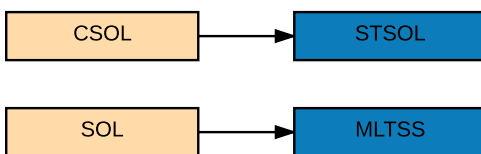


457 Abolition and replacement - changes timeline

From 19 April 2017

Occupation list changes;
457 validity period is changing (STSOL up to 2 years) (MLTSSL up to 4 years)



Note: New STSOL and MLTSSL lists are force from 19 April 2017 (affects only ENS Direct Entry nominations)

You must nominate an occupation on the Medium and Long-term Strategic Skills List (MLTSSL) if you are applying for any of the below:

- Skilled Independent visa (subclass 189)
- Skilled Regional (Provisional) visa (subclass 489) (unless nominated by a State or Territory Government)
- Temporary Graduate visa (subclass 485) – Graduate Work Stream

You must nominate an occupation on this Combined list of eligible skilled occupations if you are applying for any of the below:

- Employer Nominated Scheme (subclass 186) – Direct Entry Stream
- Skilled Nominated visa (subclass 190)
- Skilled Regional (Provisional) visa (subclass 489) - if nominated by a State or Territory Government
- Temporary Work (Skilled) visa (subclass 457)
- Training visa (subclass 407)

From 1 July 2017

Occupation List will be reviewed;
English language salary exemption will be removed;
Police check will be mandatory;

Before 31 December 2017

The department will collect Tax File Number for 457 visa holders;
Sponsor sanctioned for falling to meet their obligations will be made public;

March 2018

457 replaced with the TSS visa.

Temporary Skill Shortages (TSS), will begin in March 2018

Stream 1: Short-Term visa stream
(up to 2 years)

Stream 2: Medium-Term visa stream
(up to 4 years)

Renewal onshore only once;
Non- regional Australia STSOL list will apply;
Regional Australia STSOL with additional
occupations available;
English score of 5 overall (minimum of 4.5 in
each band);
Genuine entry criteria applies;

Renewal onshore and permanent residence
pathway after three years;
Non- regional Australia MLTSSL list will apply;
Regional Australia MLTSSL with additional
occupations available;
English score of minimum 5 in each band;

Applies to both:

- At least 2 years work experience in their skilled occupation;
- minimum market salary rate;
- mandatory labour market testing;
- Police check required;
- Training requirement;
- Workforce test;