# I am living and working in regional NSW

# Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) visa (subclass 491)

**Part 1 – Applicant details**

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| **1.1 Main applicant’s details** |

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| Nominating Region (RDA) | | | *Select from this drop down list:* | | | [SkillSelect](https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/Busi/Empl/skillselect) EOI number | | | |  | | |
| Title |  | Surname |  | | | | | | | | | |
| Given names | | |  | | | | | | | | | |
| Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy) | | | |  | Current visa subclass | |  | | Visa expiry date | | |  |
| Nominated occupation | | | |  | | | | | | | | |
| Telephone | |  | Email | |  | | | | | | | |
| Address | |  | | | | | | | | | | |
| Suburb | |  | | | State | NSW | | Postcode | | |  | |
| Department of Home Affairs’ points test score | | | | |  | | | | | | | |

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| **1.2 Details of family members to be included in your visa application (if applicable)** | | | | | |
| Full name |  | DOB |  | Relationship to you |  |
| Full name |  | DOB |  | Relationship to you |  |
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**Part 2 – Details of authorised representative (if applicable)**

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| **2. Migration agent / authorised representative** |

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| Title |  | Full name |  | | | | |
| Business name | |  | | | | Migration Agent  Registration Number (MARN) |  |
| Telephone | |  | | Email |  | | |

**Part 3 – NSW nomination requirements**

1. You have a valid skills assessment for your nominated occupation and your nominated occupation
2. You have lived and worked in your nominated occupation for at least the last 12 months, and in a [designated regional area](https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/working-in-australia/regional-migration/eligible-regional-areas) in NSW, for at least the last 12 months.

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| **3. Living and working in regional NSW** | | |
| Place of employment | Address | Postcode |
| Date commenced employment |  | |
| Position / job title |  | |
| Employer |  | |
| Employer ABN |  | |
| Employer contact person |  | |
| Employer email and phone number |  | |

**Part 4 – Document checklist**

**How to label your documents**

Please name each document so that it identifies the requirements that the document relates to. For example, passport bio-data page should be labelled: “*Passport*” etc.

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| **4. Requirements** | **Supporting documents provided** |
| **Applicant details**  *Please provide at least* ***one*** *of the listed documents* | Passport bio-data page |
| Birth certificate / National identity card |
| Other, please specify |
| **Employment in regional NSW**  *Mandatory documents marked with \** | Letter(s) of offer and / or employment contract(s)\* |
| Payslips**\*** |
| Signed and dated reference letter(s) from your employer on the organisation’s letterhead**\*** |
| Notice of assessment received from the Australian Taxation Office |
| Employer’s Australian Business Number (ABN)\* |
| Other, please specify |
| **Residency in regional NSW**  *Mandatory documents marked with \** | Bank statements (transaction accounts)**\*** |
| Bank statements showing salary received**\*** |
| Rental agreement / lease |
| Utility bills e.g. gas, water |
| Other bills, e.g. phone, internet**\*** |
| Current visa**\*** |
| Driver’s licence |
| Proof of age card |
| Other, please specify |
| **Department of Home Affairs’ points test**  *Mandatory documents marked with \** | Valid Skills Assessment**\*** |
| Valid English language test result\*  *unless holder of eligible passport* |
| Evidence of being eligible for at least 65 points**\*** *see part six – points test self-assessment* |
| **Payment of application fee** | Online payment receipt\* |

**Part 5 – Applicant’s skills**

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| **5.1 English language ability** | | | | | | |
| English language ability | | | *Select from this drop down list:* | | | |
| English language test |  | | English language test date | |  | |
| Scores | Listening | Reading | | Writing | | Speaking |

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| **5.2 Education** | | | | | |
| Highest educational  qualification completed | | *Select from this drop down list:* | | | |
| Course |  | | Institution |  | |
| Date course commenced | |  | Date course completed | |  |

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| **5.3 Skilled employment** | | | |
| **Overseas skilled**  **employment** | **Occupation** | **Employer** | **Duration** (MM/YYYY) |
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**Part 6 – Points test self-assessment**

A self-assessment does not guarantee NSW nomination. Your application will be assessed on the information and supporting documents provided with your application. For detailed information on the criteria and assessment guidelines, please refer to the Department of Home Affairs website [www.homeaffairs.gov.au](file:///\\amaprdolgrfp1c\groups$\Migration%20Services\Procedure%20and%20policy%20manual\Forms%20and%20templates\Application%20Forms\Current%20forms\www.homeaffairs.gov.au)

