

Project Change Request (PCR)			
PCR ID:		Date: 24/05/2019	
Change Title:	New Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) visa (Subclass 491)		
Project ID:	Major Legislative Initiative	Project Name:	New Skilled Regional Provisional visas
Project Manager:	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	Project Sponsor:	s. 22(1)(a)(ii) Skilled and Migration Program Section

Role	Name	Date	Recommendation / Decision	TRIM Reference

## Document Change History

Date	Updated by	Version	Reason for change	Detail
24/05/2019	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	0.1	Draft	New draft for Subclass 491 based on <i>ADD2019/559604 PCR Major Legislative Initiative_ New Visa Subclass.</i>
13/06/2019		0.2	Business Review of draft PCR	Updates to draft PCR
18/06/2019		0.3	Further updates	Updates following business review.
12/07/2019		0.4	Further update	Update reflecting BRD – Withdraw nomination
23/07/2019		0.5	Updates following Walkthrough with Employment	Updates to various items in <i>Section 7 Detailed Requirements</i> following walkthrough with Employment on 19/7/2019.

## PCR Review Comments

To be completed by Change Management ONLY – Please do not Remove this table

Complete as required – large projects only

Program Area	Name	Date	Recommendation	TRIM Link
1. Release Management Review		N/A	Accept/Not Accept	
2. PM&G – Financial Review			Accept/Not Accept	
3. Resource Management Review			Accept/Not Accept	
4. Enterprise Architecture Review			Accept/Not Accept	

## Section 1 – Summary Information

Primary Contact Details	Name	Date
Change Initiator	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	24/05/2019

<b>Change Request Type:</b>	Release Change Request <input type="checkbox"/>
	Project Change Request <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Project Change Type</b>	<div>Scope <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Schedule <input type="checkbox"/> Resources <input type="checkbox"/></div> <div>Funding <input type="checkbox"/> Quality <input type="checkbox"/> Deliverables <input type="checkbox"/></div>
<b>Change Required:</b>	<p>Implement a new subclass for skilled visas including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• adding new subclass option to EOI,</li> <li>• enabling new subclass for IM, DPM, DO and State and Territory access,</li> <li>• incorporating new subclass into invitation process, and</li> <li>• amend points test (applies to all GSM visas – 189, 190, 489, 491)</li> </ul>
<b>Is this Project part of a Program?</b>	<div>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></div> <div>No <input type="checkbox"/></div>

<b>Business Driver(s) / Reason for Change:</b>	<p>The government is considering new ways to attract global talent along with measures to support regional Australia's capacity to attract and retain migrants. Replacing the current subclass 489 visa, with the new Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) visa (Subclass 491) with simplified criteria and associated points test, forms part of these considerations.</p> <p>The main difference between the visas is that Subclass 491 visa holders must have lived, worked and studied in a regional area for three years, rather than for two years before they will be eligible to apply for a permanent visa, and will be granted a five year visa rather than a four year visa. In addition, the visa conditions for monitoring compliance with the requirement to live, work and study in regional Australia are strengthened.</p> <p>The aim of the new visa subclass is to support migration to regional Australia by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allocating additional points for regional nomination or sponsorship to provide an extra incentive for potential migrants to consider settling in regional Australia.</li> <li>• Providing access to additional occupations for visa applicants seeking to work in regional Australia.</li> </ul> <p>The new subclass 491 visa will have two technical streams/types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State or Territory Nominated - regional; and</li> <li>• Family Sponsored - regional.</li> </ul> <p>Changes will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhancements to SkillSelect to accept expressions of interest for the two Subclass 491 streams/types.</li> <li>• Prevent new applications into subclasses 489 (first provisional stream only).</li> <li>• Allow applications already in ICSE to be continued to finalisation.</li> <li>• Changes to the Schedule 6D points test that also affects subclasses 189 and 190.</li> </ul> <p>Commencement date is 16 November 2019.</p> <p>GSM visa subclasses 189 and 190, and Business Innovation and Investment program (BIIP) visa subclasses are to continue to operate uninterrupted in SkillSelect while work on the initiative/proposed changes is occurring.</p>
<b>What are the Benefits of doing the change?</b>	Supporting the Government's agenda to take a new approach to provisional/permanent visas.
<b>How will the change impact Benefits Realization as per the approved PIP?</b>	N/A
<b>Business Priority:</b>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <span>High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></span> <span>Medium <input type="checkbox"/></span> <span>Low <input type="checkbox"/></span> </div>



<b>Release(s)/Dates Impacted</b>	TBC – Employment to schedule
<b>Deployment Date of Change</b>	TBC – (see above)
<b>Risk Assessment of proceeding:</b>	Government agenda could change. Regulations could be disallowed.
<b>Risk Assessment of not proceeding:</b>	Unable to deliver Government agenda. New regulations not supported by systems.

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**Section 2 – Part 1 – Change Details**

<b>Change category</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Additional</b> Additional scope and/or functionality to approved PIP base-line.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Removal</b> Permanent removal or reduction of project scope (“de-scoping”) from the approved PIP base-line.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Deferred</b> Deferred capability (scope) delivery - to be delivered as part of future Releases
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Other</b> Legislative requirements

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**Detailed Description of Change**

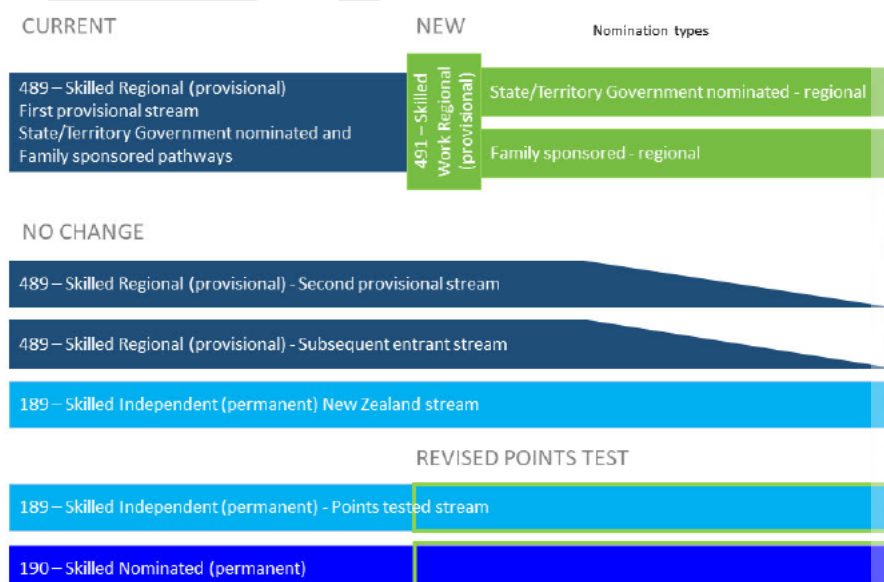
Introduction of a new Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) visa (Subclass 491) which will be points tested. Subclass 491 will require an invitation.

Changes include:

1. Add a new Visa subclass for Intending Migrant (IM) to select/start, draft and submit an Expression Of Interest.
2. Enable points based assessment of the claims made by the IM in the EOI for the new Visa subclass, and ensure points test changes also apply to subclasses 189 and 190.
3. Enable department batch invitations for the new visa by category.
4. Enable nomination of IM for the new visa by State/Territory users by category and enable other functions for State/Territory users.
5. Apply regional postcode rules for new visa.
6. Apply occupational restrictions via occupation lists to new visa.
7. Enable reassessment of subclass eligibility at appropriate times including every 24-hour period.
8. Update web service between SkillSelect and Home Affairs for invitations for new visa – service from SkillSelect to ePlus.
9. Add new visa into Departmental Program Management (DPM) planning console and enable setting of quotas, invitations and management via DPM portal.
10. Add new correspondence functions for the new visa – including new templates.
11. Enable existing correspondence functions for the new visa.
12. Incorporate the new visa into existing reports by category.
13. Archiving solution implemented to enable reporting.
14. URL links and help text to support the changes.
15. Cater for the possibility of disallowance by parliament.

The above changes should leverage existing SkillSelect code and infrastructure where possible.

Please note the following:



Attachments/	
Impacted / Dependent Stakeholders/ Systems/Projects	

## Section 2 – Part 2 –Deferred Scope Only

To be completed ONLY if proposal is for <b>Deferring Scope</b>	
Estimated delivery time of Deferred scope	N/A
Delivery Stakeholders	N/A
Agreement details from new stakeholders	N/A
Funding arrangements for deferred scope	N/A

### Section 3 – Estimate of the Financial & Resource Impacts

**Department of Employment, Skilled, Small and Family Business - Estimates provided through the impact assessment process \*(per change):**

COSTING ESTIMATE (AS PER MOU) for				
Type	Department of Employment/HA	Rate	Hours	Cost
Total (billable hours)				

Costing Formula For Employment is =Total Number of hours (based on 7.5 hr day) x \$100 p/hour + 15% IT Support + 25% standard marginal on-costs and overheads

The Total estimate for Department of Employment, Skilled, Small and Family Business for this PCR is \$

## Section 4: Acronyms and Terminology

The following table contains a list of terms and acronyms used through this document.

