



Annual Update of Skilled Occupation List - 1 July 2011

The Skilled Occupation List (SOL) will change from 1 July 2011, with 13 occupations to be added to the list and 4 occupations to be removed. The SOL determines which occupations are eligible for independent or unsponsored skilled migration.

The updated SOL is based on expert advice from the independent body, Skills Australia. The SOL identifies specialised occupations of high value and includes managerial, professional, associate-professional and trade occupations.

The list of occupations reflects the Australian Government's commitment to a skilled migration program that delivers skills in need in Australia. The SOL will continue to deliver a skilled migration program tightly focused on high value skills that will assist in addressing Australia's future skills needs.

The migration program is continually reviewed to make sure it is responsive to economic conditions and skills needs. In keeping with this objective, the SOL will continue to be reviewed by Skills Australia on an annual basis, ensuring that it meets the needs of the Australian labour market.

Visa applications that will be affected by the updated SOL

The updated SOL will apply to all new independent or unsponsored skilled migration applications lodged on or after 1 July 2011 unless they are from applicants eligible for transitional arrangements.* Applications with a nominated occupation that is no longer on the SOL in effect from 1 July 2011 will continue to be processed. Priority processing arrangements may however change for certain applicants according to the Ministerial Direction on priority processing.

* The update of the SOL will not apply to applicants eligible for transitional arrangements that is applicants who applied for subclass 485 (Skilled Graduate) visa on or before 8 February 2010 that has not been finally determined or who on 8 February 2010 held a Subclass 485 (Skilled Graduate) visa. These applicants are able to apply for a permanent skilled migration visa on the basis of the SOL in effect on 8 February 2010.

Further transitional arrangements allow anyone who held a qualifying Student visa on 8 February 2010 to apply for a Temporary Skilled Graduate visa (Subclass 485) on the basis of the SOL in effect on 8 February 2010. These transitional arrangements are in place until 31 December 2012.
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Summary of changes to the SOL

The following changes have been applied to the SOL.

Additions

These occupations will be added to the SOL.

234914	Medical Physicist
251311	Environmental Health Officer
251312	Occupational Health and Safety Adviser
251511	Hospital Pharmacists
251513	Retail Pharmacists
271111	Barrister
271311	Solicitor
323211	Fitter (General)
323212	Fitter and Turner
323213	Fitter-Welder
323214	Metal Machinist (First Class)
399111	Boat Builder and Repairer
399112	Shipwright

Removals

These occupations will be removed from the SOL.

251411	Optometrist
251412	Orthoptist
324111	Panel Beater
324311	Vehicle Painter

Occupations on the SOL

The updated SOL comprises 192 high value occupations, as listed below.

133111	Construction Project Manager
133112	Project Builder
133211	Engineering Manager
134111	Child Care Centre Manager
134211	Medical Administrator
134212	Nursing Clinical Director
134213	Primary Health Organisation Manager
134214	Welfare Centre Manager
221111	Accountant (General)
221112	Management Accountant
221113	Taxation Accountant
221213	External Auditor
221214	Internal Auditor
224111	Actuary
224511	Land Economist
224512	Valuer
231212	Ship's Engineer
231213	Ship's Master
231214	Ship's Officer
232111	Architect
232112	Landscape Architect
232212	Surveyor
232213	Cartographer
232214	Other Spatial Scientist

232611	Urban and Regional Planner
233111	Chemical Engineer
233112	Materials Engineer
233211	Civil Engineer
233212	Geotechnical Engineer
233213	Quantity Surveyor
233214	Structural Engineer
233215	Transport Engineer
233311	Electrical Engineer
233411	Electronics Engineer
233511	Industrial Engineer
233512	Mechanical Engineer
233513	Production or Plant Engineer
233611	Mining Engineer (excluding Petroleum)
233612	Petroleum Engineer
233911	Aeronautical Engineer
233912	Agricultural Engineer
233913	Biomedical Engineer
233914	Engineering Technologist
233915	Environmental Engineer
233916	Naval Architect
234111	Agricultural Consultant
234112	Agricultural Scientist
234113	Forester
234211	Chemist
234611	Medical Laboratory Scientist
234711	Veterinarian
234914	Physicist (Medical Physicist only)
241111	Early Childhood (Pre-Primary School) Teacher
241411	Secondary School Teacher
241511	Special Needs Teacher
241512	Teacher of the Hearing Impaired
241513	Teacher of the Sight Impaired
241599	Special Education Teachers nec
251211	Medical Diagnostic Radiographer
251212	Medical Radiation Therapist
251213	Nuclear Medicine Technologist
251214	Sonographer
251311	Environmental Health Officer
251312	Occupational Health and Safety Advisor
251511	Hospital Pharmacist
251513	Retail Pharmacist
252111	Chiropractor
252112	Osteopath
252311	Dental Specialist
252312	Dentist
252411	Occupational Therapist
252511	Physiotherapist
252611	Podiatrist
252711	Audiologist
252712	Speech Pathologist
253111	General Medical Practitioner
253211	Anaesthetist