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| **6. Indicate the points that you are eligible to claim** | | |
| **Criteria** | **Category** | **Points** |
| **Age** | 18–24 (inclusive) | 25 |
| 25–32 (inclusive) | 30 |
| 33–39 (inclusive) | 25 |
| 40–44 (inclusive) | 15 |
| **English language ability** | Competent English / eligible passport (U.S., U.K., N.Z., Canada, Ireland) | 0 |
| Proficient English | 10 |
| Superior English | 20 |
| **Educational qualifications** | Doctorate | 20 |
| Bachelor degree | 15 |
| Diploma or trade qualification | 10 |
| An award or qualification recognised by the relevant assessing  authority for your nominated skilled occupation. | 10 |
| **Australian skilled employment** | Skilled employment in Australia (in the last 10 years) | |
| At least one but less than three years | 5 |
| At least three but less than five years | 10 |
| At least five but less than eight years | 15 |
| At least eight and up to 10 years | 20 |
| **Overseas skilled employment** | Skilled employment outside Australia (in the last 10 years) | |
| At least three but less than five years | 5 |
| At least five but less than eight years | 10 |
| At least eight and up to 10 years | 15 |
| **Other factors** | Australian study requirement | 5 |
| Specialist Educational qualification | 10 |
| Credentialed community language qualifications | 5 |
| Studying and living in regional Australia | 5 |
| Partner skill qualifications | 10 |
| Partner with competent English but not eligible for Partner skill qualifications points | 5 |
| Single applicants (no partner) | 10 |
| Professional year in Australia | 5 |
| **Nomination** | Nomination by NSW (include these 15 points in your total points score) | 15 |
| **Total points** | |  |

**Part 7 – Limitations of NSW nomination**

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| **7. Limitations of NSW nomination** |

NSW nominates applicants to apply for a skilled visa if they meet NSW eligibility requirements in an occupation that is on the relevant NSW 491 Regional Skilled Occupation List. The occupations eligible for NSW nomination will change from time to time depending on economic need.

All applications are assessed against the criteria on the basis of the information and evidence submitted. Applicants who demonstrate that they meet criteria for nomination and who submit a fully documented application, may be nominated by NSW to apply for the Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) visa (subclass 491). NSW nomination is not guaranteed.

Obtaining NSW nomination is only the first step for prospective migrants to obtain this visa. Applicants applying for NSW nomination should also be aware that:

* NSW nomination is valid for one nomination and against one Expression of Interest (EOI) only
* NSW nomination is valid for 60 days only and a nomination does not imply that NSW will approve any subsequent applications for state nomination
* The Commonwealth Department of Home Affairs has sole responsibility for the granting of visas to enter or stay in Australia and NSW nomination does not mean that a visa application will be approved by the

Commonwealth Department of Home Affairs

* NSW nomination does not constitute the granting of a visa to enter or stay in Australia.

**Part 8 – Declaration**

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| **8.1 Privacy statement** |

The personal information you provide on this form is subject to the *Privacy & Personal Information Protection Act 1998*. It is being collected by NSW Treasury and will be used for purposes related to NSW nomination under the NSW Business and Skilled Migration Program.

NSW Treasury may share the information provided in this form with the Commonwealth Department of Home Affairs for the purposes of verification and processing of your visa application. NSW Treasury will not disclose your personal information to anybody else unless authorised by law. The provision of this information is required to be supplied for the purposes of assessing your eligibility for NSW Nomination for a Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) visa (subclass 491). If you choose not to provide the requested information we may not be able to process your application.

You have the right to request access to, and correct the details of, your personal information held by us. Further information regarding privacy can be obtained from our website at [www.treasury.nsw.gov.au/privacy](http://www.treasury.nsw.gov.au/privacy).

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| **8.2 Applicant’s declaration** |

I solemnly and sincerely declare the following:

I consent to the nominating RDA sharing the information provided on this form with NSW Treasury, the Department of Home Affairs and/or third parties for the purposes of verification and processing of my visa application.

I declare that the information submitted in this application is true and accurate and that I have read all Department of Home Affairs’ criteria for this visa, as well as the NSW nomination criteria for the stream I am applying under and assess that I meet these criteria.

I acknowledge that:

* NSW nomination is valid for one nomination and against one Expression of Interest (EOI) number only
* The nominating RDA and/or NSW Treasury may contact other parties, such as employers, to verify the information that I have provided in my application
* NSW Treasury may withdraw my nomination if I have provided false information in my application,
* NSW Treasury may withdraw my nomination if, after being nominated, I settle in another state or territory in Australia.

If granted a Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) visa (subclass 491) by the Department of Home Affairs, I agree to:

* Live and work in designated regional area postcodes in NSW while holding this visa
* Advise the nominating RDA of any change of home or business address while holding this visa.
* Advise the nominating RDA of any changes to my contact details while holding this visa.
* Respond to surveys or requests for updated information on employment and settlement in NSW.

I make this solemn declaration as to the matters aforesaid (check box).

Applicant’s name

Date

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| **8.3 Declaration by migration agent / authorised representative** |

I have explained all of the NSW nomination requirements and conditions to the applicant, and believe that the applicant understands the information, including the privacy statement and the applicant’s declaration above.

To the best of my knowledge, I believe that the information provided in this form is complete and accurate.

I make this solemn declaration as to the matters aforesaid (check box).

Migration agent’s name

Date