



Migration (IMMI 17/052: Priority Consideration of Certain Visa Applications) Instrument 2017

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make the following kind of instrument:

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Part 1 - Preliminary

1 Name

This instrument is the *Migration (IMMI 17/052: Priority Consideration of Certain Visa Applications) Instrument 2017*. It may be cited as IMMI 17/052.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on 1 July 2017.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under subregulation 2.12M(7) of the Regulations.

4 Definitions

In this instrument:

Regulations means the *Migration Regulations 1994*.

5 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Part 2 – Priority Consideration of Visa Application Request – Subclass 600 (Visitor Visa)

6 Priority Consideration of Subclass 600 (Visitor) Visa – Requests Enabled by Application Form

- (1) For the purposes of subregulation 2.12(M)(2) of the Regulations, Schedule 1 to this instrument specifies the following matters in relation to making a request for priority consideration of a Subclass 600 (Visitor) Visa:
 - (a) kinds of visas (Column 1);
 - (b) kinds of valid passports in relation to kinds of visas specified for the item (Column 2);
 - (c) requirements in relation to kinds of visas and kinds of valid passports specified for the item (Column 3);
 - (d) approved application forms in relation to kinds of visas and kinds of valid passports specified for the item (Column 4); and
 - (e) ways in which applications can be made in relation to kinds of visas, kinds of valid passports and approved forms specified for the item (Column 5)
- (2) Schedule 1 applies to requests that are made as permitted by subregulation 2.12M(4) of the Regulations, in accordance with paragraph 2.12M(3)(a) of the Regulations.

Note: Subregulation 2.12M(4) provides that if the approved form for the application enables the making of the request, the request may be made as enabled by the approved form.

7 Priority Consideration of Subclass 600 (Visitor) Visa – Requests Not Enabled By Application Form

- (1) For the purposes of subregulation 2.12(M)(2) of the Regulations, Schedule 2 specifies the following matters in relation to making a request for priority consideration of a Subclass 600 (Visitor) visa kinds of visas:
 - (a) kinds of visas (Column 1);
 - (b) kinds of valid passports in relation to the kinds of visas specified for the item (Column 2);
 - (c) approved forms in relation to kinds of visas and kinds of valid passports (Column 3); and
 - (d) ways in which applications can be made in relation to kinds of visas (Column 5).

(2) For the purposes of subregulation 2.12M(5) of the Regulations, Schedule 2 to this instrument specifies the following matters in relation to making a request for priority consideration as mentioned in paragraph 2.12M(3)(b) of the Regulations:

- (a) approved forms in relation to the kind of visa applied for and the kind of valid passport held by the applicant (Column 4); and
- (b) ways in which the request must be made in relation to that kind of visa, that kind of valid passport and approved form (Column 5)

(3) Schedule 2 applies to requests that are made using the form approved by the Minister for the purposes of paragraph 2.12M(3)(b).

Note: paragraph 2.12M(3)(b) allows a request to be made by a form approved by the Minister, as an alternative to providing the request in an approved application form that enables the making of the request for priority consideration.

Schedule 1 – Priority consideration of visa applications – requests enabled by application form

Priority consideration of visa applications – requests enabled by application form				
Column 1 Kinds of visas	Column 2 Kinds of valid passports	Column 3 Requirements	Column 4 Approved application forms	Column 5 Ways to make application
Subclass 600 (Visitor) visa in the Tourist Stream and Subclass 600 (Visitor) visa in the Business Visitor Stream	(a) Passports issued by the People's Republic of China indicating that the applicant is a national of the People's Republic of China	Applicant must be outside Australia and located in the People's Republic of China when the visa application and request for priority consideration of the visa application is made.	Form 1419 (Internet)	For holders of passports issued by the People's Republic of China , applications may be made as an internet application form.
	(b) Passports issued by the Republic of India indicating that the applicant is a national of the Republic of India	Applicant must be outside Australia and located in the Republic of India when the request for priority consideration of the visa application is made.		For holders of passports issued by the Republic of India , applications may be made as an internet application form.
	(c) Passports issued by the United Arab Emirates indicating that the applicant is a national of the United Arab Emirates	Applicant must be outside Australia and located in the United Arab Emirates when the request for priority consideration of the visa application is made.		For holders of passports issued by the United Arab Emirates , applications may be made as an internet application form.

Schedule 2 – Priority consideration of visa applications – requests not enabled by application form

Priority consideration of visa applications – requests not enabled by application form				
Column 1 Kinds of visas	Column 2 Kinds of valid passports	Column 3 Approved Application Forms	Column 4 Approved Request Form	Column 5 Ways to make application and request
Subclass 600 (Visitor) visa in the Tourist Stream	(a) Passports issued by the People's Republic of China indicating that the applicant is a national of the People's Republic of China	1419	1472	For holders of passports issued by the People's Republic of China , applications and requests for priority consideration may be made at any Australia Visa Application Centre (AVAC) in the People's Republic of China that is specified on Immigration's website. The application and the request for priority consideration must be made at the same AVAC.
	(b) Passports issued by the Republic of India indicating that the applicant is a national of the Republic of India			For holders of passports issued by the Republic of India , applications and requests for priority consideration may be made at any Australia Visa Application Centre (AVAC) in the Republic of India that is specified on Immigration's website. The application and the request for priority consideration must be made at the same AVAC.
	(c) Passports issued by the United Arab Emirates indicating that the applicant is a national of the United Arab Emirates			For holders of passports issued by the United Arab Emirates , applications and requests for priority consideration may be made at any Australia Visa Application Centre (AVAC) in the United Arab Emirates that is specified on Immigration's website. The application and the request for priority

				consideration must be made at the same AVAC.
Subclass 600 (Visitor) visa in the Business Visitor Stream	(a) Passports issued by the People's Republic of China indicating that the applicant is a national of the People's Republic of China	1415	1472	For holders of passports issued by the People's Republic of China , applications and requests for priority consideration may be made at any Australia Visa Application Centre (AVAC) in the People's Republic of China that is specified on Immigration's website. The application and the request for priority consideration must be made at the same AVAC.
	(b) Passports issued by the Republic of India indicating that the applicant is a national of the Republic of India			For holders of passports issued by the Republic of India , applications and requests for priority consideration may be made at any Australia Visa Application Centre (AVAC) in the Republic of India that is specified on Immigration's website. The application and the request for priority consideration must be made at the same AVAC.
	(c) Passports issued by the United Arab Emirates indicating that the applicant is a national of the United Arab Emirates			For holders of passports issued by the United Arab Emirates , applications and requests for priority consideration may be made at any Australia Visa Application Centre (AVAC) in the United Arab Emirates that is specified on Immigration's website. The application and the request for priority consideration must be made at the same AVAC.

Note: For the relevant Australian Visa Application Centres: see <https://www.border.gov.au/>.

Schedule 3—Repeals

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1 The whole of the instrument

Repeal the instrument.