

Australian Government

Department of Immigration and Border Protection

# Application for approval as a special program sponsor

#### About this form

Important – Please read this information carefully before you complete your sponsorship application. Once you have completed your sponsorship application we strongly advise that you keep a copy for your records.

All forms are available from the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (the department) website **www.border.gov.au/allforms**/

Forms are available in PDF file format and can be filled in on screen, printed and mailed to the department.

#### Who should use this form

This form should be used by organisations seeking to sponsor a person(s) to work or undertake an activity in Australia on a Special Program (subclass 416) visa.

#### Sponsorship arrangements NOT covered by this form

If you want to sponsor a person for any visa other than the Special Program (subclass 416) visa, do not use this form. For the appropriate form, check the department's website **www.border.gov.au/allforms**/

#### Sponsorship arrangements

Sponsor class - special program sponsor.

**Eligibility** – must be a youth exchange organisation, community based not for profit organisation, other Australian organisation or government agency operating in Australia that has an approved Special Programme Agreement.

**Note**: Schools seeking to invite participants under the School to School Interchange or School Language Assistants Programmes do not require an approved Special Programme Agreement but do require sponsorship.

Nomination - Not required

If your application is approved in relation to a programme other than a Special Programme of Seasonal Work, you may only sponsor the total number of people specified in the approved Special Programme Agreement.

A sponsor may be approved for up to 3 years.

You can apply to vary (extend) your sponsorship.

It is important to ensure that visa applications are lodged well before the expiry of the sponsorship approval as a visa can only be granted when the sponsorship approval is valid.

If your sponsorship period (of 3 years) is due to expire and you wish to continue to sponsor visa applicants, you should apply to vary (renew for a further 3 years) your sponsorship. If the sponsorship approval ceases you will need to reapply and be approved as a sponsor to sponsor further visa applicants.

#### Who can be an approved special program sponsor?

To be approved as a special program sponsor, an organisation must be:

- an Australian organisation lawfully established and an actively operating entity in Australia (ie. a body corporate, a partnership or an unincorporated association, other than an individual or sole trader); or
- a government agency.

In addition, an organisation applying to be a sponsor must have:

- signed the Sponsorship applicant's declaration at Part J;
- entered into a Special Programme Agreement with the Secretary or delegate except for the School to School Interchange or School Language Assistants Programme; and
- a satisfactory record of compliance with laws of Australia.

#### Sponsorship obligations

**Note:** A **primary sponsored person** is the person the sponsor identifies to employ or engage in an occupation or activity. **Secondary sponsored persons** are members of the primary sponsored person's family unit.

## The obligations apply to all sponsors unless otherwise indicated.

#### Obligation to cooperate with inspectors

The sponsor must cooperate with inspectors appointed under the *Migration Act 1958* in determining whether:

- a sponsorship obligation is being, or has been, complied with; or
- other circumstances, in which the department may take administrative action, exist or have existed.

This obligation starts to apply on the day the sponsorship is approved.

This obligation ends 5 years after the day on which the approved sponsorship ceases.

#### Obligation to keep records

The sponsor must keep records of their compliance with the obligations. All records must be reproducible and some must be capable of verification by an independent person. For a complete list of the records that must be kept, including the manner in which the records should be kept, see **www.border.gov.au/trav/work/work/temporary-**

#### residence-sponsor-obligations

This obligation starts to apply on the day the sponsorship is approved.

This obligation ends 2 years after the concurrence of the following 2 events:

- the approved sponsorship ceases; and
- there are no sponsored persons in relation to the sponsorship.

However, no records need be kept for more than 5 years under this obligation.

#### Obligation to provide records and information

The sponsor must provide records or information relating to the administration of sponsorship requested by written notice if the sponsor is required to keep the records or information:

- under a law of the Commonwealth or a state or territory; or
- the obligation to keep records.

The records and information must be provided in the manner, and within the timeframe, requested in the written notice.

This obligation starts to apply on the day the sponsorship is approved.

This obligation ends 2 years after the concurrence of the following 2 events:

- the approved sponsorship ceases; and
- there are no sponsored persons in relation to the sponsorship.

