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Part 1—Introduction

1 Name

- (1) This instrument is the *Migration (LIN 19/260: Assessing Authorities for Subclass 494 Visas) Instrument 2019*.
- (2) This instrument may be cited as LIN 19/260.

3 Authority

- (1) This instrument is made under the following provisions of the *Migration Regulations 1994*:
 - (a) subregulation 2.26B(1) of the Regulations;
 - (b) subclause 494.224(6) of Schedule 2 to the Regulations.

4 Definitions

In this instrument:

Medium and Long-term Strategic Skills List: see subsection 6(1).

nec (short for not elsewhere classified), in relation to an occupation, has the same meaning as in ANZSCO.

Regional Occupation List: see subsection 7(1).

Regulations means the *Migration Regulations 1994*.

university lecturer includes the following:

- (a) a research associate in a university;
- (b) a research fellow in a university.

Part 2—Assessing authorities

5 Relevant assessing authorities

- (1) For the purposes of subregulation 2.26B(1) of the Regulations, a person or body mentioned in column 2 of an item of the Medium and Longterm Strategic Skills List or the Regional Occupation List is specified as the relevant assessing authority for:

- (a) the occupation; and
- (b) all countries;

for the purposes of an application for a skills assessment made by a resident of one of those countries.

- (2) For the purposes of subclause 494.224(6) of Schedule 2 of the Regulations, a person or body mentioned in column 2 of an item of the Medium and Long term Strategic Skills List or the Regional Occupation List is specified as the assessing authority for:

- (a) the occupation; and
- (b) all countries;

for the purposes of an application for a skills assessment made by a resident of one of those countries.

6 Medium and Long-term Strategic Skills List

- (1) The following table is the *Medium and Long term Strategic Skills List*.

Medium and Long-term Strategic Skills List		
Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
1	chief executive or managing director	IML
2	corporate general manager	IML
3	construction project manager	VETASSESS
4	engineering manager	(a) Engineers Australia; or (b) IML
5	child care centre manager	ACECQA
6	nursing clinical director	ANMAC
7	primary health organisation manager	VETASSESS
8	welfare centre manager	ACWA
9	faculty head	VETASSESS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
10	chief information officer	ACS
11	arts administrator or manager	VETASSESS
12	environmental manager	VETASSESS
13	dancer or choreographer	VETASSESS
14	music director	VETASSESS
15	musician (instrumental)	VETASSESS
16	artistic director	VETASSESS
17	accountant (general)	(a) CAANZ; or (b) CPAA; or (c) IPA
18	management accountant	(a) CAANZ; or (b) CPAA; or (c) IPA
19	taxation accountant	(a) CAANZ; or (b) CPAA; or (c) IPA
20	external auditor	(a) CAANZ; or (b) CPAA; or (c) IPA
21	internal auditor	VETASSESS
22	actuary	VETASSESS
23	statistician	VETASSESS
24	economist	VETASSESS
25	land economist	VETASSESS
26	valuer	VETASSESS
27	management consultant	VETASSESS
28	architect	AACA
29	landscape architect	VETASSESS
30	surveyor	ISNSW
31	cartographer	VETASSESS
32	other spatial scientist	VETASSESS
33	chemical engineer	Engineers Australia
34	materials engineer	Engineers Australia
35	civil engineer	Engineers Australia
36	geotechnical engineer	Engineers Australia

