



Migration Amendment (Differential Student Visa Application Charge) Regulations 2025

I, the Honourable Sam Mostyn AC, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations.

Dated 20 February 2025

Sam Mostyn AC
Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command

Tony Burke
Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Migration Amendment (Differential Student Visa Application Charge) Regulations 2025*.

2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this instrument	22 March 2025.	22 March 2025

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under the *Migration Act 1958*.

4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Migration Regulations 1994

1 Subregulation 2.12F(9)

Repeal the subregulation.

2 Regulation 2.12FA

Repeal the regulation.

3 Regulations 2.12K and 2.12L

Omit “, 2.12FA”.

4 Subparagraph 1222(2)(a)(i) of Schedule 1

Omit “and”.

5 After subparagraph 1222(2)(a)(i) of Schedule 1

Insert:

(ia) for:

- (A) an applicant (the *primary applicant*) who is seeking to meet the primary criteria for the grant of a Student (Temporary) (Class TU) visa and who holds a valid passport issued by a country specified in subitem (5A); or
- (B) an applicant whose application is combined, or sought to be combined, with an application made by the primary applicant; or
- (C) an applicant who is a member of the family unit of a person who both holds a Student (Temporary) (Class TU) visa, having satisfied the primary criteria for that visa, and who holds a valid passport issued by a country specified in subitem (5A):

First instalment		
Item	Component	Amount
1	Base application charge	\$710
2	Additional applicant charge for an applicant who is at least 18	\$530
3	Additional applicant charge for an applicant who is less than 18	\$175

6 After subitem 1222(5) of Schedule 1

Insert:

- (5A) For the purposes of subparagraph (2)(a)(ia), the following countries are specified:
- (a) Federated States of Micronesia;
 - (b) Fiji;
 - (c) Kiribati;
 - (d) Nauru;

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- (e) Palau;
 - (f) Papua New Guinea;
 - (g) Republic of the Marshall Islands;
 - (h) Samoa;
 - (i) Solomon Islands;
 - (j) Timor-Leste;
 - (k) Tonga;
 - (l) Tuvalu;
 - (m) Vanuatu.

7 In the appropriate position in Schedule 13

Insert:

Part 150—Amendments made by the Migration Amendment (Differential Student Visa Application Charge) Regulations 2025

15001 Definitions

In this Part:

amending regulations means the *Migration Amendment (Differential Student Visa Application Charge) Regulations 2025*.

commencement day means 22 March 2025.

15002 Application and saving provisions

- (1) Despite the amendments of regulations 2.12F, 2.12FA, 2.12K and 2.12L made by Schedule 1 to the amending regulations, those regulations, as in force immediately before the commencement day, continue to apply on or after the commencement day until 22 June 2025 in relation to an amount that has been paid by way of the first instalment of the visa application charge paid before the commencement day, as if those amendments had not been made.
- (2) The amendments of these Regulations made by items 5 and 6 of Schedule 1 to the amending regulations apply in relation to a visa application made on or after the commencement day.