## Obligation to provide information to the department when certain events occur

The sponsor must provide certain information to the department when certain events occur. This information must be provided by registered post or email, to a specified address and within 28 working days of the event occurring. For a complete list of the information and events see

#### www.border.gov.au/trav/work/work/temporaryresidence-sponsor-obligations

This obligation starts to apply on the day the sponsorship is approved.

This obligation ends on the day after the concurrence of the following 2 events:

- the approved sponsorship ceases; and
- there are no sponsored persons in relation to the sponsorship.

#### Obligation not to recover certain costs from a sponsored person

The sponsor must not charge, transfer or recover, or seek to charge, transfer or recover, from the sponsored person, all or part of the costs (including migration agent costs):

- in relation to the recruitment of the primary sponsored person;
- in association with becoming or being a sponsor or former approved sponsor.

This obligation starts to apply on the day the sponsorship is approved.

This obligation ends on concurrence of the following 2 events:

- the approved sponsorship ceases; and
- there are no sponsored persons in relation to the sponsorship.

## Obligation to pay costs incurred by the Commonwealth to locate and remove an unlawful non-citizen

The sponsor must pay costs incurred by the Commonwealth in locating and/or removing a sponsored person from Australia, if requested by written notice. The sponsor is liable to pay the Commonwealth the difference between the actual costs incurred by the Commonwealth (up to a maximum of AUD10,000) and any amount already paid under the *Obligation to pay travel costs to enable sponsored persons to leave Australia*.

This obligation starts to apply on the day on which the sponsored person becomes an unlawful non-citizen.

This obligation ends 5 years after the sponsored person leaves Australia. However, the sponsor is only liable for costs up to the time the sponsored person leaves Australia.

#### Obligation to secure an offer of a reasonable standard of Accommodation (does not apply to a Special Programme of Seasonal Work)

Where the primary sponsored person is not receiving a salary or wages, the sponsor must secure an offer of a reasonable standard of accommodation for the sponsored persons while they are in Australia. For a guide to what is 'a reasonable standard' see

#### www.border.gov.au/trav/work/work/temporaryresidence-sponsor-obligations

This obligation starts to apply on the day the person is granted the visa.

This obligation ends on the day (whichever is the earliest):

- on which the sponsored person is granted a substantive visa of a different subclass to the one last held (if the sponsored person is granted another substantive visa of the same type they last held in order to continue to work for the sponsor, the obligation continues); or
- the sponsored person has left Australia and the relevant visa (and any subsequent bridging visa) is no longer in effect.

#### Obligation to pay travel costs to enable sponsored persons to leave Australia (*does not apply to a Special Programme of Seasonal Work*)

The sponsor must pay reasonable and necessary travel costs to enable the sponsored person to leave Australia if the costs have been requested in writing by the department or the sponsored person, and the costs have not already been paid by the sponsor in accordance with this obligation.

The costs will be considered reasonable and necessary provided they:

- include travel from the primary sponsored person's usual place of residence in Australia to the place of departure from Australia;
- include travel from Australia to the country (for which the person holds a passport) specified in the request to pay travel costs;
- are for economy class air travel or, where unavailable, a reasonable equivalent; and
- are paid within 30 days of receiving the request.

This obligation starts to apply on the day the sponsored person is granted a subclass 416 visa, unless he or she already holds a visa of the same subclass, in which case the obligation starts to apply on the day the nomination for the primary sponsored person is approved.

This obligation ends on the day (whichever is the earliest):

- on which the sponsored person is granted a substantive visa other than a subclass 416 visa (if the primary sponsored person is granted another visa of the same subclass in order to continue to work for the sponsor, the obligation continues);
- the sponsored person has left Australia and the relevant visa (and any subsequent bridging visa) is no longer in effect.

#### Sanctions for failing to satisfy sponsorship obligations

If the sponsor fails to satisfy a sponsorship obligation, the Minister may take one or more of the following actions:

#### Administrative

- bar the sponsor, for a specified period, from sponsoring more people under the terms of one or more existing approvals as a sponsor for different kinds of visas;
- bar the sponsor, for a specified period, from making future applications for approval as a sponsor in relation to one or more classes of sponsor;
- cancel one or all of the sponsor's existing approvals as a sponsor;

Civil

- apply to a Court for a civil penalty order of up to AUD51,000 for a corporation and AUD10,200 for an individual for each failure; or
- issue an infringement notice of up to AUD10,200 for a body corporate and AUD2,040 for an individual for each failure.