Term /Abbreviation	Definition
ANZSCO	Australia and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations
Austrade	Australian Trade Commission
BIIP	Business Innovation and Investment Programme
CDH	Client Data Hub The department's primary client database
CRT	Code Reference Tables An enterprise data resource shared by departmental systems
STSOL (formerly known as CSOL)	Short-term Skilled Occupation List (formerly known as Consolidated Sponsored Occupation List)
DLR	Detailed Level Requirement
DO	Departmental Officer
Employment	Department of Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business
DPM	Departmental Program Manager
EOI	Expression of Interest
ePLUS	eLodgement PLUS system
HA	Department of Home Affairs
HLR	High Level Requirement
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
ICUE	Integrated Client Unified Environment
IELTS	International English Language Testing System
IM	Intending Migrant
NISA	National Innovation and Science Agenda The Government Programme that is driving the two scope items of this project
MLTSSL (formerly known as SOL)	Medium and Long-term Strategic Skills List (formerly known as the Skilled Occupation List)
ROL	Regional Occupation List (formerly known as RSMS).
STEM	Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics An enhanced permanent residency pathway for subclasses 189, 190 and 489, for post-graduate research students with STEM, ICT and related qualifications gained onshore
STG	State or Territory Government Nominates a person who submits an EOI; also nominates an applicant for an 888 visa
STN	State nominated position

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## Section 5: Associated documents

This document is part of a series of related documents relevant to the changes being made. Relevant information not covered in this document may be covered in one or more of these other documents.

\*Note repeat for each change

Document Type	Document name	Path or TRIM Reference
Business Requirements Document	Business Requirements for New Skilled Regional Provisional visas Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) visa (Subclass 491)	ADD2019/2267609
Project Change Request	PCR SkillSelect Archiving	ADD2019/3173426 (VCM 8066)



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### Extract from BRD - Business Requirements for Major Legislative Initiative - Work Visa

#### Section 6: Business Requirements

The table below lists the business requirements specified for the (Change Request or System Releases) that impact SkillSelect system.

#### Changes Required

##### Transitional Requirement (TR)

Note: Transitional requirements identified under the MLI project were implemented in SkillSelect in December 2018. A switch was integrated into the code and when the release was postponed the changes made were 'switched off'. For the November 2019 release it will be necessary to amend those changes to align with the requirements outlined below.

HLR ID	DLR ID / Requirement Description		Priority	Notes	CDS comments
HLR.PW.TR.01	Functionality to support transition to new subclass				Advice from ICUE Program: To go live on. TBC
	DLR.PW.TR.01.01	Intending migrants no longer be able to start, edit or submit EOI's for 489 from 11 September 2019.	Must Have		<b>Partially delivered under MLI in December 2018. Subclass 189 and 190 will need to be reinstated</b>

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	DLR.PW.TR.01.02	Existing EOI's for 489 in SUBMITTED or SUSPENDED status/s changed to DRAFT status on 11 September 2019 (so that they are unable to be invited after the planned invitation round which will run at midnight on 10 September 2019).	Must Have		<b>Partially delivered under MLI in December 2018. Subclass 189 and 190 will need to be reinstated.</b>
	DLR.PW.TR.01.03	Notify intending migrants whose EOI status has been changed from SUBMITTED or SUSPENDED to DRAFT of this change.	Must Have		<b>Partial delivery in December 2018 release.</b>
	DLR.PW.TR.01.04	<del>Archive existing EOI's greater than 2 years in DRAFT or CLOSED status/s from date TBC.</del> <u>Removed at business request. Archiving requirements stated at DLR.PW.REP.01.20 in BRD</u>	Must Have		Archiving now addressed in separate PCR TRIM Ref: ADD2019/3173426
	DLR.PW.TR.01.05	Allow intending migrants who have been invited to apply for a 489 to continue to monitor the status of their EOI.	Must Have		<b>Delivered in December 2018 release.</b>  No Changes were required.
	DLR.PW.TR.01.06	Invitations for subclass 489 are not issued by the department or in response to nomination by a State or Territory government after 10 September 2019.	Must Have	Expected to be at least 60 days prior to 16 November 2019 – so that there are no active invitations when the new subclass comes into effect.	<b>Partially delivered under MLI in December 2018. Subclass 189 and 190 will need to be reinstated.</b>

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	DLR.PW.TR.01.07	Relevant clients are advised of the visa changes	Should Have	Communication on SkillSelect website regarding changes for intending migrants, State/Territory government nominators. (excluded AUStrade). Content should include advice to encourage IMs to submit EOIs for the new visa.	Date TBC

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### Expression of Interest (EOI)

An applicant must submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) through SkillSelect with details of their nominated occupation, skills and qualifications. SkillSelect will estimate a points score and rank the applicant against other intending migrants. If the applicant is ranked high enough and there are places available against their nominated occupation, they will be invited to apply for the visa.

If they are invited, they have 60 calendar days to apply for the visa.

HLR ID	DLR ID / Requirement Description		Priority	Notes	CDS comments
HLR.PW.EOI.01	Enable an EOI for the new subclass visa				In scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.01.01	Allow EOI for the following invitation pathways for new subclass 491: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family Sponsored - regional</li> <li>State/Territory Government nominated-regional</li> </ul>	Must Have	New functionality	In scope
HLR.PW.EOI.02	An intending migrant for the new subclass 491 visa can start, save a draft of, edit, submit an EOI so that they may be able to be considered for invitation.				In scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.01	All intending migrants can amend the Expression of Interest up to the point of Invitation.	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.02	Implement changes to the points test for existing subclasses 189 and 190. These will also apply to the new subclass 491.	Must Have	New functionality	In scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.03	Points are calculated automatically based on the information supplied by Intending migrant on EOI.	Must Have	Existing functionality	In scope

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	DLR.PW.EOI.02.04	Points are automatically recalculated when relevant supplied information is changed.	Must Have	Age, change of circumstances Utilising existing functionality	In scope
	<del>DLR.PW.EOI.02.05</del>	<del>Cater for Exceptionally Talented intending migrant and new body.</del> No requirement			
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.06	Clear guidance on Expression of Interest rules provided to intending migrants.	Must Have	Provide clear on screen guidance and/or help text.	In scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.07	Allow intending migrants to lodge different EOIs based on different occupations	Must Have	Existing functionality	In scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.08	Remove EOI date of effect from Points test PDF document.	Should Have		Out of scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.09	In SkillSelect, wherever reference is made to 'username' rename it to 'EOI Number'.	Must Have		In scope Business have advised EOI ID not EOI Number.
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.10	EOI status to return to DRAFT when threshold criteria no longer met.	Must Have	System to advise clients when English language test expires. Existing functionality	In scope

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	DLR.PW.EOI.02.11	Allow intending migrants to select more than one preferred State or Territory in Australia in addition to selecting all jurisdictions or only one.	Must Have	Note that the functionality to allow intending migrants to select more than one preferred location was not previously available.	In scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.12	Identify and prevent invalid duplicate EOIs from the same person.	WON'T	Requirement excluded from scope.	Out of scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.13	All EOI's for the same person closed once an EOI is closed on the finalisation of a visa application for that person.	WON'T	Requirement excluded from scope.	Out of scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.14	Ability to remove Message board notifications from list that are no longer used or obsolete.	Should Have		
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.15	Increase occupation search function to allow more than 10 occupations to be selected at once.	Should Have		
	DLR.PW.EOI.02.16	The EOI system to increase current 300-character limit to 1000 characters for notifications.	Should Have		
HLR.PW.EOI.03	State and Territory user and Departmental user to be able to access EOI functionality for Subclass 491				In scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.03.01	Access for the State and Territory governments' EOI functionality for subclass 491.	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.EOI.03.02	Access for the Department's EOI functionality for subclass 491.	Must Have		In scope
HLR.PW.EOI.04	<del>Body for Exceptionally Talented to be able to access EOI functionality for Subclass.</del> No requirement				

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## Invitation (INV)

HLR ID	DLR ID / Requirement Description		Priority	Notes	CDS Comments
HLR.PW.INV.01	Departmental user to be able invite intending migrants to the new subclass.				In scope
	DLR.PW.INV.01.01	EOIs that are for family sponsored regional are automatically ranked.	Must Have	Existing functionality	In scope
	DLR.PW.INV.01.02	Departmental invites for EOIs for family sponsored regional are automatically generated.	Must Have	Existing functionality	In scope
	DLR.PW.INV.01.03	Ability to manage the occupation lists and quotas for each subclass, including 491.	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.INV.01.04	Suppress invitations from being issued if subclass quota has been reached (by stream/type)	Must Have	Existing functionality	In scope
		This requirement has been removed.			
HLR.PW.INV.02	State and Territory user to be able to access Invitation functionality for Subclass 491.				In scope
	DLR.PW.INV.02.01	Access for State and Territory governments' Invitation functionality for subclass 491 (separate to subclass 190).	Must Have		In scope



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	DLR.PW.INV.02.02	<p><del>The ability for State and Territory Governments to withdraw a nomination for a subclass 491, 489 or 190. This would result in any invitation issued to a potential applicant no longer being valid.</del></p> <p><del>This would also require departmental systems to be updated if an invitation had been used to start a visa application.</del></p> <p><del>The following business rules need to be applied when a nomination is withdrawn by the nominating body:</del></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><del>• If the nomination is withdrawn after nomination and before invitation – do NOT issue an invitation.</del></li> <li><del>• If the nomination is withdrawn after the invitation has been sent but before lodgement of the visa application, the visa application cannot be lodged.</del></li> <li><del>• If the nomination is withdrawn after the visa application has been lodged, the visa cannot be granted.</del></li> <li><del>• If the visa has already been granted, the nomination cannot be withdrawn.</del></li> </ul> <p><del>The status of the Expression of Interest (EOI) would also need to be reset so the Intending Migrant (IM) can be nominated by other state or territory bodies.</del></p>	<p><del>Must Have</del></p> <p><del>Priority to be discussed further.</del></p>		<p><del>In scope</del></p> <p>Future release</p>
HLR.PW.INV.03	No requirement.				