253311	Specialist Physician (General Medicine)
253312	Cardiologist
253313	Clinical Haematologist
253314	Medical Oncologist
253315	Endocrinologist
253316	Gastroenterologist
253317	Intensive Care Specialist
253318	Neurologist
253321	Paediatrician
253322	Renal Medicine Specialist
253323	Rheumatologist
253324	Thoracic Medicine Specialist
253399	Specialist Physicians nec
253411	Psychiatrist
253511	Surgeon (General)
253512	Cardiothoracic Surgeon
253513	Neurosurgeon
253514	Orthopaedic Surgeon
253515	Otorhinolaryngologist
253516	Paediatric Surgeon
253517	Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeon
253518	Urologist
253521	Vascular Surgeon
253911	Dermatologist
253912	Emergency Medicine Specialist
253913	Obstetrician and Gynaecologist
253914	Ophthalmologist
253915	Pathologist
253917	Diagnostic and Interventional Radiologist
253918	Radiation Oncologist
253999	Medical Practitioners nec
254111	Midwife
254411	Nurse Practitioner
254412	Registered Nurse (Aged Care)
254413	Registered Nurse (Child and Family Health)
254414	Registered Nurse (Community Health)
254415	Registered Nurse (Critical Care and Emergency)
254416	Registered Nurse (Development Disability)
254417	Registered Nurse (Disability and Rehabilitation)
254418	Registered Nurse (Medical)
254421	Registered Nurse (Medical Practice)
254422	Registered Nurse (Mental Health)
254423	Registered Nurse (Perioperative)
254424	Registered Nurse (Surgical)
254499	Registered Nurse nec
261111	ICT Business Analyst
261112	Systems Analyst
261311	Analyst Programmer
261312	Developer Programmer
261313	Software Engineer
263311	Telecommunications Engineer
263312	Telecommunications Network Engineer
271111	Barrister

271311	Solicitor
272311	Clinical Psychologist
272312	Educational Psychologist
272313	Organisational Psychologist
272314	Psychotherapist
272399	Psychologists nec
272511	Social Worker
312211	Civil Engineering Draftsperson
312212	Civil Engineering Technician
312311	Electrical Engineering Draftsperson
312312	Electrical Engineering Technician
313211	Radiocommunications Technician
313212	Telecommunications Field Engineer
313213	Telecommunications Network Planner
313214	Telecommunications Technical Officer or Technologist
321111	Automotive Electrician
321211	Motor Mechanic (General)
321212	Diesel Motor Mechanic
321213	Motorcycle Mechanic
321214	Small Engine Mechanic
322211	Sheetmetal Trades Worker
322311	Metal Fabricator
322312	Pressure Welder
322313	Welder (First Class)
323111	Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (Avionics)
323112	Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (Mechanical)
323113	Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (Structures)
323211	Fitter (General)
323212	Fitter and Turner
323213	Fitter-Welder
323214	Metal Machinist (First Class)
323313	Locksmith
331111	Bricklayer
331112	Stonemason
331211	Carpenter and Joiner
331212	Carpenter
331213	Joiner
332211	Painting Trades Workers
333111	Glazier
333211	Fibrous Plasterer
333212	Solid Plasterer
333411	Wall and Floor Tiler
334111	Plumber (General)
334112	Airconditioning and Mechanical Services Plumber
334113	Drainer
334114	Gasfitter
334115	Roof Plumber
341111	Electrician (General)
341112	Electrician (Special Class)
341113	Lift Mechanic
342111	Airconditioning and Refrigeration Mechanic
342211	Electrical Linesworker

342212	Technical Cable Joints
342313	Electronic Equipment Trades Worker
342314	Electronic Instrument Trades Worker (General)
342315	Electronic Instrument Trades Worker (Special Class)
399111	Boat Builder and Repairer
399112	Shipwright
411211	Dental Hygienist
411212	Dental Prosthetist
411213	Dental Technician
411214	Dental Therapist