

## Skilled Sponsored (SS) Application Form

To be eligible to apply for Tasmanian state sponsorship, you must first meet all the General Skilled Migration requirements set out by the [Department of Immigration and Citizenship \(DIAC\)](#). You must assess your visa eligibility prior to seeking sponsorship.

Standard processing time for sponsorship assessment is four (4) weeks, although some applications may require additional time. To avoid delays, the following documents must be included with your visa application

- A copy of your current positive skills assessment from a recognised Australian assessing authority.
- A copy of your current IELTS test scores if you are from a non-English speaking country.
- A copy of your current CV (limited to 4 pages).
- Any additional documents referred to throughout this form.

Note that the application form must be completed in English; there is no fee charged by the Tasmanian Government for visa sponsorship; and any documents submitted which are not required for your application assessment will be destroyed.

Sponsorship approvals from the Tasmanian Government are valid for three (3) months, and are not transferable to any other State or Territory. The unit reserves the right to revoke sponsorship at this time. If you are unable to lodge your visa application within the three month timeframe, you must contact the Business and Skilled Migration Unit to apply for a time extension.

State sponsorship does not mean that a visa will automatically be granted. You must satisfy various visa requirements set by DIAC, which include health and character checks. The Tasmanian Government is not responsible for issuing visas.

You must inform the Business and Skilled Migration Unit of any change to your circumstances, from the time you lodge your sponsorship application to the time you arrive in Tasmania.

### Application tips

*This form is in PDF, a universal Portable Document Format, which you may not be able to save on your computer. We appreciate that you may not want to complete this entire form in one go. Read the following tips to make completing this form as simple as possible.*

- *You can complete this form by typing in your answers – there is no need to handwrite.*
- *Given that you may not be able to save this form on your computer, and may wish to take your time in completing any question, you can type your answer in another programme and simply copy and paste your answers into this form prior to completing it.*
- *Once you have completed the form, print it, sign the declaration, and then scan all the pages along with all additional documents and return it by email to the Business and Skilled Migration Unit – we do not need original copies.*

#### DISCLAIMER

Personal information will be collected from you for the purpose of informing your application and will be used by the Department of Economic Development, Tourism and the Arts (the Department) for assessing and determining the application and may be used for other purposes permitted by the *Tasmanian Development Act 1983*. Failure to provide this information may result in your application not being able to be processed or the service not being able to be provided. Your personal information will be used for the primary purpose for which it is collected, and may be disclosed to contractors and agents of the Department or affiliated bodies, and other organisations authorised to collect it. Your basic personal information may be disclosed to other public sector bodies where necessary for the efficient storage and use of the information. Personal information will be managed in accordance with the *Personal Information Protection Act 2004* and may be accessed by the individual to whom it relates on request to the Department's Personal Information Protection Officer on (03) 6233 5727. You may be charged a fee for this service.

Which visa are you applying for?

If you are using a migration agent for your visa application, please provide their details.

Name	<input type="text"/>	Agent Registration Number	<input type="text"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>		
Phone	<input type="text"/>		
Address	<input type="text"/>		

If you do appoint a migration agent to act on your behalf, the Tasmanian Government maintains the right to contact you directly.

Please complete the following questions.

1. Surname	<input type="text"/>		
2. Given Names	<input type="text"/>		
3. Date of Birth	<input type="text"/>	4. Gender	<input type="text"/>
5. Citizenship	<input type="text"/>		
6. Postal address	<input type="text"/>		
	Postcode <input type="text"/>	Country	<input type="text"/>
7. Telephone	<input type="text"/>	8. Fax	<input type="text"/>
9. Email	<input type="text"/>		
10. Occupation	<input type="text"/>	11. ASCO	<input type="text"/>
12. Please list the dependants being included in your visa application.			
Name of dependent	<input type="text"/>		
Relationship	<input type="text"/>	Date of Birth	<input type="text"/>
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**13. Are you currently in Australia?**

Yes → Please provide details.

Visa name

Subclass

Expiry date

No

**14. Have you already applied for a visa and are currently waiting for it to be granted?**

Yes → Please provide details.

Visa name

Subclass

CLF / TRN

No

**15. Does your spouse / partner speak English?**

Yes → Please attach IELTS results to application. (if applicable)

No

NA

**16. Does your spouse / partner have formal skills or qualifications which can be utilised in Tasmania?**

Yes → Please provide details, and attach CV to application.