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HLR ID	DLR ID / Requirement Description		Priority	Notes	CDS comments
HLR.PW.COM.01	Communication to intending migrants at specific points of the EOI and invitation stage for the new subclass.				In scope
	DLR.PW.COM.01.01	Ability to update the existing correspondence templates in the EOI and invitation stages with new text.	Must Have	Previous discussions limited this to new templates for the new subclass. However, this may need to be considered again as the previous proposal did not include continuing subclasses.	In scope  This is not a change to the User Interface. It's understood that this refers to the automated correspondence, not templates created by the DPM via Admin portal
	DLR.PW.COM.01.02	Ability to add new templates for correspondence for subclass 491.	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.COM.01.03	Ability to automate the correspondence based on specific rules or for certain scenarios.	WON'T Have	Removal previously agreed.	Out of Scope
	DLR.PW.COM.01.04	Ability to amend the notification with messaging for transition period.	Must Have	Timeframe TBC	No changes required and part of Transition requirements.
	DLR.PW.COM.01.05	Ability to add a news flash to communicate the new changes.	Must Have		In scope  No changes required.

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### Reporting (REP)

HLR ID	DLR ID / Requirement Description		Priority	Notes	CDS comments
HLR.PW.REP.01	Functionality to support MOU reporting and frequency of reporting for the new subclass 491.				
	DLR.PW.REP.01.01	Invitation Run Report	Must Have	Frequency - By lunch time after each invitation round	In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.02	Monthly Activities Report	Must Have	Frequency - By COB Friday in the first week of the month	In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.03	Reconciliation Report	Must Have	Frequency - Before invitation round	In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.04	Ad-hoc report requested by the Client	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.05	Performance Report	WON'T Have	Reports not available currently and not required for new subclass.	Out of Scope Reports do not exist.
	DLR.PW.REP.01.06	Development Activities (Enhancement & Maintenance) Report	WON'T Have	Reports not available currently and not required for new subclass.	Out of Scope Reports do not exist.

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	DLR.PW.REP.01.07	Production Incident and Resolution Report	WON'T Have	Reports not available currently and not required for new subclass.	Out of Scope Reports do not exist.
	DLR.PW.REP.01.08	Monthly report on EOI's submitted.	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.09	Detailed State or Territory report.	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.10	Summary report for Invitations issued per state.	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.11	Monthly report on Employers activity (where applicable)	Could	Future state could possibly require reopening and/or repurposing this currently closed portal, hence retaining ability to report	<del>In scope</del> Future release
	DLR.PW.REP.01.12	Monthly report on EOI <b>OUTCOMES</b>	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.13	Detailed report on all EOIs <b>SUBMITTED</b> for the period	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.14	Report of <b>SUBMITTED</b> EOIs for a period and ON HAND for State and Territory Government Nominated Visa Subclasses	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.15	Report of <b>NEW EOIs SUBMITTED</b> for State and Territory Government Nominated Visa Subclasses	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.16	Report summary of <b>INVITATIONS</b>	Must Have		In scope

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	DLR.PW.REP.01.17	Report on EOI <b>INVITATIONS</b>	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.18	Departmental Program Manager (DPM) Threshold Eligibility Settings report for Skilled Migration.	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.19	DPM Points Settings report	Must Have		In scope
	DLR.PW.REP.01.20	Archiving Strategy – ability to exclude old data from reporting and only run reports with recent data. All EOIs more than 2 years old to be archived.	Must Have	There is too much data in SkillSelect and this is causing reports to time out and not run as they are too large.	
	DLR.PW.REP.01.21	Resolve cause of '500 Server Error' when running SkillSelect reports and prevent this from occurring.	Must Have	The understanding is that this error will be resolved by implementation of archiving in line with DLR.PW.REP.01.20. The requirement is maintained in this document in case additional or alternative work is required to prevent the error from occurring.	

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### Online lodgement (LO)

The ability for an applicant to apply for new subclass will only be through online lodgement. The requirements listed below are designed to facilitate the ability for an applicant to apply online. It is expected the existing online lodgement form for subclass 189, 190 and 489 can be used with changes to reflect the new regulations and to better reflect the changes being made to the departmental website as part of the website redesign.

The ability to lodge an application for subclasses 489 is to be disabled on the date the new visa subclass 491 comes into effect (489 Renewal and Subsequent Entrant forms to be retained).

**Important:** Skilled points tested visas are currently all lodged online and do not have alternate lodgement. The same will continue for the new subclass.

HLR ID	DLR ID / Requirement Description		Priority	Notes	CDS comments
	DLR.PW.LO.03.15	The nominated occupation for the primary applicant on the Skills Assessment page to be automatically populated by the EOI system AND this field cannot be updated/changed by the applicant.	Must		



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	DLR.PW.LO.03.17	<p>If the primary applicant is claiming points for partner skills, populate the Skills assessment page with the following information from the EOI:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the partner's skilled occupation. Unlike the primary applicant's occupation this CAN be changed on the visa application form.</li> <li>Details of the partner's skills assessment.</li> </ul>	Must	Although the partner's skilled occupation can be changed, in order to be eligible for points, the spouse must nominate a skilled occupation that was on the list at the time of invitation and must have a satisfactory skills assessment at the time of invitation for an occupation on that list.	
	DLR.PW.LO.03.18	The education details of the primary applicant to be populated on the form.	Must	This is existing functionality between ePlus and SkillSelect.	Check this is true

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	DLR.PW.LO.03.19	The employment details (both in Australia and overseas) of the primary applicant to be populated on the form.	Must	This is existing functionality between ePlus and SkillSelect.	Check this is true
	DLR.PW.LO.03.21	Each component of the skilled points details and the total points score claimed by the applicant at time of invitation to be populated and displayed on the form.	Must Have	Use points test summary table design from earlier MLI work.	In scope Transfer exists between ePlus and SkillSelect. Total points score is new.

### Section 7: Detail of changes

#### 1.1.1 Transitional requirements

Item Number	Change	Description of change	Change Type	Reason for Change	Business Priority
	DLR.PW.TR.01.01	Intending migrants no longer be able to start, edit or submit EOI's for 489 from 11 September 2019.			
	DLR.PW.TR.01.02	Existing EOI's for 489 in SUBMITTED or SUSPENDED status/s changed to DRAFT status on 11 September 2019 (so that they are unable to be invited after the planned invitation round which will run at midnight on 10 September 2019).			

