Priority Migration Skilled Occupation List

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The Priority Migration Skilled Occupation List (PMSOL) identifies 41 occupations which fill critical skills needs to support Australia's economic recovery from COVID-19. The list is based on expert advice from the National Skills Commission and consultation with Commonwealth departments.

Employer sponsored nomination and visa applications with an occupation on the PMSOL will be given priority processing. All other skilled occupation lists will remain active, but the PMSOL occupations will take priority.

The list is temporary and priority occupations may change as Australia recovers from the pandemic. The Government and the <u>National Skills Commission</u> will continue to monitor the impact of COVID-19 on the Australian labour market and assess Australia's skills needs as they evolve and new sources of data emerge.

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The 41 occupations (ANZSCO code) are:

- Chief Executive or Managing Director (11111)
- Construction Project Manager (133111)
- Accountant (General) (221111)*
- Management Accountant (221112)*
- Taxation Accountant (221113)*
- External Auditor (221213)*
- Internal Auditor (221214)*
- Surveyor (232212)*
- Cartographer (232213)*
- Other Spatial Scientist (232214)*
- Civil Engineer (233211)*
- Geotechnical Engineer (233212)*
- Structural Engineer (233214)*
- Transport Engineer (233215)*

- Electrical Engineer (233311)*
- Mechanical Engineer (233512)
- Mining Engineer (excluding Petroleum) (233611)*
- Petroleum Engineer (233612)*
- Medical Laboratory Scientist (234611)*
- Veterinarian (234711)
- Orthotist or Prosthetist (251912)*
- General Practitioner (253111)
- Resident Medical Officer (253112)
- Psychiatrist (253411)
- Medical Practitioners nec (253999)
- Midwife (254111)
- Registered Nurse (Aged Care) (254412)
- Registered Nurse (Critical Care and Emergency) (254415)
- Registered Nurse (Medical) (254418)
- Registered Nurse (Mental Health) (254422)
- Registered Nurse (Perioperative) (254423)
- Registered Nurses nec (254499)
- Multimedia Specialist (261211)*
- Analyst Programmer (261311)*
- Developer Programmer (261312)
- Software Engineer (261313)
- Software and Applications Programmers nec (261399)*
- ICT Security Specialist (262112)*
- Social Worker (272511)
- Maintenance Planner (312911)
- *Chef* (351311)*

* Indicates occupation added in June 2021

Visa subclasses

Priority processing of nomination and visa applications for PMSOL occupations applies to these employer sponsored visa subclasses:

- Temporary Skill Shortage (TSS) visa (subclass 482)
- Skilled Employer Sponsored Regional (Provisional) visa (subclass 494)
- Employer Nomination Scheme (ENS) visa (subclass 186)
- Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme (RSMS) visa (subclass 187)

Conclusion:

The priority occupation list and the employer nomination visa scheme is always very much dear to each other as the Australian employers will be privileged to hire overseas trained professionals through a lenient nomination procedure in the identified critical skills shortage areas by the Department of Home Affairs through this system . Further the visa holders also will address the economic crisis with their immediate skills contribution without delay soon after they arrive in Australia . But the Off-shore GSM visa holders will not be readily available to address the identified crisis sectors in Australia with immediate effect upon their arrival. Majority of them will find employment opportunities in different sectors and will take time to switch to their usual professions . The immigration is well aware of this truth and the general skilled migrants will always play a powerful role in so many other sectors in Australian economy more than addressing the immediate skills shortage crisis .

Therefore we can confidently say that the Priority Occupation list would heavily support employer nomination visas . But this list gets us an idea about the shape of the intended state migration plans for the year 2021/2022 and these identified occupations will be commonly available in most of the state wide demand list along with the other general occupations this time.

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