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
37	quantity surveyor	AIQS
38	structural engineer	Engineers Australia
39	transport engineer	Engineers Australia
40	electrical engineer	Engineers Australia
41	electronics engineer	Engineers Australia
42	industrial engineer	Engineers Australia
43	mechanical engineer	Engineers Australia
44	production or plant engineer	Engineers Australia
45	mining engineer (excluding petroleum)	Engineers Australia
46	petroleum engineer	Engineers Australia
47	aeronautical engineer	Engineers Australia
48	agricultural engineer	Engineers Australia
49	biomedical engineer	Engineers Australia
50	engineering technologist	Engineers Australia
51	environmental engineer	Engineers Australia
52	naval architect	Engineers Australia
53	engineering professionals (nec)	Engineers Australia
54	agricultural consultant	VETASSESS
55	agricultural scientist	VETASSESS
56	forester	VETASSESS
57	chemist	VETASSESS
58	food technologist	VETASSESS
59	environmental consultant	VETASSESS
60	environmental research scientist	VETASSESS
61	environmental scientists (nec)	VETASSESS
62	geophysicist	VETASSESS
63	hydrogeologist	VETASSESS
64	life scientist (general)	VETASSESS
65	biochemist	VETASSESS
66	biotechnologist	VETASSESS
67	botanist	VETASSESS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
68	marine biologist	VETASSESS
69	microbiologist	VETASSESS
70	zoologist	VETASSESS
71	life scientists (nec)	VETASSESS
72	medical laboratory scientist	AIMS
73	veterinarian	AVBC
74	conservator	VETASSESS
75	metallurgist	VETASSESS
76	meteorologist	VETASSESS
77	physicist	the assessing authority for the occupation under subsection (2)
78	natural and physical science professionals (nec)	VETASSESS
79	early childhood (pre-primary school) teacher	ACECQA
80	secondary school teacher	AITSL
81	special needs teacher	AITSL
82	teacher of the hearing impaired	AITSL
83	teacher of the sight impaired	AITSL
84	special education teachers (nec)	AITSL
85	university lecturer	VETASSESS
86	medical diagnostic radiographer	ASMIRT
87	medical radiation therapist	ASMIRT
88	nuclear medicine technologist	ANZSNM
89	sonographer	ASMIRT
90	optometrist	OCANZ
91	orthotist or prosthetist	AOPA
92	chiropractor	CCEA
93	osteopath	AOAC
94	occupational therapist	OTC
95	physiotherapist	APC
96	podiatrist	PodBA
97	audiologist	VETASSESS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
98	speech pathologist	SPA
99	general practitioner	MedBA
100	specialist physician (general medicine)	MedBA
101	cardiologist	MedBA
102	clinical haematologist	MedBA
103	medical oncologist	MedBA
104	endocrinologist	MedBA
105	gastroenterologist	MedBA
106	intensive care specialist	MedBA
107	neurologist	MedBA
108	paediatrician	MedBA
109	renal medicine specialist	MedBA
110	rheumatologist	MedBA
111	thoracic medicine specialist	MedBA
112	specialist physicians (nec)	MedBA
113	psychiatrist	MedBA
114	surgeon (general)	MedBA
115	cardiothoracic surgeon	MedBA
116	neurosurgeon	MedBA
117	orthopaedic surgeon	MedBA
118	otorhinolaryngologist	MedBA
119	paediatric surgeon	MedBA
120	plastic and reconstructive surgeon	MedBA
121	urologist	MedBA
122	vascular surgeon	MedBA
123	dermatologist	MedBA
124	emergency medicine specialist	MedBA
125	obstetrician and gynaecologist	MedBA
126	ophthalmologist	MedBA
127	pathologist	MedBA
128	diagnostic and interventional radiologist	MedBA

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
129	radiation oncologist	MedBA
130	medical practitioners (nec)	MedBA
131	midwife	ANMAC
132	nurse practitioner	ANMAC
133	registered nurse (aged care)	ANMAC
134	registered nurse (child and family health)	ANMAC
135	registered nurse (community health)	ANMAC
136	registered nurse (critical care and emergency)	ANMAC
137	registered nurse (developmental disability)	ANMAC
138	registered nurse (disability and rehabilitation)	ANMAC
139	registered nurse (medical)	ANMAC
140	registered nurse (medical practice)	ANMAC
141	registered nurse (mental health)	ANMAC
142	registered nurse (perioperative)	ANMAC
143	registered nurse (surgical)	ANMAC
144	registered nurse (paediatrics)	ANMAC
145	registered nurses (nec)	ANMAC
146	ICT business analyst	ACS
147	systems analyst	ACS
148	multimedia specialist	ACS
149	analyst programmer	ACS
150	developer programmer	ACS
151	software engineer	ACS
152	software and applications programmers (nec)	ACS
153	ICT security specialist	ACS
154	computer network and systems engineer	ACS
155	telecommunications engineer	Engineers Australia
156	telecommunications network engineer	Engineers Australia
157	barrister	a legal admissions authority of a State or Territory
158	solicitor	a legal admissions authority of a State or Territory

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
159	clinical psychologist	APS
160	educational psychologist	APS
161	organisational psychologist	APS
162	psychologists (nec)	APS
163	social worker	AASW
164	civil engineering draftsman	(a) Engineers Australia; or (b) VETASSESS
165	civil engineering technician	VETASSESS
166	electrical engineering draftsman	Engineers Australia
167	electrical engineering technician	TRA
168	radio communications technician	TRA
169	telecommunications field engineer	Engineers Australia
170	telecommunications network planner	Engineers Australia
171	telecommunications technical officer or technologist	Engineers Australia
172	automotive electrician	TRA
173	motor mechanic (general)	TRA
174	diesel motor mechanic	TRA
175	motorcycle mechanic	TRA
176	small engine mechanic	TRA
177	sheetmetal trades worker	TRA
178	metal fabricator	TRA
179	pressure welder	TRA
180	welder (first class)	TRA
181	fitter (general)	TRA
182	fitter and turner	TRA
183	fitter-welder	TRA
184	metal machinist (first class)	TRA
185	locksmith	TRA
186	panelbeater	TRA
187	bricklayer	TRA
188	stonemason	TRA
189	carpenter and joiner	TRA

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
190	carpenter	TRA
191	joiner	TRA
192	painting trades worker	TRA
193	glazier	TRA
194	fibrous plasterer	TRA
195	solid plasterer	TRA
196	wall and floor tiler	TRA
197	plumber (general)	TRA
198	airconditioning and mechanical services plumber	TRA
199	drainer	TRA
200	gasfitter	TRA
201	roof plumber	TRA
202	electrician (general)	TRA
203	electrician (special class)	TRA
204	lift mechanic	TRA
205	airconditioning and refrigeration mechanic	TRA
206	technical cable joiner	TRA
207	electronic equipment trades worker	TRA
208	electronic instrument trades worker (general)	TRA
209	electronic instrument trades worker (special class)	TRA
210	chef	TRA
211	horse trainer	TRA
212	cabinetmaker	TRA
213	boat builder and repairer	TRA
214	shipwright	TRA
215	tennis coach	VETASSESS
216	footballer	VETASSESS

Note: For the meaning of the expressions in column 2, see section 9.