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	DLR.PW.TR.01.03	Notify intending migrants whose EOI status has been changed from SUBMITTED or SUSPENDED to DRAFT of this change.			
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1.1.2 Changes Required					
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1	Add new EOI for Subclass 491	<p><u>1.1: IM to provide biodata details in EOI form.</u> Utilise existing 'Personal Details' page and retain 'Confirm Provided information' page.</p> <p><i>Notes: eLP form unlikely to change, preference to retain existing functionality. However, changes to ePlus will need to be accommodated.</i></p> <p><u>1.2: IM will indicate intention for Subclass 491 types on 'Select visa types' page.</u> Utilise existing 'Select visa types' page and add Subclass 491 options.</p> <p><i>Notes:</i> No longer using intention statements as checkboxes will remain for subclass 189 and 190. <i>Confirmed by business.</i></p> <p><del><u>1.3: IM will be advised which visa subclass type they may be considered for given their selection on the 'visa types' page.</u></del> <del>This requirement is new to the current EOI Form flow.</del></p> <p><i>Notes:</i> <i>No longer necessary if we are not using 'intention statements'.</i></p> <p><u>1.4: IM provides an indication of whether family members are likely to accompany the IM on the visa application or in the future.</u> Utilise existing 'Family members' page.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes advised for question set.</i></p> <p><u>1.5: IM provides information about preferred locations in Australia.</u> Utilise existing preferred locations page with some changes to functionality. Expand State/Territory dropdown to multi-pick.</p>			
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		<p><i>Notes: The business area understands the Preferred Locations in Australia page is used by the Business Innovation and Investment Program (BIIP) visas and that the change to how preferred state/territories are selected will apply to subclasses 190, 491 and BIIP subclasses.</i></p> <p><u>1.6: IM to provide information of English Language ability.</u> Utilise existing 'English language' pages.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes advised for question set.</i></p> <p><u>1.7: IM to provide information of education and qualifications.</u> Utilise existing 'Education' page.</p> <p><i>Note:</i> <i>Changes are required to the wording of questions and helptext.</i></p> <p><u>1.8: IM to provide information about nominated occupation and related skills assessment undertaken.</u> Utilise existing 'Skills assessment' page.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes advised for question set.</i></p> <p><del>Changes are anticipated to the Occupation Lists and will include adding new Occupations to the ROL for Subclass 491. Any changes in Occupation lists are to be reflected in lower environments to facilitate accurate testing.</del></p> <p><u>1.9: IM to provide information about claiming points for 'Partner skills'.</u> Utilise existing 'Partner skills qualifications' page.</p> <p><i>Note:</i> <i>Changes to question set may be required to accommodate Points Test changes</i></p> <p><u>1.10: IM to provide details of Employment history.</u></p>			
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		<p>Utilise existing 'Employment' page.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes advised for question set.</i></p> <p><u>1.11: IM will be able to review and confirm claims against new points test items on the 'Confirmation of Points' page.</u> Utilise existing functionality for this page with any relevant changes.</p> <p><i>Note: Changes to the points test will be required.</i></p> <p><u>1.12: IM will be able to declare they understand what they are submitting in their EOI form.</u> Utilise existing declarations page.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes advised to this page.</i></p> <p><u>1.13: IM will be able to review all answers and confirm they are correct prior to submitting EOI.</u> Utilise functionality of existing review page noting some changes will flow from changes to the question sets and possible answers.</p> <p><i>Note: Any changes to this page will relate to changes in other pages</i></p> <p><u>1.14: IM will be able to review the 'Visa Type Summary' page with relevant 'Result' messages.</u> Utilise existing 'Visa Type Summary' page and include ability to deselect subclass and other existing functions.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes to functionality is expected to this page however, result messages are likely to require update.</i></p> <p><u>1.15: IM will register through SkillSelect to start an EOI for Subclass 491 or be able to add Subclass 491 to an existing EOI in DRAFT or SUBMITTED.</u> Utilise existing SkillSelect functions. There is one change and that is to harmonise the term used for the EOI ID. It will no</p>			
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		<p>longer appear as 'username' or 'UserID' on the SkillSelect logon page. This text will be changed to 'EOI ID'. This impacts the logon screen and the SkillSelect Account created correspondence (to be addressed in correspondence requirements).</p> <p><i>Note: This is to confirm usual functions and note the need to harmonise the terms EOI Id.</i></p> <p><u>1.16: The EOI PDF will be generated and available for the IM and other users to view.</u></p> <p>Utilise and replicate existing functionality for 491.</p> <p><i>Note: Expect user types that can view PDF to be the same as the existing settings for the equivalent subclass visa types.</i></p> <p><u>1.17: The Points Breakdown PDF function will be available to the IM.</u></p> <p>Utilise existing functionality but note that changes in the Points Test Items and new name of Subclass types will impact the PDF.</p> <p><i>Note: Any changes to this page will relate to changes explained in other requirements regarding updates to the form/changes to the Points Test. There may be changes required to the EOI .pdf 'template'.</i></p> <p><u>1.18: The IM must be able to update their EOI for the Subclass 491 visa subclass types.</u></p> <p>Utilise existing functionality.</p> <p><i>Note: This is to confirm usual functions and no change is expected.</i></p>			
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		<p><u>1.19: IM to provide information about a Family Sponsorship for the Family Sponsorship visa type including the relevant eligible postcode.</u></p> <p>Utilise existing functionality. Please reference section 3 below.</p> <p><i>Note: There may be a change to the name of designated area to designated regional area.</i></p>			
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2	<p>Implement points test for the new Subclass 491; <b>and Subclass 189 and 190.</b></p>	<p><i>2.1: The Points Test will include an 'Age' component for the IM. Utilise the existing 'Age' Points Test Item.</i></p> <p><i>Note: Same points and same logic.</i></p> <p><i>2.2: The Points Test will include an 'English Language' component for the IM. Utilise the existing 'English Language' Points Test Item.</i></p> <p><i>Note: Same points and same logic.</i></p> <p><i>2.3: The Points Test will include an 'Overseas employment experience qualifications' component for the IM. Utilise the existing 'Overseas employment experience qualifications' Points Test Item.</i></p> <p><i>Note: Same points and same logic.</i></p> <p><i>2.4: The Points Test will include an 'Australian employment experience qualifications' component for the IM. Utilise the existing 'Australian employment experience qualifications' Points Test Item.</i></p> <p><i>Note: Same points and same logic.</i></p> <p><i>2.5: The Points Test will include an 'Aggregating points for employment experience qualifications' component for the IM to be applied to the 'Overseas employment experience qualifications' and 'Australian employment experience qualifications'. Utilise the existing 'Aggregating points for employment experience qualifications' Points Test Item.</i></p> <p><i>Note: Same points and same logic.</i></p> <p><i>2.6: The Points Test will include an 'Australian professional year qualifications' component for the IM.</i></p>			
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		<p><i>Utilise the existing 'Australian professional year qualifications' Points Test Item.</i></p> <p><i>Note: Same points and same logic.</i></p> <p><i>2.7: The Points Test will include an 'Educational qualifications' component for the IM.</i>  <i>Utilise the existing 'Educational qualifications' Points Test Item.</i></p> <p><i>Note: Same points and same logic.</i></p> <p><i>2.8: The Points Test will include a 'Specialist educational qualifications' component for the IM.</i>  <i>Utilise the existing 'Specialist educational qualifications' Points Test Item with a change in points from 5 to 10.</i></p> <p><i>Note: A change to the amount of points from 5 to 10 points will be needed.</i></p> <p><i>2.9: The Points Test will include an 'Australian study qualifications' component for the IM.</i>  <i>Utilise the existing 'Australian study qualifications' Points Test Item.</i></p> <p><i>Note: Same points and same logic.</i></p> <p><i>2.10: The Points Test will include a 'Credentialled community language qualifications' component for the IM.</i>  <i>Utilise the existing 'Credentialled community language qualifications' Points Test Item.</i></p> <p><i>Note: Same points and same logic.</i></p> <p><i>2.11: The Points Test will include a 'Study in regional Australia qualification' component for the IM.</i>  <i>Utilise the existing 'Study in regional Australia or a low-population growth metropolitan area qualifications' Points Test Item.</i></p>			
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*Note:*

*This part will now be referred to as "Study in a designated regional area qualification". No points change.*

*Same points and same logic. Slight change to name of Part which is to be reflected wherever this Part is referred to. Please see 1.17 and 13.11.*

*2.12: The Points Test will include a 'Partner skill qualification' component for the partner of the IM.*

*There are now three points test items for Partner points:*

Item		Points
6D111	The spouse or de facto partner of the applicant (the primary applicant):	
	<p><i>(a) is an applicant for the same subclass of visa as the primary applicant; and</i></p> <p><i>(b) is not an Australian permanent resident or an Australian citizen; and</i></p> <p><i>(c) was under 45 at the time the invitation to apply for the visa was issued to the primary applicant; and</i></p> <p><i>(d) at the time of invitation to apply for the visa, nominated a skilled occupation, being an occupation specified by the Minister under paragraph 1.15I(1)(a) at that time; and</i></p> <p><i>(e) at the time of invitation to apply for the visa, had been assessed by the</i></p>	10

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			relevant assessing authority for the nominated skilled occupation as having suitable skills for the occupation and the assessment was not for a Subclass 485 (Temporary Graduate) visa; and (f) at the time of invitation to apply for the visa, had competent English				
		6D112 New	The applicant (the primary applicant) either:				
			(a) Does not have a spouse or de facto partner; or (b) Has a spouse or de facto partner who is an Australian permanent resident or Australian citizen.	10			
		6D113 New	The spouse or de facto partner of the applicant (the primary applicant):				
			(a) is an applicant for the same subclass of visa as the primary applicant; and (b) is not an Australian permanent resident or an Australian citizen; and (c) at the time of invitation to apply for the visa, had competent English	5			

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		<p><i>Note: It appears to be possible for a spouse or de facto partner to meet the criteria for both 6D111 and 6D113 at the same time.</i></p> <p><i>It has been confirmed that if an IM satisfies criteria for more than one item (above), then they are allocated points for the one that attracts the highest number of points. This is covered under 2.26AC (4) which has been amended to include 491.</i></p>		
		<p><u>2.13: The Points Test will include a 'State or Territory nomination qualifications' component for the IM when nominated by a State/Territory user.</u> Utilise the existing 'State or Territory nomination qualifications' Points Test Item.</p> <p><i>Note: Same points and same logic.</i></p> <p><u>2.14: The Points Test will include a 'Regional nomination or sponsorship qualifications' component of the IM when nominated by a State/Territory user or whose invitation is for the Family Sponsored visa subclass type.</u> Utilise the existing 'Designated area sponsorship qualifications' Points Test Item.</p> <p><i>Note: A change to the amount of points from 10 to 15. Slight change to name of Part which is to be reflected wherever this Part is referred to.. Please see 1.17 and 13.11.</i></p>		

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3.	Regional Postcode rules	<p><u>3.1: The existing rules regarding regional postcodes will be applied to the new product.</u> Utilise existing functionality for regional postcodes where required, i.e. postcode of family sponsor.</p> <p><i>Note: Employment have advised If changes are identified later a separate PCR will be needed as this is likely to be a significant piece of work depending on what the changes are due to complexities of how this is implemented in SkillSelect.</i></p> <p><b>Checking with policy to confirm detail.</b></p>			
4.	Occupational lists	<p><u>4.1: The existing occupation lists will be applied to the new product.</u> Utilise the existing functionality for the new visa subclass.</p> <p><i>Note:</i> <del>There are changes to the Occupation Lists expected and this may include adding Occupations for Subclass 491 new to the ROL.</del> Existing Administrative Console functions are expected to be available</p> <p><i>The database tables supporting this function need to be reviewed as they are currently not structured according to the regulations from a systems perspective.</i></p>			