#### Other reasons why administrative action may be taken

There are a number of other circumstances (besides failure to satisfy a sponsorship obligation) in which the administrative actions described in the dot points above may be taken:

- provision of false or misleading information to the department or the Administrative Review Tribunal;
- the sponsor no longer satisfies the criteria for approval as a sponsor or for variation of a term of that approval;
- the sponsor has been found by a court or competent authority to have contravened a Commonwealth, state or territory law;
- a primary sponsored person is found to have contravened a law relating to the licensing, registration or membership required in order to work in the occupation;
- an unapproved change to a Special Programme Agreement; or
- failure to comply with certain terms of a Special Programme Agreement.

#### Monitoring

If you are approved as a special program sponsor you must comply with the sponsorship obligations (as outlined on pages 1–3). The department will monitor compliance with the sponsorship obligations and whether associated visa holders are abiding by their visa conditions.

Routine monitoring is conducted from time to time and monitoring may also be initiated based on information provided to the department. This may take place during the approved sponsorship period and for up to 5 years after the sponsorship ceases.

The department conducts monitoring in 3 main ways:

- exchanging information with other Commonwealth, state and territory government agencies, including the Department of Employment, the Fair Work Ombudsman and the Australian Taxation Office;
- written requests to the sponsor to provide information in accordance with the obligation to provide records and information;
- site visits, usually to the sponsored business premises, with or without notice.

Monitoring may include investigations being conducted by Commonwealth officers called inspectors. Inspectors have certain investigative powers under the *Migration Act 1958*. Failure to cooperate with inspectors is a breach of the sponsorship obligations and the department may take action against the sponsor. For details on the actions the department may take refer to *Sanctions for failing to satisfy sponsorship obligations* on this page.

All written communication about the department's monitoring requirements will be sent directly to you, unless you have authorised another person, including migration agents, to act and receive information on your behalf. The sponsorship obligations (including the obligations to cooperate and provide information to the department) will remain with you as the sponsor even if you have authorised another person to act and receive information on your behalf.

#### Integrity of the sponsorship application

The department is committed to maintaining the integrity of the visa and citizenship programmes. Please be aware that if you provide us with fraudulent documents or claims, this may result in processing delays, your sponsorship application being refused and imposition of one or more of the sanctions listed.

#### Fees

An application fee is required when lodging this sponsorship application. Payment of the fee **must** accompany your sponsorship application. Payment of the fee does not guarantee sponsor approval and is not refundable.

Fees may be subject to adjustment at any time.

To check the sponsorship fee, refer to the department's website **www.border.gov.au/trav/visa/fees** or check with the nearest office of the department.

#### Method of payment

To make a payment, please pay by credit card, bank cheque or money order made payable to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. Credit card is the preferred method of payment.

#### How to fill in this form

Use a black or blue pen, and write neatly in English using BLOCK LETTERS.

If insufficient space, give details at *Part K – Additional information* or attach a signed and dated sheet with the details.

Use the *Document checklist* at Part I to make sure you have provided everything required.

Any alterations made before you lodge the form must be dated and initialled.

#### Making your application

To make your sponsorship application you must provide the completed sponsorship application, payment and any attachments, if required.

You can only apply for one sponsor class on each sponsorship application. If you want to apply for more than one sponsor class you will need to complete a separate sponsorship application for each class using the relevant form.

Your application should be made at the correct address for this sponsorship application. More information about Special Programme visas and lodgement addresses is available from the department's website

#### www.border.gov.au/trav/visa-1/416-

#### What happens next?

It is important that you lodge your sponsorship application with all the documents necessary to assess your sponsorship application. Lodging a complete sponsorship application assists case officers in making a fair and complete assessment of your claims and results in faster processing times. You may be asked to provide additional information to enable a decision to be made.

You will be advised in writing whether or not your sponsorship application has been approved. If your sponsorship application has not been approved, you will be given a reason for the decision as well as information about your review rights.