- (2) The assessing authority:
- (a) for a physicist (other than a medical physicist) is VETASSESS; and
 - (b) for a medical physicist is ACPSEM.

Note: For the meaning of VETASSESS and ACPSEM, see section 9.

7 Regional Occupation List

(1) The following table is the *Regional Occupation List*.

Regional Occupation List		
Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
1	aquaculture farmer	VETASSESS
2	cotton grower	VETASSESS
3	flower grower	VETASSESS
4	fruit or nut grower	VETASSESS
5	grain, oilseed or pasture grower (Aus) / field crop grower (NZ)	VETASSESS
6	grape grower	VETASSESS
7	mixed crop farmer	VETASSESS
8	sugar cane grower	VETASSESS
9	turf grower	VETASSESS
10	vegetable grower (Aus) / market gardener (NZ)	VETASSESS
11	crop farmers (nec)	VETASSESS
12	apiarist	VETASSESS
13	beef cattle farmer	VETASSESS
14	dairy cattle farmer	VETASSESS
15	deer farmer	VETASSESS
16	goat farmer	VETASSESS
17	horse breeder	VETASSESS
18	mixed livestock farmer	VETASSESS
19	pig farmer	VETASSESS
20	poultry farmer	VETASSESS
21	sheep farmer	VETASSESS
22	livestock farmers (nec)	VETASSESS
23	mixed crop and livestock farmer	VETASSESS
24	sales and marketing manager	IML
25	advertising manager	IML
26	public relations manager	IML
27	corporate services manager	VETASSESS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
28	finance manager	(a) CAANZ; or (b) CPAA; or (c) IPA
29	human resource manager	IML
30	policy and planning manager	VETASSESS
31	research and development manager	VETASSESS
32	project builder	VETASSESS
33	importer or exporter	VETASSESS
34	wholesaler	VETASSESS
35	manufacturer	VETASSESS
36	production manager (forestry)	VETASSESS
37	production manager (manufacturing)	VETASSESS
38	production manager (mining)	VETASSESS
39	supply and distribution manager	IML
40	procurement manager	IML
41	medical administrator (Aus) / medical superintendent (NZ)	VETASSESS
42	health and welfare services managers (nec)	VETASSESS
43	school principal	VETASSESS
44	regional education manager	VETASSESS
45	education managers (nec)	VETASSESS
46	ICT project manager	ACS
47	ICT managers (nec)	ACS
48	laboratory manager	VETASSESS
49	quality assurance manager	VETASSESS
50	sports administrator	VETASSESS
51	specialist managers (nec)	VETASSESS
52	cafe or restaurant manager	VETASSESS
53	caravan park and camping ground manager	VETASSESS
54	hotel or motel manager	VETASSESS
55	licensed club manager	VETASSESS
56	bed and breakfast operator	VETASSESS
57	retirement village manager	VETASSESS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
58	accommodation and hospitality managers (nec)	VETASSESS
59	retail manager (general)	VETASSESS
60	antique dealer	VETASSESS
61	betting agency manager	VETASSESS
62	hair or beauty salon manager	VETASSESS
63	post office manager	VETASSESS
64	travel agency manager	VETASSESS
65	amusement centre manager	VETASSESS
66	fitness centre manager	VETASSESS
67	sports centre manager	VETASSESS
68	call or contact centre manager	VETASSESS
69	customer service manager	VETASSESS
70	conference and event organiser	VETASSESS
71	fleet manager	VETASSESS
72	railway station manager	VETASSESS
73	transport company manager	VETASSESS
74	boarding kennel or cattery operator	VETASSESS
75	cinema or theatre manager	VETASSESS
76	facilities manager	VETASSESS
77	financial institution branch manager	VETASSESS
78	equipment hire manager	VETASSESS
79	hospitality, retail and service managers (nec)	VETASSESS
80	actor	VETASSESS
81	entertainer or variety artist	VETASSESS
82	actors, dancers and other entertainers (nec)	VETASSESS
83	composer	VETASSESS
84	singer	VETASSESS
85	music professionals (nec)	VETASSESS
86	photographer	VETASSESS
87	painter (visual arts)	VETASSESS
88	potter or ceramic artist	VETASSESS
89	sculptor	VETASSESS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
90	visual arts and crafts professionals (nec)	VETASSESS
91	media producer (excluding video)	VETASSESS
92	radio presenter	VETASSESS
93	television presenter	VETASSESS
94	author	VETASSESS
95	book or script editor	VETASSESS
96	art director (film, television or stage)	VETASSESS
97	director (film, television, radio or stage)	VETASSESS
98	director of photography	VETASSESS
99	film and video editor	VETASSESS
100	program director (television or radio)	VETASSESS
101	stage manager	VETASSESS
102	technical director	VETASSESS
103	video producer	VETASSESS
104	film, television, radio and stage directors (nec)	VETASSESS
105	copywriter	VETASSESS
106	newspaper or periodical editor	VETASSESS
107	print journalist	VETASSESS
108	radio journalist	VETASSESS
109	technical writer	VETASSESS
110	television journalist	VETASSESS
111	journalists and other writers (nec)	VETASSESS
112	company secretary	VETASSESS
113	corporate treasurer	(a) CAANZ; or (b) CPAA; or (c) IPA
114	commodities trader	VETASSESS
115	finance broker	VETASSESS
116	insurance broker	VETASSESS
117	financial brokers (nec)	VETASSESS
118	financial market dealer	VETASSESS
119	futures trader	VETASSESS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
120	stockbroking dealer	VETASSESS
121	financial dealers (nec)	VETASSESS
122	financial investment adviser	VETASSESS
123	financial investment manager	VETASSESS
124	human resource adviser	VETASSESS
125	recruitment consultant	VETASSESS
126	workplace relations adviser	VETASSESS
127	ICT trainer	ACS
128	training and development professional	VETASSESS
129	mathematician	VETASSESS
130	archivist	VETASSESS
131	gallery or museum curator	VETASSESS
132	health information manager	VETASSESS
133	records manager	VETASSESS
134	policy analyst	VETASSESS
135	librarian	VETASSESS
136	organisation and methods analyst	VETASSESS
