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MIGRATING TO AUSTRALIA

International borders are currently closed and migration for offshore candidates next to zero but I will share this info so you can prepare, if interested. There are still things you can do in preparation

Migrating to Australia is a process and a half. It is costly and the process is long. It can take a year or so for the whole process to come full cycle. What I can not emphasise enough is that IT IS WORTH IT. There are a few visas available for trades people.

Please note that Australia does not classify trades people. You are either one or not. Whether you are class 2 or class 1, apprenticeship trained or not, if you have the required experience and pass their skills assessment you get the same certificate.

The most common visa is the State nomination visas, followed by the employer nominated visas. I will expand on these below. Between 2012 and 2017 you could easily get PR straight up, but they have since changed the rules to balance and spread people across other states.

PR allows you to work anywhere in Australia. Most people chose Western Australia as that is where most of the mining happens, leaving other states with skills shortage. Before we go into details about visas, I will share what you need to be eligible.

FIRST your occupation should be on the list of occupations that are listed as eligible for migration. Most trade occupations are on the list. This link we help you find out if your occupation is listed, the assessing body registered to assess your qualifications and experience

as well as the types of visas you can apply for. <https://t.co/OECKyHf3uA>

SECONDLY, after you nominate your occupation you must do a skills assessment. You must use the assessing body registered to do the job by the department of immigration.

Most, if not all trade occupations assessments are done by VETASSESS. Each trade has its own requirements, so it is important to check info relevant to your trade. The process and costs are all found on their website. <https://t.co/TdhoMK2ISD>

THIRDLY, you must sit for an English language test. IELTS is the most common one but you can also sit for the PEARSON ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST. The band score required depends on the type of visa you choose. For skilled migration you must choose the general training test.

FOURTHLY, after you have done your skills assessment and obtained your English language certificate, you then submit your Expression of Interest on Skill select. Australia uses a points system to select candidates for migration. Points are awarded based on age, qualifications,

English language proficiency, experience etc. You must have at least 60 points to be eligible to apply for a visa. If your EOI is accepted, you will be invited to apply for your nominated visa. Note that you can do this process on your own, but if you feel it is too much you

can solicit the services of a registered migration agent. For more information about skillselect visit their website <https://t.co/Bcwoemds42>

STATE NOMINATION is a process whereby an Australian state or territory nominates you for a visa. The nomination is done at state level

so each state has its own requirements. This is the most common and easier way for trades people to get a visa now. Once a state nominates you, you jump the que and are invited to apply on skillselect. A lot of information is available on this so I will share

the links to the info instead of trying to compress it into the thread.
<https://t.co/pXavWBA0uw>

<https://t.co/9gbqqaTvHb>

<https://t.co/Tl4LStyG8W>

EMPLOYER NOMINATION visas are also available, but a few companies have been keen to sponsor people in the past few years. The main reason being the influx of people into Australia.

It is still possible though. It is my belief that we might see employers nominating people once the Aus opens its int. borders. Some employers will nominate and sponsor you whilst some will nominate you but must pay the costs yourself, they will only pay migration agent fees.

Visas you can apply for:

<https://t.co/eqiBKysPWN>

<https://t.co/GlcvCxxnh3>

<https://t.co/BldJpSf3bR>

This is what I have on migration for now. I do post about migration on my timeline here and there when I find information that might be useful.