

## Program Update - 1 July 2018

General Skilled Migration (**Subclass 190** and **Subclass 489**)  
Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme (**Subclass 187**)  
Business Migration (**Subclass 188** and **Subclass 132**)

# Visa State Migration



## What has changed?

On Sunday, 1 July 2018 the **Department of Home Affairs** introduced changes to their visa program that includes a revised minimum EOI score requirement of 65 points.

To reflect these changes and also to incorporate recommendations from key stakeholders the Tasmanian Government has updated its visa state nomination requirements as summarised below.

- Subclass 190                      Category 2: Working in Tasmania  
Requires six months' ongoing work in nominated occupation
- Subclass 489                      Category 2: Working in Tasmania  
Requires six months' ongoing work
- Subclass 489                      Category 4: Family in Tasmania  
First cousins are no longer eligible under this category
- Subclass 489                      Category 5: Small Business Owner  
Now only for applicants already living in Australia
- Subclass 188/132                Business Migration Programs  
A clearer level of information regarding nomination requirements is now available on the Migration Tasmania website.

All applications lodged prior to 1 July 2018 will be assessed according to previous category requirements providing applicants have achieved a minimum EOI score of 65 points.

All applications lodged on or after 1 July 2018 must comply with the new category requirements to be eligible for visa state nomination.

For further information please refer to both the [Home Affairs](#) and [Migration Tasmania](#) websites.