137	electorate officer	VETASSESS
138	liaison officer	VETASSESS
139	migration agent (Aus) / immigration consultant (NZ)	VETASSESS
140	patents examiner	VETASSESS
141	information and organisation professionals (nec)	the assessing authority for the occupation under subsection (3)
142	advertising specialist	VETASSESS
143	market research analyst	VETASSESS
144	marketing specialist	VETASSESS
145	ICT account manager	VETASSESS
146	ICT business development manager	VETASSESS
147	ICT sales representative	VETASSESS
148	public relations professional	VETASSESS
149	sales representative (industrial products)	VETASSESS
150	sales representative (medical and pharmaceutical products)	VETASSESS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
151	technical sales representatives (nec)	VETASSESS
152	aeroplane pilot	CASA
153	flying instructor	VETASSESS
154	helicopter pilot	CASA
155	air transport professionals (nec)	VETASSESS
156	master fisher	VETASSESS
157	ship's engineer	AMSA
158	ship's master	AMSA
159	ship's officer	AMSA
160	marine surveyor	AMSA
161	marine transport professionals (nec)	VETASSESS
162	fashion designer	VETASSESS
163	industrial designer	VETASSESS
164	jewellery designer	VETASSESS
165	graphic designer	VETASSESS
166	illustrator	VETASSESS
167	multimedia designer	VETASSESS
168	web designer	VETASSESS
169	interior designer	VETASSESS
170	urban and regional planner	VETASSESS
171	wine maker	VETASSESS
172	conservation officer	VETASSESS
173	park ranger	VETASSESS
174	geologist	VETASSESS
175	exercise physiologist	VETASSESS
176	primary school teacher	AITSL
177	middle school teacher (Aus) / intermediate school teacher (NZ)	AITSL
178	university tutor	VETASSESS
179	vocational education teacher (Aus) / polytechnic teacher (NZ)	the assessing body for the occupation under subsection (2)
180	education adviser	VETASSESS
181	education reviewer	VETASSESS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
182	art teacher (private tuition)	VETASSESS
183	dance teacher (private tuition)	VETASSESS
184	drama teacher (private tuition)	VETASSESS
185	music teacher (private tuition)	VETASSESS
186	private tutors and teachers (nec)	VETASSESS
187	teacher of English to speakers of other languages	VETASSESS
188	dietitian	DAA
189	nutritionist	VETASSESS
190	environmental health officer	VETASSESS
191	occupational health and safety adviser	VETASSESS
192	orthoptist	VETASSESS
193	hospital pharmacist	APharmC
194	industrial pharmacist	VETASSESS
195	retail pharmacist	APharmC
196	health promotion officer	VETASSESS
197	health diagnostic and promotion professionals (nec)	VETASSESS
198	acupuncturist	CMBA
199	homoeopath	VETASSESS
200	naturopath	VETASSESS
201	traditional Chinese medicine practitioner	CMBA
202	complementary health therapists (nec)	VETASSESS
203	dental specialist	ADC
204	dentist	ADC
205	resident medical officer	MedBA
206	anaesthetist	MedBA
207	nurse educator	ANMAC
208	nurse researcher	ANMAC
209	nurse manager	ANMAC
210	web developer	ACS
211	software tester	ACS
212	database administrator	ACS
213	systems administrator	ACS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
214	network administrator	ACS
215	network analyst	ACS
216	ICT quality assurance engineer	ACS
217	ICT support engineer	ACS
218	ICT systems test engineer	ACS
219	ICT support and test engineers (nec)	ACS
220	intellectual property lawyer	VETASSESS
221	judicial and other legal professionals (nec)	VETASSESS
222	careers counsellor	VETASSESS
223	drug and alcohol counsellor	VETASSESS
224	family and marriage counsellor	VETASSESS
225	rehabilitation counsellor	VETASSESS
226	student counsellor	VETASSESS
227	counsellors (nec)	VETASSESS
228	psychotherapist	VETASSESS
229	historian	VETASSESS
230	interpreter	NAATI
231	translator	NAATI
232	archaeologist	VETASSESS
233	social professionals (nec)	VETASSESS
234	community arts worker	VETASSESS
235	recreation officer (Aus) / recreation coordinator (NZ)	VETASSESS
236	welfare worker	ACWA
237	agricultural technician	VETASSESS
238	anaesthetic technician	VETASSESS
239	cardiac technician	VETASSESS
240	medical laboratory technician	AIMS
241	operating theatre technician	VETASSESS
242	pharmacy technician	VETASSESS
243	pathology collector (Aus) / phlebotomist (NZ)	AIMS
244	medical technicians (nec)	VETASSESS
245	fisheries officer	VETASSESS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
246	meat inspector	VETASSESS
247	quarantine officer	VETASSESS
248	primary products inspectors (nec)	VETASSESS
249	chemistry technician	VETASSESS
250	earth science technician	VETASSESS
251	life science technician	VETASSESS
252	school laboratory technician	VETASSESS
253	hydrographer	VETASSESS
254	science technicians (nec)	VETASSESS
255	architectural draftsman	VETASSESS
256	building associate	VETASSESS
257	building inspector	VETASSESS
258	construction estimator	VETASSESS
259	plumbing inspector	VETASSESS
260	surveying or spatial science technician	VETASSESS
261	architectural, building and surveying technicians (nec)	VETASSESS
262	electronic engineering draftsman	Engineers Australia
263	electronic engineering technician	TRA
264	mechanical engineering draftsman	Engineers Australia
265	mechanical engineering technician	TRA
266	safety inspector	VETASSESS
267	maintenance planner	VETASSESS
268	metallurgical or materials technician	VETASSESS
269	mine deputy	VETASSESS
270	building and engineering technicians (nec)	(a) VETASSESS; or (b) Engineers Australia
271	hardware technician	TRA
272	ICT customer support officer	TRA
273	web administrator	ACS
274	ICT support technicians (nec)	TRA
275	blacksmith	TRA
276	electroplater	TRA