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5.	Increase information in EOI regarding rules	<p><u>5.1: The Helptext both on screen and pop up; and via URLs, for all user types will be reviewed and updated for the new product.</u> Use existing helptext as a starting point but it is expected there will be significant change to the text.</p> <p><i>Note: All Helptext will need to be reviewed and details will need to be confirmed when the regulations are available. This includes potential changes to URLs for all subclasses.</i></p> <p><u>5.2: New Helptext will be required for the new product across all user types.</u> Utilising on screen and pop up helptext functionality. The amount of on screen helptext is likely to increase.</p> <p><i>Note: It is expected that on screen Helptext will be enhanced and expanded to improve the client experience.</i></p> <p><u>5.3: The Helptext code will need to be managed in an on/off mode as per the requirements to be able to manage disallowance.</u> Employment have provided this as the best solution for limiting the risk for managing different versions of Helptext.</p>			
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6.	Managing EOI statuses/eligibility	<p><u>6.1: Changes to EOI Status changes are the same as for existing subclasses and are summarised below</u></p> <table><tr><th>Status Transition triggers</th><th>Status Change</th></tr><tr><td>IM Submits EOI</td><td>DRAFT - SUBMITTED</td></tr><tr><td>Automatic process of <u>recalculating points and eligibility</u> after reference data changes or age can result in the EOI not being eligible in which case the EOI reverts to DRAFT</td><td>SUBMITTED - DRAFT</td></tr><tr><td>IM puts the EOI on HOLD</td><td>SUBMITTED - HOLD</td></tr><tr><td>Automatic invite or ST nomination</td><td>SUBMITTED - INVITED</td></tr><tr><td>IM Withdraws in SkillSelect, EOI Expires, Home Affairs cancels EOI</td><td>SUBMITTED - CLOSED</td></tr><tr><td>IM Releases EOI from HOLD</td><td>HOLD - SUBMITTED</td></tr><tr><td>EOI expires or Home Affairs cancels EOI</td><td>HOLD - CLOSED</td></tr><tr><td>Invite expires after 60 days</td><td>INVITED - SUBMITTED</td></tr><tr><td>IM Lodged and processing system notifies SkillSelect</td><td>INVITED - LODGED</td></tr><tr><td>IM has two unactioned invites or EOI expires</td><td>INVITED - CLOSED</td></tr><tr><td>Application was otherwise finalised in the processing system, (for first invite only), or was Invalid (first invite after the 60 day expiry period)</td><td>LODGED - SUBMITTED</td></tr><tr><td>Application was Invalid (first or second invite, within the 60 day expiry period)</td><td>LODGED - INVITED</td></tr><tr><td>Application is Granted, Withdrawn, Refused or EOI expires. Application is Otherwise Finalised (second invite) or</td><td>LODGED - CLOSED</td></tr></table>	Status Transition triggers	Status Change	IM Submits EOI	DRAFT - SUBMITTED	Automatic process of <u>recalculating points and eligibility</u> after reference data changes or age can result in the EOI not being eligible in which case the EOI reverts to DRAFT	SUBMITTED - DRAFT	IM puts the EOI on HOLD	SUBMITTED - HOLD	Automatic invite or ST nomination	SUBMITTED - INVITED	IM Withdraws in SkillSelect, EOI Expires, Home Affairs cancels EOI	SUBMITTED - CLOSED	IM Releases EOI from HOLD	HOLD - SUBMITTED	EOI expires or Home Affairs cancels EOI	HOLD - CLOSED	Invite expires after 60 days	INVITED - SUBMITTED	IM Lodged and processing system notifies SkillSelect	INVITED - LODGED	IM has two unactioned invites or EOI expires	INVITED - CLOSED	Application was otherwise finalised in the processing system, (for first invite only), or was Invalid (first invite after the 60 day expiry period)	LODGED - SUBMITTED	Application was Invalid (first or second invite, within the 60 day expiry period)	LODGED - INVITED	Application is Granted, Withdrawn, Refused or EOI expires. Application is Otherwise Finalised (second invite) or	LODGED - CLOSED			
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		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 10px;">Invalid (second invite after 60 day expiry period)</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When EOI Status is CLOSED Intending Migrants will not be able to login to SkillSelect.</li> <li>EOIs that are CLOSED will have a 'closed reason'.</li> <li>SkillSelect will monitor all EOIs in the DRAFT, SUBMITTED and HOLD status for length of time in SkillSelect</li> <li>EOIs will expire after two years (i.e. system will change status to CLOSED.)</li> <li>Occupation List changes: If the IM entered an occupation in their EOI that no longer belongs to the revised occupation list then, if EOI Status is SUBMITTED/HOLD the EOI status is to be set to DRAFT, otherwise no change to status is required.</li> </ul> <p><i>Note: These rules are from baseline documents and may need to be verified during the build process.</i></p> <p><u>6.2 Calculating points and eligibility:</u> Calculation of points and eligibility is to be done using the batch job run at Employment.</p> <p>Business rules for treatment of EOIs following a points and eligibility recalculation are the same as for existing subclasses.</p> <p><i>Note: These rules are from baseline documents and may need to be verified during the build process.</i></p>			
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7.	State/Territory user portal	<p><u>7.1: The State/Territory user will be able to identify IMs to nominate who have selected State/Territory paths –State/Territory Nominated Regional.</u> These are the categories that State/Territory users should be able to access as well as any other existing accesses that are not 489. Add dropdown option to Visa Program search parameter for Subclass 491 - wording to be confirmed. Please also note any existing rules of visibility, i.e. EOI status/invitation status/nomination status.</p> <p><i>Note: Please note the changes to the Preferred Locations page are not expected to impact the search parameters. Please note the rules of visibility for EOI status should apply in the same way for the Subclass 491.</i></p> <p><u>7.2: The State/Territory user will be able to search in the 'Group search' or 'Individual search' screen for IMs.</u> As per categories identified in 7.1.</p> <p><i>Note: As above will need to add Subclass 491 to Program search parameter dropdown, wording to be advised. Please note the changes to the Preferred Locations page are not expected to impact the search parameters. No change to other existing functions required including to display of search results except to refer to Subclass 491 in Visa Subclass column.</i></p> <p><u>7.3: The State/Territory user will be able to view the EOI details of an IM and initiate contact and/or nominate the IM.</u> Screens for Contact Information and Nominate should be the same as they are now.</p> <p><i>Note: no change to existing functions required except to refer to Subclass 491.</i></p> <p><u>7.4: The State/Territory user will be able to search and find their current Nominations and see the status of these nominations.</u> Existing parameters for this should apply – including which statuses the State/Territory user can view EOIs for.</p> <p><i>Note: no change to existing functions required.</i></p> <p><u>7.5: The State/Territory user will be able to search for correspondence that relates to their nominations.</u></p>			
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		<p>The correspondence search screens for contacts initiated and messages received should remain the same. This includes individual contacts, invitations, messages sent to State/Territory user from DPM.</p> <p><i>Note: Please refer to section 10 and 11 for changes to correspondence.</i></p> <p><u>7.6: The State/Territory user will be able to view Planning levels.</u> There will be a transition period where planning levels for existing Points Tested Skilled migration and new Points Tested visas overlap. States and territories should be able to view separate subclass 491 planning levels</p> <p><i>Note: A change is needed to the planning level tab across relevant users to accommodate the new visa and the transition period between the existing program and the new program</i></p> <p><u>7.7: The State/Territory user will be able to view and update the business details for the nominating 'business'.</u> This screen and the parameters and functions around it should remain the same.</p> <p><i>Note: no change to existing functions required.</i></p> <p><u>7.8: The State/Territory user will be able to access reports that are currently available and the subclass 491 data as this relates to the existing reports.</u> Currently the State/Territory user can access Report 2: Detailed State or Territory report, Report 7: Submitted EOIs for period and on hand for State and Territory Government Nominated Visa Subclasses and Report 8: New EOIs submitted for State and Territory Government Nominated Visa Subclasses.</p> <p><i>Note: A change is needed to accommodate the new visa and the transition period between the existing program and the new program however this will be included in the reporting requirements.</i></p> <p><u>7.9: The State/Territory user will be able to withdraw a nomination until the IM lodges a visa application.</u> This is new functionality and we expect it to appear on the 'SkillSelect Expression of Interest' Page.</p>			
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		<p><del>Note: Screen designs to be provided. We will require an 'Are you sure?' pop up.</del></p> <p><u>7.10: When a State/Territory user withdraws a nomination the EOI will return to a 'SUBMITTED' state.</u>  This is new functionality. The change of EOI status must occur in a short period (i.e. instantaneous). The active period of the EOI (two years from initial submission) will remain the same.</p> <p><del>Note: This will also require correspondence — refer to correspondence items.</del></p> <p><u>7.11: When a State/Territory user withdraws a nomination the nomination and invitation will have a new status.</u>  This is a new status. The new nomination status will be 'nomination withdrawn'. The new invitation status will be 'invitation withdrawn'. The withdrawal of an invitation can either be triggered by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A State/Territory User withdrawing a nomination, this will trigger the withdrawal of the associated invitation.</li> <li>• A DPM user withdrawing an invitation, where there is an associated nomination this will trigger the Nomination to be withdrawn.</li> </ul> <p><del>Note: This status should not impact the ability for the EOI to be invited or nominated again.</del></p> <p><u>7.12: The State/Territory portal will continue to display the same widgets on the right hand of the screen, i.e. Planning levels (for each subclass), related links and Newsflash.</u>  Utilise existing screen design. The presentation of the Planning Levels might need to be revised.</p> <p><del>Note: This is impacted by question regarding reporting across the different Points Test subclasses through transition.</del></p>			
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8.	DPM portal	<p><u>8.1: The DPM user will be able to use the Search screen which includes Group, Individual, Employer, S&amp;T/Other Entities and EOI History search functions.</u> Utilise existing functions. Add dropdown option to Visa Program search parameter for Subclass 491.</p> <p><i>Note: Please note the changes to the Preferred Locations page are not expected to impact the search parameters.</i></p> <p><u>8.2: The DPM user will be able to use the Planning Levels screen which includes Invitation plan, Invitation run history and Invitations to date.</u> Utilise existing functions – including settings for invitation run.</p> <p><u>8.3: The DPM user will be able to use the Reports screen to access the 13 existing SkillSelect reports.</u> Utilise existing functions.</p> <p><i>Note: Formatting of reports in reporting requirements below.</i></p> <p><u>8.4: The DPM user will be able to use the Correspondence screen.</u> Utilise existing functions and refer to changes in Correspondence section</p> <p><i>Note: Please refer to section 10 and 11 for changes to correspondence.</i></p> <p><u>8.5: The DPM user will be able to use the Manage settings screen to add, change and remove settings in the ANZSCO, ANZSCO ceilings, Nomination ceilings, Points test pass mark settings, Notifications and Assessing authorities tabs.</u> Utilise existing functionality and apply to the new visa subclass.</p> <p><i>Note: All functions are relevant for Subclass 491.</i></p> <p><u>8.6: The DPM user will be able to use the Manage users screen to manage access of Departmental Program Manager users, S&amp;T/Other Entity Users and S&amp;T Other Entities.</u> Utilise the existing functionality for the new visa subclass.</p> <p><i>Note: All functions are relevant for Subclass 491.</i></p>			
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		<p><del>8.7: The DPM user will be able to withdraw an invitation until the IM lodges a visa application.</del> Requirement removed from BRD.</p> <p><del>8.8: When a DPM user withdraws an invitation the EOJ will return to a 'SUBMITTED' state.</del> Requirement removed from BRD.</p> <p><del>8.9: The DPM portal will display Planning Levels and Related Links.</del> Utilise existing screen design.</p> <p><i>Note: This is impacted by question regarding reporting across the different Points Test subclasses through transition. A change will be needed if both 489 and 491 exist during the transition period.</i></p> <p><del>8.10: Where an invitation is withdrawn this invitation will not be included in the planning levels and will be treated as though it did not occur in respect of Planning Levels.</del> Please note wherever Planning Levels are displayed this is relevant. Please note an audit trail is needed for actions taken.</p> <p><del><i>Note: The purpose of this is to ensure that withdrawn invitations don't skew planning for the skilled program.</i></del></p>			
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9.	DO portal	<p><u>9.1: The DO user will be able to use the Search screen which includes Group, Individual, Employer, S&amp;T/Other Entities and EOI History search functions.</u> Utilise existing functions. Add dropdown option to Visa Program search parameter for Subclass 491.</p> <p><i>Note: Please note the changes to the Preferred Locations page are not expected to impact the search parameters.</i></p> <p><u>9.2: The DO user will be able to use the EOI screen to view EOI details.</u> Utilise existing functions.</p> <p><i>Note: Any changes to EOI form and Points test will flow to this screen.</i></p> <p><u>9.3: The DO user will be able to use the Correspondence screen.</u> Utilise existing functions and refer to changes in Correspondence section</p> <p><i>Note: Please refer to section 10 and 11 for changes to correspondence.</i></p> <p><u>9.4: The DO user will be able to use the Further Checks screen to review, add and action further checks in SkillSelect.</u> Utilise existing functions.</p> <p><i>Note: No change expected to this screen.</i></p> <p><u>9.5: The DO user will be able to use the Reports screen to access Report 1, Report 2 and Report 13.</u> Utilise existing functions. Business need to advise how the existing reports should be formatted to accommodate Subclass 491 and where they require this.</p> <p><i>Note: Formatting of reports in reporting requirements below.</i></p>			
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10.	Correspondence – current functionality	<p><u>10.1: The IM will receive correspondence via email when they successfully create a SkillSelect account</u> Utilise existing functions with wording changes to harmonise references to EOI ID. Remove any references to the 'logon ID' and 'username'.</p> <p><i>Note: Retain existing functionality. Change wording to reflect harmonisation of terms referring to 'EOI ID'.</i></p> <p><u>10.2: The IM will receive an email notifying they have received a message in SkillSelect.</u> Utilise existing functionality whereby this is sent in the following scenarios that are relevant to Subclass 491:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When an IM successfully submits their EOI</li> <li>• When an IM alters their EOI</li> <li>• When an IM receives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ Notification their EOI is expiring</li> <li>➢ Notification their invitation is expiring</li> <li>➢ Notification that their EOI has been changed by the system (i.e. client has had a birthday that impacts eligibility.</li> <li>➢ Notification to IM user that DPM user has sent correspondence to them.</li> <li>➢ Notification to IM user that State/Territory user has sent correspondence to them.</li> <li>➢ Notification they have received a group notification from a DPM user.</li> <li>➢ Notification their English Language test is older than 36 months.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• When an State/Territory user receives correspondence from DPM user.</li> </ul> <p>These scenarios are also reflected below.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.3: The IM will receive correspondence via email notifying they have received an invitation.</u> Utilise existing functionality.</p>			
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		<p>Note: No changes expected.</p> <p><u>10.4: The IM will receive correspondence in SkillSelect and via email acknowledging that they have successfully submitted their EOI.</u> Utilise existing functionality.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.5: The IM will receive correspondence in SkillSelect and via email acknowledging when they have successfully updated their EOI.</u> Utilise existing functionality.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.6: The IM will receive correspondence in SkillSelect and via email notifying when their EOI is approaching the expiry date.</u> Utilise existing functionality which is 30 days prior to expiry.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.7: The IM will receive correspondence via email when their EOI expires.</u> Utilise existing functionality.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.8: The IM will receive correspondence in SkillSelect and via email when they have lodged a visa application regarding the status of their EOI.</u> Utilise existing functionality. We may wish to consider the use of the word 'Suspended' given we may have some changes to text regarding the new visa name.</p> <p><i>Note: Will need to provide new visa name for this template.</i></p> <p><u>10.9: The IM will receive correspondence via email when their visa has been decided regarding the status of their EOI.</u> Utilise existing functionality. The related correspondence text refers to the cessation of an EOI. The text also includes scenarios where the visa application is withdrawn, the IM does not take up two invitations or the EOI has been 'cancelled' by the Department of Home Affairs.</p>			
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		<p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.10: The IM will receive correspondence via email when they withdraw their EOI.</u> Utilise existing functionality.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.11: The IM will receive correspondence in SkillSelect and via email that they have been invited.</u> Utilise existing functionality, including attaching the EOI claims as a PDF.</p> <p><i>Note: Will need to provide new visa name for this template.</i></p> <p><u>10.12: The IM will receive correspondence in SkillSelect and via email that their invitation is expiring.</u> Utilise existing functionality. Currently set 40 days after date of invitation.</p> <p><i>Note: Will need to provide new visa name for this template.</i></p> <p><u>10.13: The IM will receive correspondence in SkillSelect and via email when a system action has resulted in a change to their EOI.</u> Utilise existing functionality – change could be a milestone impacting eligibility or a regulatory change impacting eligibility or the points test.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.14: The IM will be able to receive correspondence from a DPM user in SkillSelect and via email.</u> Utilise existing functionality. This includes individual contacts and group messages.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.15: The IM will be able to receive correspondence from State/Territory users in SkillSelect and via email.</u> Utilise existing functionality.</p>			
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		<p><i>Note: Minor changes to wording to reference new visa is possible.</i></p> <p><u>10.16: The IM will receive correspondence advising them that a draft EOI is expiring in SkillSelect.</u> Utilise existing functionality.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.17: The State/Territory user will be able to receive correspondence from DPM user in SkillSelect and via email.</u> Utilise existing functionality.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.18: The IM will receive correspondence in SkillSelect and via email when their English Language Test when their 'Date of test' is more than 36 months.</u> Utilise existing functionality.</p> <p><i>Note: No changes expected.</i></p> <p><u>10.19: The IM will receive correspondence in SkillSelect and via email when their invitation has expired.</u> Utilise existing functionality.</p> <p><i>Note: Will need to provide new visa name for this template</i></p>			
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11.	Correspondence – new functionality	<p><u>11.1: The DPM user will have access to new administrative controls for management of correspondence.</u></p> <p>Require the following existing user stories in the backlog:</p> <p>As a DPM I want to update a correspondence template.</p> <p>As a DPM I want to add a correspondence template.</p> <p>As a DPM I want to Delete a correspondence template.</p> <p>As a DPM I want the ability to search for a group of clients and send them correspondence using a selected template.</p> <p><i>Note: The design documentation is in the final phase.</i></p> <p><u>11.2: The IM will receive a correspondence in SkillSelect and via email when an invitation is withdrawn.</u></p> <p>This letter in SkillSelect will include text that covers scenario of the withdrawal of an invitation – State/Territory nomination withdrawn. The information will include the change to the status of the IMs EOI.</p> <p><i>Note: Correspondence text will need to be provided. Please refer to the following changes: 7.9, 7.10, 7.11, 8.7, 8.8 and 8.10.</i></p>			
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12.	Reporting – ad hoc	<p><u>12.1: The ad hoc reporting as provided for in the SkillSelect Memorandum of Understanding will be available and supported for the Subclass 491.</u> As per the MOU this includes ad hoc reports requested by Department of Home Affairs.</p> <p><u>12.2: The ad hoc reporting will include the ability to report on withdrawn nominations and invitations.</u> <del>Where ad hoc reporting includes the data parameter for the nomination and/or invitation status. Please refer to the following changes: 7.9, 7.10, 7.11, 8.7, 8.8 and 8.10.</del></p> <p><u>12.3: The Invitation Run Report will continue to be generated and provided to Department of Home Affairs as it is now.</u> As per the MOU, this is to be provided by lunchtime after each invitation round.</p> <p><u>12.4: The Monthly Activities Report will continue to be generated and provided to Department of Home Affairs as it is now.</u> As per the MOU, this is to be provided by COB Friday in the first week of each month.</p> <p><u>12.5: The Reconciliation Report will continue to be generated by Department of Home Affairs and actioned in SkillSelect.</u> The frequency of this report will remain the same.</p>			
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13.	Reporting	<p><u>13.1: Subclass 491 visa types will be included in the Monthly report on EOIs submitted.</u> Utilise existing functionality. This is available through the DPM and DO portal.</p> <p><i>Note: Any data item referring to 'Stream' will be called 'Stream/Type'.</i></p> <p><u>13.2: Subclass 491 visa types will be included in the Detailed State or Territory report.</u> Utilise existing functionality. This is available through the DPM and DO portal.</p> <p><i>Note: Any data item referring to 'Stream' will be called 'Stream/Type'.</i></p> <p><u>13.3: Subclass 491 visa types will be included in the Summary report for Invitations issued by State.</u> Utilise existing functionality. This is available through the DPM and State/Territory portals.</p> <p><i>Note: Any data item referring to 'Stream' will be called 'Stream/Type'.</i></p> <p><u>13.4: Subclass 491 visa types will be included in the Monthly Report on EOIs outcomes.</u> Utilise existing functionality. This is available through the DPM portal.</p> <p><i>Note: Any data item referring to 'Stream' will be called 'Stream/Type'.</i></p> <p><u>13.5: Subclass 491 visa types will be included in the Detailed report on all EOIs submitted for the period.</u> Utilise existing functionality. This is available through the DPM Portal.</p> <p><i>Note: Any data item referring to 'Stream' will be called 'Stream/Type'.</i></p> <p><u>13.6: Subclass 491 visa types will be included in the Submitted EOIs for period and on hand for State and Territory Government Nominated Visa Subclasses.</u> Utilise existing functionality. This is available through the DPM and State/Territory portals.</p>			
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		<p><i>Note: Any data item referring to 'Stream' will be called 'Stream/Type'.</i></p> <p><u>13.7: Subclass 491 visa types will be included in the New EOIs Submitted for State and Territory Government Nominated Visa Subclasses.</u> Utilise existing functionality. This is available through the DPM and State/Territory portals.</p> <p><i>Note: Any data item referring to 'Stream' will be called 'Stream/Type'.</i></p> <p><u>13.8: Subclass 491 visa types will be included in the Report summary of invitations.</u> Utilise existing functionality. This is available through the DPM Portal.</p> <p><i>Note: Any data item referring to 'Stream' will be called 'Stream/Type'.</i></p> <p><u>13.9: Subclass 491 visa types will be included in the Report on EOI invitations.</u> Utilise existing functionality. This is available through the DPM Portal.</p> <p><i>Note: Any data item referring to 'Stream' will be called 'Stream/Type'.</i></p> <p><u>13.10: Subclass 491 visa types will be included in the DPM eligibility settings report for Skilled Migration.</u> Utilise existing functionality. This is available through the DPM Portal.</p> <p><i>Note: Any data item referring to 'Stream' will be called 'Stream/Type'.</i></p> <p><u>13.11: Subclass 491 visa types are to be added to the DPM Points Settings report.</u> Utilise existing functionality. Subclass 491 will be included in addition to the existing subclasses under Skilled Independent and Family Sponsored heading; and under Skilled S/T Sponsored heading</p> <p>This is available through the DPM and DO Portal.</p> <p><i>Note: Any data item referring to 'Stream' will be called 'Stream/Type'. Changes to Part names should be reflected in this report.</i></p>			
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		<p><u>13.12:Archive existing EOI's greater than 2 years in DRAFT or CLOSED status/s</u></p> <p>Note: DLR.PW.REP.01.20 and DLR.PW.REP.01.21 in the BRD are dealt with in a separate SkillSelect PCR.</p>			
			MUST have	This requirement is reinstated for November 2019 <i>Separate PCR Refer to TRIM Ref:</i> <a href="#">ADD2019/3173426</a>	

