



## A Warning on Tourist Visas

Recently our Registered Migration Agents have been fielding many calls from people enquiring about coming to Australia on a Tourist Visa (subclass 676) to find work. We want to make it very clear that you cannot work on a Tourist Visa.

We understand that it may be very difficult to find work in Australia when you are still in your home country however we do have the **AMVL Employment Network** to assist migrants in finding work in Australia. We have **JOBS JOBS JOBS** with highly regarded national companies in Australia who are all willing to offer successful Irish candidates employer sponsorship in Australia. Our Australian employers are particularly looking to recruit:

**Contact us** to see if you're eligible.

- Diesel Fitters
- Technicians
- Metal Machinists
- Engineers
- Metal Fabricators
- Welders
- Electricians
- Motor Mechanics
- Carpenters
- and many more!

## Unpredictability of Victoria State Sponsorship

State Sponsorship under Victoria is proving to be increasingly unpredictable. When lodging clients we are experiencing mixed results. Whilst our lodged clients have met all published criteria, we are getting both approvals and refusals. On a positive note, the processing times have improved so you can get your result quickly and then apply for another state if necessary.

**Contact us** if you would like to speak with a Registered Migration Agent regarding the **Victorian State Migration Plan**.

## Victoria University - Processing Skills Assessments

Victoria University has been approved by the Australian Government to conduct formal skills assessment for General Skilled Migration and Temporary Worker Visas (subclass 457).

Skill assessments through Victoria University will be paper based with the main difference to the former Trades Recognition Australia (TRA) being the addition of a technical interview.

This new process may make some applicants nervous so feel welcome to **contact us** for more information and guidance on the technical interview.

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## AMVL Employment Network



[Click here](#) for more information

## New Points Test – What does it mean to GSM

We want to clarify that the New Points Test (which will take effect on 1 July 2011) does not place a stop on General Skilled Migration (GSM).

It is merely just new criteria which GSM applicants will be assessed against. The New Points Test will favour migrants who have a combination of skills and experience. The new criteria may in fact benefit some people, for example those in the 45+ age group.

**Click here** for more information on the New Points Test.

## South Australian GSM Sponsorship Applications Closed

Just a reminder that all State Sponsorship applications to Immigration South Australia have now closed. This is to allow enough time for visa applications to be lodged with DIAC under the current Points Test before the new Points Test comes into effect on the 1 July 2011.

**Contact us** for further information.



## Change to Skilled Worker Program

From 2 June 2011 all applicants for permanent migration, regardless of the visa type being applied for, will be assessed under the Offshore Skills Assessment Program where the applicant is from a nominated country and nominated trade occupation. What this means is that they must have their skills assessed by either Vetassess or Victoria University even if applying for an employer sponsored visa.

Where DIAC requires a skills assessment, applicants in the nominated countries and nominated trade occupations will now be required to have their skills assessed by a TRA-approved Registered Training Organisation. As a result, all successful applicants will receive an Australian qualification as part of the migration process.

Please **contact us** and we can advise the relevant skill assessing authority for your occupation.