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
277	farrier	TRA
278	metal casting trades worker	TRA
279	metal polisher	TRA
280	aircraft maintenance engineer (avionics)	TRA
281	aircraft maintenance engineer (mechanical)	TRA
282	aircraft maintenance engineer (structures)	TRA
283	textile, clothing and footwear mechanic	TRA
284	metal fitters and machinists (nec)	TRA
285	engraver	TRA
286	gunsmith	TRA
287	precision instrument maker and repairer	TRA
288	saw doctor	TRA
289	watch and clock maker and repairer	TRA
290	engineering patternmaker	TRA
291	toolmaker	TRA
292	vehicle body builder	TRA
293	vehicle trimmer	TRA
294	vehicle painter	TRA
295	floor finisher	TRA
296	roof tiler	TRA
297	electrical linesworker (Aus) / electrical line mechanic (NZ)	TRA
298	business machine mechanic	TRA
299	communications operator	TRA
300	cabler (data and telecommunications)	TRA
301	telecommunications cable jointer	TRA
302	telecommunications linesworker (Aus) / telecommunications line mechanic (NZ)	TRA
303	telecommunications technician	TRA
304	baker	TRA
305	pastrycook	TRA
306	butcher or smallgoods maker	TRA
307	cook	TRA

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
308	dog handler or trainer	VETASSESS
309	pet groomer	VETASSESS
310	zookeeper	VETASSESS
311	kennel hand	VETASSESS
312	animal attendants and trainers (nec)	VETASSESS
313	shearer	VETASSESS
314	veterinary nurse	VETASSESS
315	florist	TRA
316	gardener (general)	TRA
317	arborist	TRA
318	landscape gardener	TRA
319	greenkeeper	TRA
320	nurseryperson	TRA
321	hairdresser	TRA
322	print finisher	TRA
323	screen printer	TRA
324	graphic pre-press trades worker	TRA
325	printing machinist	TRA
326	small offset printer	TRA
327	canvas goods fabricator	TRA
328	leather goods maker	TRA
329	sail maker	TRA
330	shoemaker	TRA
331	apparel cutter	TRA
332	clothing patternmaker	TRA
333	dressmaker or tailor	TRA
334	clothing trades workers (nec)	VETASSESS
335	upholsterer	TRA
336	furniture finisher	TRA
337	picture framer	TRA
338	wood machinist	TRA
339	wood turner	TRA