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14.	Retain existing code for Subclass 189, 190 and 489	<p><u>14.1: Ability to stop deployment of changes where a decision to change direction is taken by the Government prior to 16 November 2019. Policy advise this information should be known by 16 September, 2019. (Refer to HLR.PW.TR.01)</u></p> <p><u>14.2: Ability to remove changes in the <b>case of disallowance</b>.</u></p> <p><i>Note: This scenario would include where the changes have been deployed to production and have then been disallowed by the parliament. The timeframes for this are usually set to six months from date of effect. Considerations of what the appropriate actions would be for the new subclasses where EOIs have already been created will need to be determined at the time of disallowance including whether status changes need to occur and what these status changes would be.</i></p> <p><u>14.3: Ability to re-enable the Subclass 189, 190 and 489 functionality in the case of disallowance.</u></p> <p><i>Note: In the case of disallowance it is highly probably that changes to subclasses 189, 190 and 489 would be re-instated. Considerations of what the appropriate actions would be for the old subclasses where EOIs have changed status and/or been updated will need to be determined at the time of disallowance including whether status changes need to occur and what these status changes would be.</i></p> <p><u>14.4: Do not decommission code for functions related to Subclass 189, 190 and 489.</u></p> <p><u>14.5: The code for Subclass 189, 190 and 489 is able to be decommissioned on a date to be advised.</u></p> <p><i>Note: The date will be dependent on a number of factors including the date the regulations come into effect and the date stipulated by business as to when disallowance is no longer an issue.</i></p>			
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15.	Add Subclass 491 to existing services	<p><u>15.1 EOI subclass 491 data to be passed to HA via SV461</u></p> <p>SV461 passes EOI data collected by <i>SkillSelect</i> from Employment to Home Affairs where it is used to populate the ePlus visa application form. With the introduction of subclass 491, it is intended that points awarded for an EOI by <i>SkillSelect</i> be displayed in the ePlus form.</p> <p>Existing SV461 functionality is to be retained, with the addition of the EOI points score data.</p> <p>Points scores are allocated for the 'Parts' of the EOI listed below:</p> <table><tr><th>Part</th><th>Bracket</th><th>Points</th></tr><tr><td rowspan="4">Age</td><td>Not less than 18 and under 25</td><td>25</td></tr><tr><td>Not less than 25 and under 33</td><td>30</td></tr><tr><td>Not less than 33 and under 40</td><td>25</td></tr><tr><td>Not less than 40 and under 45</td><td>15</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">English language</td><td>Superior</td><td>20</td></tr><tr><td>Proficient</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="3">Overseas employment experience</td><td>At least 36 months in the 10 years prior to invitation</td><td>5</td></tr><tr><td>At least 60 months in the 10 years prior to invitation</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td>At least 96 months in the 10 years prior to invitation</td><td>15</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="4">Australian employment experience</td><td>At least 12 months in the 10 years prior to invitation</td><td>5</td></tr><tr><td>At least 36 months in the 10 years prior to invitation</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td>At least 60 months in the 10 years prior to invitation</td><td>15</td></tr><tr><td>At least 96 months in the 10 years prior to invitation</td><td>20</td></tr><tr><td>Aggregating points for employment experience</td><td></td><td>20</td></tr></table>	Part	Bracket	Points	Age	Not less than 18 and under 25	25	Not less than 25 and under 33	30	Not less than 33 and under 40	25	Not less than 40 and under 45	15	English language	Superior	20	Proficient	10	Overseas employment experience	At least 36 months in the 10 years prior to invitation	5	At least 60 months in the 10 years prior to invitation	10	At least 96 months in the 10 years prior to invitation	15	Australian employment experience	At least 12 months in the 10 years prior to invitation	5	At least 36 months in the 10 years prior to invitation	10	At least 60 months in the 10 years prior to invitation	15	At least 96 months in the 10 years prior to invitation	20	Aggregating points for employment experience		20			
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Australian professional year		5
Education	Doctorate	20
	Bachelor degree	15
	Diploma	10
	Trade qualification	10
	Skilled occupation	10
Specialist education		10
Australian study		5
Credentialed community language		5
Study in regional Australia		5
Partner skills	Item 6D111	10
	Item 6D112	10
	Item 6D113	5
State or Territory nomination		5
Regional nomination or sponsorship		15
Total		Xxx

