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*TRA Delays New Assessment Policy Start Date*



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Dear Students

Welcome to the new subscribers of IMMIGRATION NEWS and this latest edition brought to you by Australian Immigration Law Services.

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## **TRA Delays New Assessment Policy Starting Date**

The hot news released last night by the Migration Institute of Australia (MIA) is that Trades Recognition Australia (TRA) have delayed the starting date of its new assessment policies to a date in the future which is yet to be set. TRA was planning to start their new policies on the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2008.

I have reproduced an e-mail released by the MIA last night;

***“New TRA Migration Assessment Policy [MAP] will NOT commence on 1 September 2008***

*Despite earlier advice from TRA that their new Migration Assessment Policy (MAP) would commence on 1 September 2008, and although that is still the message on the TRA website, TRA have advised us that they will not be able to give their information session at the MIA Western Australia Conference, as the introduction of MAP has been delayed indefinitely and that further information about the introduction of MAP will be given at a later date.*

*The MIA is endeavouring to get further information about this.”*

## **Victory For Common Sense**

Congratulations to all students who took the time to write into TRA and complain about the manner they were going to start these new rules with little warning. Now this delay will give more time to the legitimate voluntary workers striving to

complete their 900 hours of experience.

This delay means that students can still apply to TRA with voluntary work experience for their 900 hours after the 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2008 until further notice.

We will let you know when TRA is to confirm a new starting date. We confirmed with TRA today by phone that they are not starting with their new rules but were not able to say when they were planning to start.

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