
2549-19 Recreation Officer
3322-01 Chef - Head Chef
4111-01 "Supervisor, General Mechanical Engineering Tradesperson"
4111-11 General Mechanical Engineering Tradesperson
4112-01 "Supervisor, Metal Fitters and Machinists"
4112-11 Fitter
4112-13 Metal Machinist (First Class)
4113-11 Toolmaker
4114-01 "Supervisor, Aircraft Maintenance Engineer"
4122-11 Metal Fabricators (Boilermaker)
4314-13 Electronic Instrument Tradesperson (Special Class)
4411-01 "Supervisor, Carpentry and Joinery Tradespersons"
4411-11 Carpenter and Joiner
4413-11 Roof Slater and Tiler
4431-01 "Supervisor, Plumber"
4511-11 Butcher
4931-11 Hairdresser
4942-11 Furniture Upholsterer
4981-11 Shipwright
4981-13 Boat Builder and Repairer

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