Applying the scores:

- Each Part or Part/Bracket combination has a score specified.
- For each part, only one score will be allocated (because only one bracket can be selected in the EOI).
- Each Part or Part/Bracket combination will have a specified code assigned to it that will be translated to the corresponding score to be displayed in ePlus.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In sv461, the code will be paired with an XML <i>attribute name</i> that identifies the Part to which it applies.</li> <li>• The <i>attributes</i> will be mapped from the web service to the ePlus form using their name.</li> <li>• An EOI may not have a score for every 'Part'. If there is no score then nothing is to be sent for that 'part' by the web service and ePlus will assume the score does not apply for the EOI.</li> <li>• The Total will display the SUM of all scores.</li> <li>• The <u>date</u> that the scores were last calculated is to be sent in the web service with the points score data.</li> <li>• Rules for 'Aggregating employment experience qualifications' apply to the scores for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 'Overseas employment experience'</li> <li>○ 'Australian employment experience'</li> <li>○ 'Aggregating points for employment experience'</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>If an aggregated score is present then only that score (and not the other two scores) is to be sent in the web service.</p> <p>Refer to section '2. Implement points test for the new subclass' for further details about the Points Test, including criteria for allocating Partner Points.</p> <p><i>Note: Further changes may be advised as the ePlus forms design is still in 'analysis' stage.</i></p>			
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### Change/Release PCR Sign-off

<b>Project ID:</b>	Major Legislative Initiative
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<b>Project Manager:</b>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
<b>Application or Business line:</b>	SkillSelect

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### Business Partner Agreement

It is agreed that:

The attached Project Change Request document is an accurate reflection of what is required to be delivered by the project and there are no issues to impede progress to detailed requirements modelling.

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s. 22(1)(a)(ii)		

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Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Please find the Draft PCR for the New Subclass 491 Visa attached for your review and feedback.

Regards,

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Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

The table for partner points is below. Do you think it is clear enough?