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
340	wood machinists and other wood trades workers (nec)	TRA
341	chemical plant operator	TRA
342	gas or petroleum operator	TRA
343	power generation plant operator	TRA
344	gallery or museum technician	TRA
345	library technician	VETASSESS
346	jeweller	TRA
347	broadcast transmitter operator	TRA
348	camera operator (film, television or video)	TRA
349	light technician	TRA
350	makeup artist	TRA
351	musical instrument maker or repairer	TRA
352	sound technician	TRA
353	television equipment operator	TRA
354	performing arts technicians (nec)	VETASSESS
355	signwriter	TRA
356	diver	VETASSESS
357	interior decorator	VETASSESS
358	optical dispenser (Aus) / dispensing optician (NZ)	TRA
359	optical mechanic	TRA
360	photographer's assistant	VETASSESS
361	plastics technician	TRA
362	wool classer	TRA
363	fire protection equipment technician	TRA
364	technicians and trades workers (nec)	TRA
365	ambulance officer	VETASSESS
366	intensive care ambulance paramedic (Aus) / ambulance paramedic (NZ)	VETASSESS
367	dental hygienist	VETASSESS
368	dental prosthetist	TRA
369	dental technician	TRA
370	dental therapist	VETASSESS

Regional Occupation List

Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
371	diversional therapist	VETASSESS
372	enrolled nurse	ANMAC
373	mothercraft nurse	VETASSESS
374	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health worker	VETASSESS
375	massage therapist	VETASSESS
376	community worker	ACWA
377	disabilities services officer	ACWA
378	family support worker	ACWA
379	residential care officer	ACWA
380	youth worker	ACWA
381	child care worker (group leaders only)	ACECQA
382	hotel service manager	VETASSESS
383	emergency service worker	VETASSESS
384	security consultant	VETASSESS
385	driving instructor	VETASSESS
386	funeral director	VETASSESS
387	funeral workers (nec)	VETASSESS
388	flight attendant	VETASSESS
389	travel attendants (nec)	VETASSESS
390	first aid trainer	VETASSESS
391	diving instructor (open water)	VETASSESS
392	gymnastics coach or instructor	VETASSESS
393	horse riding coach or instructor	VETASSESS
394	snowsport instructor	VETASSESS
395	swimming coach or instructor	VETASSESS
396	other sports coach or instructor	VETASSESS
397	dog or horse racing official	VETASSESS
398	sports development officer	VETASSESS
399	sports umpire	VETASSESS
400	other sports official	VETASSESS
401	golfer	VETASSESS
402	jockey	TRA

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
403	lifeguard	VETASSESS
404	sportspersons (nec)	VETASSESS
405	contract administrator	VETASSESS
406	program or project administrator	VETASSESS
407	office manager	VETASSESS
408	health practice manager	VETASSESS
409	practice managers (nec)	VETASSESS
410	personal assistant	VETASSESS
411	secretary (general)	VETASSESS
412	legal secretary	VETASSESS
413	call or contact centre team leader	VETASSESS
414	conveyancer	VETASSESS
415	legal executive	VETASSESS
416	clerk of court	VETASSESS
417	court bailiff or sheriff (Aus) / court collections officer (NZ)	VETASSESS
418	court orderly (Aus) / court registry officer (NZ)	VETASSESS
419	law clerk	VETASSESS
420	trust officer	VETASSESS
421	insurance investigator	VETASSESS
422	insurance loss adjuster	VETASSESS
423	insurance risk surveyor	VETASSESS
424	clinical coder	VETASSESS
425	auctioneer	VETASSESS
426	stock and station agent	VETASSESS
427	insurance agent	VETASSESS
428	business broker	VETASSESS
429	property manager	VETASSESS
430	real estate agency principal (Aus) / real estate agency licensee (NZ)	VETASSESS
431	real estate agent	VETASSESS
432	real estate representative	VETASSESS
433	retail buyer	VETASSESS

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Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
434	wool buyer	VETASSESS

Note 1: A small number of occupations are known by different titles in Australia and New Zealand. In these cases, ANZSCO uses a dual title, which notes the country specific titles, to describe the occupations, e.g. “grain, oilseed or pasture grower (Aus) / field crop grower (NZ)”. These dual titles have been used in column 1 of the table in this subsection for consistency with ANZSCO.

Note 2: For the meaning of the expressions in column 2, see section 9.

(2) The assessing authority:

- (a) for a vocational education teacher (Aus) / polytechnic teacher (NZ) (trades) is TRA; and
- (b) for a vocational education teacher (Aus) / polytechnic teacher (NZ) (other than a vocational education teacher (Aus) / polytechnic teacher (NZ) (trades)) is VETASSESS.

Note: For the meaning of TRA and VETASSESS, see section 9.

(3) For the purposes of item 141 of the table in subsection (1), the assessing authority is:

- (a) for an information and organisation professional (nec) other than a data scientist—VETASSESS; and
- (b) for an information and organisation professional (nec) that is a data scientist—ACS.

Note: For the meaning of TRA and VETASSESS, see section 9.

8 Specification of assessing authorities for child care centre managers and podiatrists—assessments that occurred before 16 November 2019

For the purposes of subclause 494.224(6) of Schedule 2 to the Regulations, a person or body listed in column 2 of an item of the following table is specified as the assessing authority for the occupation listed in column 1 of the item in relation to an assessment if the assessment occurred before 16 November 2019.