Occupation

Years worked

No

NA

**17. Have you requested SS sponsorship from any other Australian states or territories?**

Your honest answer to this question will not negatively affect your SS application.

Yes → Please list states / territories.

No

Aside from considering your skills, training and experience, the Department of Economic Development, Tourism and the Arts is seeking to ensure that persons nominated under the SS Scheme have the capacity to smoothly settle in Tasmania. We do not want you to suffer undue hardship in establishing yourself in Tasmania and, at the same time, we do not want you to be a burden on the Tasmanian Government and community. We would therefore like to assess your 'ease of settlement' in Tasmania. Please answer the following questions.

If you require additional space for any answers, please attach a separate sheet.

**18. In your own words, explain why you wish to settle in Tasmania?** (as opposed to other states of Australia)

**19. Have you visited Tasmania in the past?**

Yes → Please provide details.

Length of stay

Reason

No → If you plan to visit prior to migrating, please provide details.

Length of stay

Reason

**20. How much money (in your local currency) will you bring with you to Tasmania?**

Take into consideration that you will incur large expenses (visa application fees, airfares, etc) prior to arriving in Tasmania

Amount

Please explain where this money will come from.

**21. In your own words, explain how you will cope with life in a new country - a long way from friends and family.**

**22. Do you have any experience living in, working in, or visiting countries other than your home country?**

Yes → Please provide details.

No

**23.** Do you have any friends or relatives living in Australia?

Yes → Please provide their contact details.

No

**24.** Have you obtained work, or made contact with any potential employers in Tasmania?

Yes → Please provide details and, if applicable, attach job offer to application.

No

**25.** Have you made contact with any community groups in Tasmania?

Yes → Please provide details.

No

**26.** In what region of Tasmania would you like to settle, and why? (Hobart, Launceston, North-West Coast etc)

**27.** Given that SS visa holders cannot access all social security benefits until they have been permanent residents in Australia for a period of two years, what would you do and how would you cope if you do not secure employment immediately?



# Skilled Sponsored (SS) Declaration

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**DECLARATION MADE BY** \_\_\_\_\_

1. I declare that all the information I have provided to the Department of Economic Development, Tourism and the Arts (DEDTA) is true and accurate.
2. I agree that DEDTA may pass on my CV and/or other personal information to relevant organisations for the purpose of sponsorship assessment.
3. I declare my dependents and I intend to live in Tasmania for at least two years if granted an SS visa.
4. I agree that when I arrive in Tasmania, I will contact DEDTA to inform them of my home address.
5. I agree that I will respond to any SS monitoring/surveying undertaken by DEDTA.
6. I understand that DEDTA, the Tasmanian Government and its employees have no responsibility for finding employment or accommodation for myself and my dependents.
7. I understand the Tasmanian Government will not provide me with financial or monetary support.
8. I understand that DEDTA, the Tasmanian Government and its employees warrant that any information supplied to me is free of inaccuracies, defects or errors.
9. I understand that DEDTA, the Tasmanian Government and its employees will not be liable for any loss, damage or legal liability which arises as a result of any inaccuracies, defects or errors in any information supplied to me.
10. I understand that under Australian law, SS visa holders have no access to most social security payments until they have been a permanent resident of Australia for a period of two years
11. I understand that I am required to have sufficient financial resources to support myself and my dependents. I confirm that I have sufficient funds (amount stipulated under the conditions of SS sponsorship as AUD20,000 for the primary applicant and AUD10,000 for each migrating dependent (or a lesser amount as approved by DEDTA)), and that these funds will be available to me immediately upon my arrival into Tasmania.
12. I am aware there is no guarantee I will be successful in finding employment in my profession.

\_\_\_\_\_  
signature of applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
date

**DECLARED IN THE PRESENCE OF** (WITNESS CANNOT BE A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY)

\_\_\_\_\_  
print name of witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
signature of witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
address of witness



**Forward your completed application, with all relevant material attached, to**

***[skilledmigration@development.tas.gov.au](mailto:skilledmigration@development.tas.gov.au)***

Our preferred method of communication is email; however fax and postal contact details are available on our website.