

# Work Rights

## Provisional Visa Holders



Immigration SA is a State Government agency responsible for skilled and business migration to South Australia.

We work with Australia Government's [Department of Immigration and Border Protection \(DIBP\)](#) to attract eligible skilled and business migrants to South Australia through state nominated visa programs.

State nominated provisional visas are only granted for regional or low population metropolitan areas of Australia and the whole of South Australia is classed as regional.

Visa holders nominated by the South Australian government agree to reside in South Australia for the first two years after arrival.

The following state-nominated provisional visas have **full work rights and enable visa holders to work full time** within South Australia.:

- **489 – Skilled Regional (Provisional) – 4 year visa**
- **475 – Temporary Work (Skilled) – 3 year visa**
- **487 – Skilled Regional Sponsored – 3 year visa**
- **495 – Skilled Independent Regional (Provisional) – 3 year visa**

The visa holder will receive a visa grant letter from DIBP outlining the conditions of their visa.

### Permanent residency

South Australian nominated provisional visa holders have the opportunity to apply for permanent residency through DIBP after living in South Australia for 2 years and being employed full time (working at least 35 hours per week) for a minimum of 12 months in that 2 year period.

If successful, they will be granted a permanent visa (subclass 887).

### Check employees work entitlements online

You can quickly check a skilled migrants work entitlements through DIBP's Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO).

VEVO is a free online service that gives visa holders, employers and other registered organisations easy and quick access to visa entitlements and status information 24 hours a day. The visa holder can also print or email their Australian visa details directly to their prospective or current employer from the VEVO system.

Visit [immi.gov.au/VEVO](http://immi.gov.au/VEVO) for more information on visa status and entitlements.

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