Item		Points
6D111	The <u>spouse</u> or <u>de facto partner</u> of the applicant (the <b>primary applicant</b> ):	
	(a) is an <b>applicant for the same subclass</b> of visa as the primary applicant; and (b) is <b>not an Australian permanent resident or an Australian citizen</b> ; and (c) was <b>under 45</b> at the time the invitation to apply for the visa was issued to the primary applicant; and (d) at the time of invitation to apply for the visa, <b>nominated a skilled occupation</b> , being an occupation specified by the Minister under paragraph 1.15I(1)(a) at that time; and (e) at the time of invitation to apply for the visa, <b>had been assessed by the relevant assessing authority</b> for the nominated <u>skilled occupation</u> as having suitable skills for the occupation and the assessment was not for a <u>Subclass 485 (Temporary Graduate) visa</u> ; and (f) at the time of invitation to apply for the visa, had <u>competent English</u>	10
6D112	The <u>applicant</u> (the <b>primary applicant</b> )	
New	either:	
	(a) Does <b>not have a spouse</b> or de facto partner; or (b) Has a <b>spouse</b> or de facto partner who is an <b>Australian permanent resident or Australian citizen</b> .	10
6D113	The <u>spouse</u> or <u>de facto partner</u> of the applicant (the <b>primary applicant</b> ):	
New		

(a) is an <b>applicant for the same subclass</b> of visa as the primary applicant; and (b) is not an <b><u>Australian permanent resident or an Australian citizen</u></b> ; and (c) at the time of invitation to apply for the visa, had <b><u>competent English</u></b>	5
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Regards,

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Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

As discussed, the information below clarifies no aggregation for partner points, and only one selection - being that which would award highest possible points is discussed.

Cheers

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Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

As discussed (& just so you have it in writing), I confirmed with s. 22(1)(a)(ii) that this is covered under 2.26AC(4) – if they satisfy more than one thing in a part they get the one that attracts the highest number of points..... 2.26AC has been amended to include 491.

Cheers,

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Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Do you have time for a chat sometime today.

I wanted to say g'day (and also pick your brain in the purpose).

We had a SkillSelect workshop on Friday and it was raised that if a person can meet 6D111 they also appear to meet 6D113.

We assume the most advantageous points apply in this scenario (ie 10 points). What I wasn't clear about is how this works legislatively and how we stop them from aggregating points for both 6D111 and 6D113. Also, do we know the drop dead date when the legislation can be disallowed? Thanks.

## Part 6D.11 Partner skill qualifications

Item	Qualification	Number of points
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Thanks for your help.

Cheers

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Hi there s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Please find the updated draft PCR attached – we are seeking approval for it now and will advise as soon as received.

Also, keen to lock in the PI planning dates when available

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Thank you for the update s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Tomorrow for the draft PCR is fine. We want to provide the costing based on the most up to date version of the PCR hence the question.

The disallowance question will impact the costing amount, if we don't get an answer regarding this we can mark this as an assumption.

Regards,

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s. 22(1)(a)(ii) and s. 22(1)(a)(ii) are working on updating the PCR this afternoon and expect to have a finalised version tomorrow morning.

If it is acceptable to you, this revised PCR will then be provided to you tomorrow, however formal approval of this updated version may take a few days.

We will provide more information a.s.a.p. regarding the possibility of disallowance of the legislation and the potential impact if this risk eventuates.

Regards,

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Hi

We are working through the costings for the two PCRs.

Can you please give us an update for the revised PCR and when we can expect it?

Also during our workshop we had a question regarding the requirements for roll back, as this is a big unknown it will impact the costing we are compiling for the PCR.

Thank you

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Good afternoon s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

I think that we finally have all of our ducks in a row – legislation and funding included. You will be aware that the MOU has been extended until 30 Sep 19, and I have attached two PCRs reflecting a) the visa requirements and b) the archiving requirements for our Nov 19 release.

These have both been reworked from the original PCRs and the following should be noted:

Project is now unclassified as legislation has passed

Legislation has changed and therefore so too has the content of the PCRs

Both PCRs are in draft, and contain comments – a number of these are for discussion with you.

Next steps:

If you can let me know please when you think you would be available for a workshop, I'd like to come over to you with s. 22(1)(a)(ii). I think the steps we're looking at are:

Workshop and agree on PCR content.

Workshop a schedule for delivery (our goLive is 15 Nov), however there would still be the turning off of invitations 60 days prior

Begin user stories/sprints in parallel with costings and approvals (this work covered under the MOU

Costings from Employment to HA for Approval

Let us know where you sit with the above/attached and we'll make a move on it – very keen to work with you guys and finally deliver this piece of work

Cheers,

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The following two PCRs are ready for dissemination to Employment.

**491 PCR (ALM – VCM 8065)**

<< File: PCR 8066 SkillSelect Archiving draft V0.2.tr5 >> << File: PCR 8065 SkillSelect New Skilled Regional Provisional Visa (Subclass 491)\_Draft.tr5 >>

**Archiving PCR (ALM – VCM 8066)**

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Thanks in advance for your support.

Regards,

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Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

FYI - see below email trail which should help with user stories/queries

Kind regards

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Cheers,

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## UNCLASSIFIED

Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

In Iteration 3 we have three spikes and we need to start work on them now so the analysis is done during this Iteration.

I would like you to work on User Story 235924 to confirm whether any changes are needed for Partner details in SkillSelect. I know you have the background required from your work on the BRD; and if you need assistance with SkillSelect itself I can help.

The work is to look at the questions in SkillSelect that relate to Partner Points (mainly the Partner details screen) and determine whether they will be sufficient to provide the information needed to calculate Partner Points in the Points Test. s. 22(1)(a)(ii) logic flow diagram will be a good reference along with the PCR that states the rules from 6D.

Happy to discuss further.

Regards,

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Hi all

Again – just ensuring everyone has the same information as an FYI - as the information is important when considering the user stories for the changes required to SkillSelect regarding Partner Points (and treatment in allocating points).

Kind regards

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Hi

s. 22(1)(a)(ii) is in the process of modifying the previous 491 PCR so that it is ready to send to the department previously known as JOBS when we have funding sorted.

She has come up with some questions about partner points which have some implications for SkillSelect and the online form.

I have attached what the new partner points decision looks like.

Here is a summary of the implications for SkillSelect and the online visa application:

- It appears not to make sense any more to ask them whether they are claiming partner points – as they will get partner points even for not having a partner.

- From a SkillSelect point of view, we would need to know:

- o Do they have a partner?
- o Is that partner an Australian citizen or permanent resident ? (If they are, they will need to provide evidence)
- o Are they planning to bring their partner with them?
- o If they are – does their partner have competent English?
- o Are they seeking points for their partner's skills? If yes – then we need details.

- From a visa application point of view:

- o It appears that at the moment we would NOT collect details of someone's partner if they are an Australian citizen or permanent resident. Now we would need to.
- o If the partner is a migrating family member we need to collect details of their English
- o We COULD still drive whether questions about skills were included in the form based on whether they were migrating family member and whether they applicant was seeking to claim points for those skills

@s. 22(1)(a)(ii) & s. 22(1)(a)(ii) – let me know if that clarifies it enough to go on with. Otherwise we can have what would hopefully be a shortish meeting.

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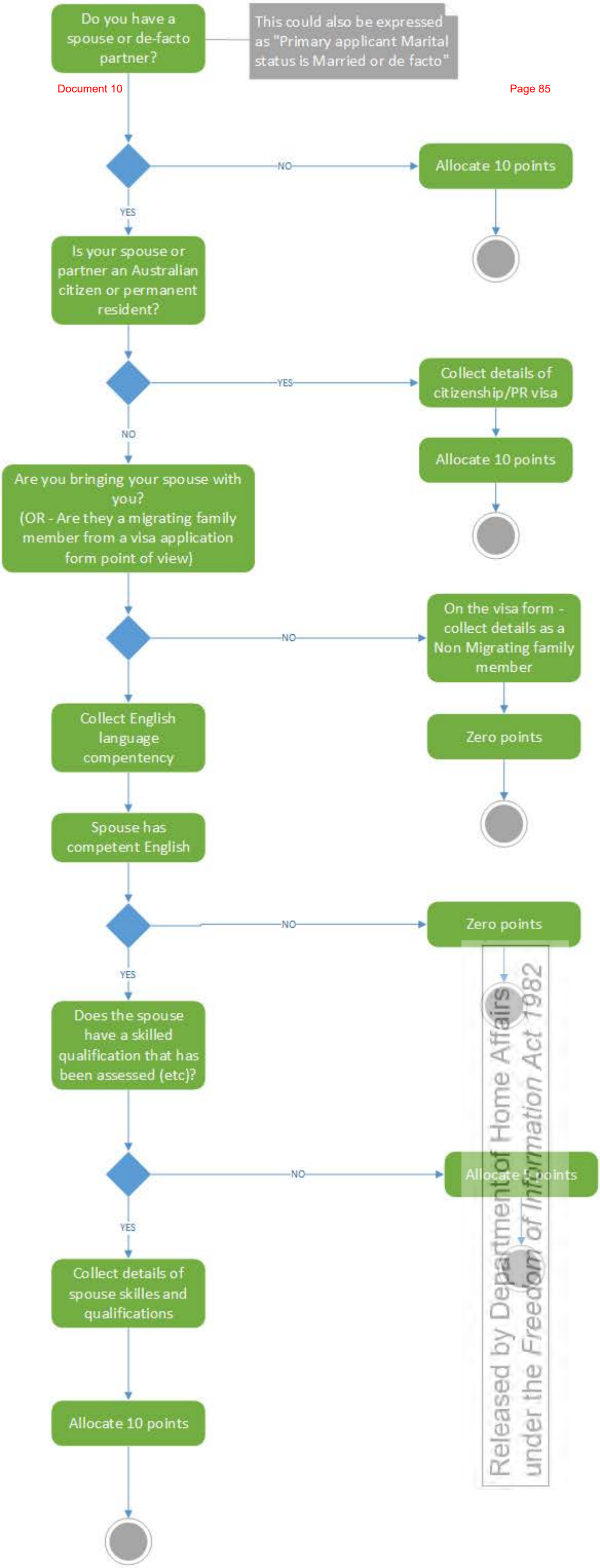
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Do you have a spouse or de-facto partner?

This could also be expressed as "Primary applicant Marital status is Married or de facto"

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