

## Skilled Nominated visa (subclass 190)

### *NSW nomination - key criteria*

To be considered for invitation to apply for NSW nomination, candidates must meet minimum eligibility requirements including that you:

1. Have an occupation on the [NSW 190 Priority Skilled Occupation List](#).

Some occupations on the NSW 190 Priority Occupation List are subject to an additional requirement for nomination by NSW.

The additional requirement for these occupations is:

- to be currently living in NSW, and;
- to have been employed in NSW for at least one year, in your nominated occupation.

These occupations are indicated on the NSW 190 Priority Skilled Occupation List.

2. Score a minimum of at least 65 points on the Australian Government Department of Home Affairs' [points test](#) and meet relevant Commonwealth [visa criteria](#).
3. Have received an invitation to apply for NSW nomination.
4. Submit a [complete and accurate application](#) for NSW nomination within 14 days of being invited to apply.
5. Commit to living and working in NSW for at least the first two years after being granted your Skilled Nominated visa (subclass 190).

## How to apply

1. Submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) in SkillSelect.
  - Assess that you meet the 190 visa criteria and that you can move to NSW when your visa is granted.
  - Submit an EOI in SkillSelect, indicating interest for NSW nomination for the 190 visa.
  - You do not need to contact NSW after submitting your EOI.
2. Regularly check your emails to see if you have been invited by NSW.
  - There is no set timeframe to expect an invitation after submitting an EOI.
  - There is no waiting list or queue of candidates to be invited, but rather a dynamic pool of candidates.
  - Invitations are not guaranteed and the number of candidates who have submitted EOIs far outweighs the number of places available in our program.
  - Invitation emails are sent from [digital.services@industry.nsw.gov.au](mailto:digital.services@industry.nsw.gov.au)
3. If selected, you will receive an invitation to apply for NSW nomination by email
4. Recheck your eligibility.
  - You must be able to demonstrate that you meet the claims that were in your EOI **at the time that you were invited to apply**.
  - If you believe that you are not able to demonstrate that you meet the claims that were in your EOI, please contact us and do not submit an application.
  - Please read our [Are you eligible](#) and [Frequently Asked Questions](#) webpages before submitting your application.
5. Submit an application for NSW nomination and wait for the outcome.
  - Candidates must submit an online application within 14 days of receiving the invitation to apply.
  - NSW nomination applications usually take six weeks to process. Please note, application fees are not refundable.
6. If nominated, you will receive an invitation to apply for the 190 visa from the federal government.
  - This invitation is valid for 60 days

7. Apply for your 190 visa to the Department of Home Affairs.
  - The Department of Home Affairs will advise you of the decision on your visa application.
  - We are not able to update you on the status of your visa application to the Department of Home Affairs.
  
8. If your visa is granted, move to NSW and commence your two year commitment to live and work in the state.

## *About NSW Skilled Nominated Migration 190 program*

The Skilled Nominated visa (subclass 190) is a permanent visa for points tested skilled workers who are nominated by a state or territory government agency. NSW Treasury nominates eligible highly skilled workers occupational skills needed in the state to drive economic growth.

NSW nominees must commit to live and work in NSW for at least their first two years in Australia while holding this visa.

The visa criteria and visa application processes are administered by the Australian Government Department of Home Affairs. NSW nominates candidates to apply for the visa to the Department of Home Affairs. NSW nomination does not guarantee that the visa will be granted.

### **Selection and invitation for NSW nomination**

Demand for NSW nominations is very high, usually exceeding the number of places available under the NSW 190 program. Due to the large volume, only selected candidates will be contacted and invited to apply. There is no waiting list or queue of candidates to be invited to apply for NSW nomination, but rather a dynamic pool of candidates that is constantly changing. This means that we cannot forecast the likelihood of a candidate receiving an invitation and we do not provide status updates for individual EOIs.

## *More information*

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- [industry.nsw.gov.au/migration](http://industry.nsw.gov.au/migration)
- [www.homeaffairs.gov.au](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au)