Assessing authorities

Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
1	child care centre manager	TRA
2	podiatrist	Australian and New Zealand Podiatry Accreditation Council Limited

Note: For the meaning of TRA, see section 9.

9 Assessing authorities

An expression mentioned in column 1 of an item of the following table is short for the expression mentioned in column 2 of that item.

Assessing authorities		
Item	Column 1 This expression ...	Column 2 is short for ...
1	AACA	Architects Accreditation Council of Australia
2	AASW	Australian Association of Social Workers Limited
3	ACECQA	Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority
4	ACPSEM	Australasian College of Physical Scientists and Engineers in Medicine
5	ACS	Australian Computer Society Incorporated
6	ADC	Australian Dental Council Limited
7	AIMS	Australian Institute of Medical and Clinical Scientists
8	AIQS	The Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors
9	AITSL	Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership Limited
10	AMSA	Australian Maritime Safety Authority
11	ANMAC	Australian Nursing & Midwifery Accreditation Council Limited
12	ANZSNM	Australian and New Zealand Society of Nuclear Medicine
13	AOAC	Australasian Osteopathic Accreditation Council Limited
14	AOPA	The Australian Orthotic Prosthetic Association Limited
15	APC	Australian Physiotherapy Council Limited
16	APharmC	Australian Pharmacy Council Ltd
17	APS	The Australian Psychological Society Limited
18	ASMIRT	Australian Society of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy
19	AVBC	Australasian Veterinary Boards Council Incorporated
20	CAANZ	Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand
21	CASA	Civil Aviation Safety Authority
22	CWA	Community Work Australia
23	CCEA	Council on Chiropractic Education Australasia Limited
24	CMBA	Chinese Medicine Board of Australia
25	CPAA	CPA Australia Ltd
26	DAA	Dietitians Association of Australia
27	Engineers Australia	The Institution of Engineers Australia
28	IML	Institute of Managers and Leaders Limited
29	IPA	Institute of Public Accountants Ltd
30	ISNSW	Institution of Surveyors New South Wales Ltd
31	MedBA	Medical Board of Australia

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Item	Column 1 This expression ...	Column 2 is short for ...
32	NAATI	National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters Ltd
33	PodBA	Podiatry Board of Australia
34	OCANZ	Optometry Council of Australia and New Zealand Limited
35	OTC	Occupational Therapy Council of Australia Ltd
36	SPA	The Speech Pathology Association of Australia Limited
37	TRA	Trades Recognition Australia
38	VETASSESS	Vocational Education and Training Assessment Services

Part 3—Application and savings provisions

10 Amendments made by the *Migration (Assessing Authorities for Subclass 494 Visas) Amendment Instrument (LIN 22/054) 2022*

New assessing authorities specified for visa applications made on or after commencement regardless of when application for assessment is made

- (1) The amendments of this instrument made by Schedule 1 to the *Migration (Assessing Authorities for Subclass 494 Visas) Amendment Instrument (LIN 22/054) 2022* (the **amending instrument**) apply in relation to an application for a Subclass 494 (Skilled Employer Sponsored Regional (Provisional)) visa:
 - (a) if the application is made on or after the day the amending instrument commences; and
 - (b) regardless of whether the application for the skills assessment for the purposes of paragraph 1242(5)(a) of Schedule 1 or paragraph 494.224(2)(a) or subparagraph (4)(a)(iii) of Schedule 2 to the Regulations was made before, on or after that day.

Previous assessing authorities also specified for visa applications made on or after commencement if application for assessment is made before commencement

- (2) For the purposes of subsection 494.224(6) of Schedule 2 to the Regulations, a person or body listed in column 2 of an item of the following table is also specified as the assessing authority for the occupation listed in column 1 of the item in relation to an application for a Subclass 494 (Skilled Employer Sponsored Regional (Provisional)) visa if:
 - (a) the application for the visa is made on or after the day the amending instrument commences; and
 - (b) the application for the skills assessment for the purposes of paragraph 1242(5)(a) of Schedule 1 or paragraph 494.224(2)(a) or subparagraph (4)(a)(iii) of Schedule 2 to the Regulations was made before the day the amending instrument commences.

Assessing authorities		
Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
1	chief executive or managing director	Australian Institute of Management
2	corporate general manager	Australian Institute of Management
3	engineering manager	Australian Institute of Management
4	medical laboratory scientist	Australian Institute of Medical Scientists
5	sales and marketing manager	Australian Institute of Management
6	advertising manager	Australian Institute of Management

Assessing authorities		
Item	Column 1 Occupation	Column 2 Assessing authority
7	public relations manager	Australian Institute of Management
8	human resource manager	Australian Institute of Management
9	supply and distribution manager	Australian Institute of Management
10	procurement manager	Australian Institute of Management
11	information and organisation professionals (nec)	VETASSESS
12	medical laboratory technician	Australian Institute of Medical Scientists
13	pathology collector (Aus) / phlebotomist (NZ)	Australian Institute of Medical Scientists

11 Application of amendments made by the Migration Legislation Amendment (Assessing Authorities) Instrument 2026

- (1) The amendments of this instrument made by Schedule 2 to the *Migration Legislation Amendment (Assessing Authorities) Instrument 2026 (LIN 26/027)* apply in relation to an application for a Subclass 494 (Skilled Employer Sponsored Regional (Provisional) visa made, but not finally determined, on or after 8 October 2025.
- (2) However, the amendments of this instrument made by Schedule 2 to LIN 26/027 do not apply in relation to an application made, but not finally determined, on or after 8 October 2025 if:
 - (a) the application includes a skills assessment for the occupation of Surveyor; and
 - (b) the skills assessment is dated on or before 21 August 2025.

