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Migration (English Language Requirements for Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) Visa— Pacific Engagement Stream) Instrument 2025

I, Tony Burke, Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs, make the following instrument.

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Migration (English Language Requirements for Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) Visa—Pacific Engagement Stream) Instrument 2025*

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on 1 May 2025.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under clause 192.223 of Schedule 2 to the Migration Regulations.

4 Definitions

In this instrument:

Migration Regulations means the *Migration Regulations 1994*.

Pacific Engagement stream visa means a Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) visa in the Pacific Engagement stream as set out in Subdivision 192.22 of Schedule 2 to the Migration Regulations.

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Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

6 English language test requirements for Pacific Engagement stream visa

- (1) For the purposes of clause 192.223 of Schedule 2 to the Migration Regulations, the following English language test requirements are specified:
 - (a) the applicant, or (if the applicant's spouse or de facto partner has made a combined application for a visa with the applicant) the applicant's spouse or de facto partner, must undertake an English language test mentioned in subsection (2); and
 - (b) the applicant, or (if the applicant's spouse or de facto partner has made a combined application for a visa with the applicant) the applicant's spouse or de facto partner, must achieve the test scores specified in Column 2 of an item in the table under subsection (3), in relation to the test undertaken; and
 - (c) the test required under paragraph (1)(a) was undertaken within:
 - (i) if evidence of the test is provided at the time the applicant makes an application for a Pacific Engagement stream visa—3 years immediately before the day of the visa application; or

- (ii) if evidence of the test is not provided at the time the visa application is made—3 years immediately before the day on which a decision to grant or refuse grant of the visa is made.
- (2) For the purpose of paragraph (1)(a), the English language tests are:
- (a) the Cambridge English: Advanced test (the *CAE*);
 - (b) the International English Language Testing System (the *IELTS*);
 - (c) the Occupational English Test (the *OET*);
 - (d) the Pearson Test of English Academic (the *PTE*);
 - (e) the Test of English as a Foreign Language internet-based Test (the *TOEFL iBT*), if the test was undertaken on or before 25 July 2023.
- (3) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(b), the test scores for an English language test required under paragraph (1)(a) are specified in Column 2 of an item in the following table in relation to the test mentioned in Column 1 of that item.

English language test scores		
Item	Column 1: English language tests	Column 2: Test scores
1	the CAE	for each of the listening and speaking components of the CAE—a score of at least 154.
2	the IELTS	for each of the listening and speaking test components of the IELTS—a score of at least 5.0.
3	the OET	for each of the listening and speaking test components of the OET—a score of at least B.
4	the PTE	for each of the listening and speaking components of the PTE—a score of at least 36.
5	the TOEFL iBT	(a) for the listening component of the TOEFL iBT—a score of at least 4; and (b) for the speaking component of the TOEFL—a score of at least 14.

Note: Minimum test scores are not required unless set out in the table above. This means there is no minimum test score required for reading and writing components. A minimum overall test score is also not required.

7 Application and transitional provisions

- (1) This instrument applies in relation to an application for a Pacific Engagement stream visa made on or after 1 May 2025, if the application relates to a selected participant for a visa pre-application process conducted on or after 1 May 2025 in relation to a Pacific Engagement stream visa.
- (2) Despite the repeal of the *Migration (English Language Requirements for Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) Visa) Instrument (LIN 24/023) 2024*

(LIN 24/023) by Schedule 1 to this instrument, LIN 24/023 continues to apply in relation to an application for a Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) visa if the application relates to a selected participant for a visa pre-application process conducted before 1 May 2025 in relation to a Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) visa.

Schedule 1—Repeals

Migration (English Language Requirements for Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) Visa) Instrument (LIN 24/023) 2024

1 The whole of the instrument

Repeal the instrument.