Endnotes

Endnote 1—About the endnotes

The endnotes provide information about this compilation and the compiled law.

The following endnotes are included in every compilation:

Endnote 1—About the endnotes

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Abbreviation key—Endnote 2

The abbreviation key sets out abbreviations that may be used in the endnotes.

Legislation history and amendment history—Endnotes 3 and 4

Amending laws are annotated in the legislation history and amendment history.

The legislation history in endnote 3 provides information about each law that has amended (or will amend) the compiled law. The information includes commencement details for amending laws and details of any application, saving or transitional provisions that are not included in this compilation.

The amendment history in endnote 4 provides information about amendments at the provision (generally section or equivalent) level. It also includes information about any provision of the compiled law that has been repealed in accordance with a provision of the law.

Misdescribed amendments

A misdescribed amendment is an amendment that does not accurately describe how an amendment is to be made. If, despite the misdescription, the amendment can be given effect as intended, then the misdescribed amendment can be incorporated through an editorial change made under section 15V of the *Legislation Act 2003*.

If a misdescribed amendment cannot be given effect as intended, the amendment is not incorporated and “(md not incorp)” is added to the amendment history.

Endnotes

Endnote 2—Abbreviation key

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ad = added or inserted	orig = original
am = amended	p = page(s)
amdt = amendment	para = paragraph(s)/subparagraph(s) /sub-subparagraph(s)
C[x] = Compilation No. x	pres = present
ch = Chapter(s)	prev = previous (prev...) = previously
cl = clause(s)	pt = Part(s)
cont. = continued	r = regulation(s)/Court rule(s)
def = definition(s)	reloc = relocated
Dict = Dictionary	renum = renumbered
disallowed = disallowed by Parliament	rep = repealed
div = Division(s)	rs = repealed and substituted
exp = expires/expired or ceases/ceased to have effect	s = section(s)/subsection(s) /rule(s)/subrule(s)/order(s)/suborder(s)
gaz = gazette	sch = Schedule(s)
LA = <i>Legislation Act 2003</i>	SLI = Select Legislative Instrument
LIA = <i>Legislative Instruments Act 2003</i>	SR = Statutory Rules
(md not incorp) = misdescribed amendment cannot be given effect	sub ch = Sub-Chapter(s)
mod = modified/modification	sub div = Subdivision(s)
No. = Number(s)	sub pt = Subpart(s)
Ord = Ordinance	<u>underlining</u> = whole or part not commenced or to be commenced

Endnote 3—Legislation history

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Name	Registration	Commencement	Application, saving and transitional provisions
<i>Migration (LIN 19/260: Assessing Authorities for Subclass 494 Visas) Instrument 2019</i>	31 Oct 2019 (F2019L01405)	16 Nov 2019 (s 2)	
<i>Migration (Assessing Authorities for Subclass 494 Visas) Amendment Instrument (LIN 22/054) 2022</i>	5 May 2022 (F2022L00679)	6 May 2022 (s 2)	—
<i>Migration Amendment (Skills in Demand Visa and Related Matters) Instrument 2024</i>	6 Dec 2024 (F2024L01621)	Sch 6: 7 Dec 2024 (s 2)	—
<i>Migration Amendment (Relevant Assessing Authorities and Other Matters) Instrument 2024</i>	13 Dec 2024 (F2024L01675)	Sch 5: 14 Dec 2024 (s 2)	—
<i>Migration Amendment (Skilled Visa Reform Technical Measures) Instrument 2025</i>	6 Nov 2025 (F2025L01358)	7 Nov 2025 (s 2)	—
<i>Migration Legislation Amendment (Assessing Authorities) Instrument 2026</i>	27 Mar 2026 (F2026L00369)	28 Mar 2026 (s 2)	—

Endnotes

Endnote 4—Amendment history

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Provision affected	How affected
s 2.....	rep LA s 48D
s 3.....	am F2024L01675
s 5.....	rs F2024L01675
s 6.....	am F2022L00679
s 6(1) (table, item 30)	rs F2024L01621
s 6(1) (table item 30, column 2)	rs F2026L00369
s 6(1)(table, item 79)	rs F2024L01621
s 7.....	am F2022L00679
s 9.....	am F2022L00679
s 9 (table, item 28AA)	ad F2024L01621
s 9 (table, item 36)	rep F2024L01621
Pt 3	ad F2022L00679
s 3.....	rs F2025L01358
s 5.....	rs F2025L01358
s 9 (table)	rs F2025L01358
s 9 (table)	rs F2026L00369
s 11.....	ad F2026L00369