If you are approved for a sponsor class, you should provide a copy of the approval letter to any person you intend to sponsor.

The primary person and any secondary persons may lodge a visa application at the same time as, or subsequent to, the approval of your sponsorship arrangement. However, their visas will not be granted until the sponsorship is in place.

#### Immigration assistance

A person gives immigration assistance to you if he or she uses, or claims to use, his or her knowledge or experience in migration procedure to assist you with your visa application, request for ministerial intervention, cancellation review application, sponsorship or nomination.

In Australia a person may only lawfully give immigration assistance if he or she is a registered migration agent or is exempt from being registered. Only registered migration agents may receive a fee or reward for providing immigration assistance.

If an unregistered person in Australia, who is not exempt from registration, gives you immigration assistance they are committing a criminal offence and may be prosecuted.

#### Migration agents in Australia

Migration agents in Australia must be registered with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (Office of the MARA) unless they are exempt from registration.

#### Migration agents outside Australia

Migration agents who operate outside Australia do not have to be registered. The department may give some overseas agents an ID number. This number does not mean that they are registered.

**Note**: Some Australian registered migration agents operate overseas.

#### Migration agent information

A migration agent is someone who can:

- advise you on the visa that may best suit you;
- tell you the documents you need to submit with your application;
- help you fill in the application and submit it; and
- communicate with the department on your behalf.

If you appoint a migration agent, the department will assume that your migration agent will be your authorised recipient, unless you indicate otherwise.

Your migration agent will be the person with whom the department will discuss your application and from whom it will seek further information when required.

You are not required to use a migration agent. However, if you use a migration agent, the department encourages you to use a registered migration agent. Registered agents are bound by the Migration Agents Code of Conduct, which requires them to act professionally in their clients' lawful best interests.

Information on migration agents, including a list of registered migration agents, is available on the Office of the MARA website **www.mara.gov.au** 

You can also access information about migration agents on the department's website **www.border.gov.au** 

#### Exempt persons

The following people do not have to be a registered migration agent in order to provide immigration assistance, but they must not charge a fee for their service:

- a close family member (spouse, de facto partner, child, parent, brother or sister);
- a member of parliament or their staff;
- an official whose duties include providing immigration assistance (eg. a Legal Aid provider);
- a member of a diplomatic mission, consular post or international organisation.

#### Appointing a migration agent/exempt person

To appoint a migration agent/exempt person you should complete *Part G – Options for receiving written communications*.

Your migration agent/exempt person should complete form 956 Advice by a migration agent/exempt person of providing immigration assistance.

Form 956 is available from the department's website **www.border.gov.au/allforms**/

#### Options for receiving written communications

If you do not appoint a migration agent/exempt person you may still authorise another person, in writing, to receive written communications on your behalf. This person is called the authorised recipient.

#### Authorised recipient information

All written communication about your application will be sent to your authorised recipient, unless you indicate that you wish to have health and/or character information sent directly to you.

The department will communicate with the most recently appointed authorised recipient as you may only appoint one authorised recipient at any time for a particular application.

You will be taken to have received any documents sent to that person as if they had been sent to you.

To appoint an authorised recipient you should complete:

- Part G Options for receiving written communications; and
- form 956A Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient.

**Note**: Migration agents/exempt persons do not need to complete form 956A.

Form 956A is available from the department's website **www.border.gov.au/allforms**/

#### Consent to communicate electronically

The department may use a range of means to communicate with you. However, electronic means such as fax or email will only be used if you indicate your agreement to receiving communication in this way.

To process your application the department may need to communicate with you about sensitive information, for example, health, police checks, financial viability and personal relationships. Electronic communications, unless adequately encrypted, are not secure and may be viewed by others or interfered with.

If you agree to the department communicating with you by electronic means, the details you provide will only be used by the department for the purpose for which you have provided them, unless there is a legal obligation or necessity to use them for another purpose, or you have consented to use for another purpose. They will not be added to any mailing list.

The Australian Government accepts no responsibility for the security or integrity of any information sent to the department over the internet or by other electronic means.

If you authorise another person to receive documents on your behalf and they wish to be contacted electronically, their signature is required on form 956 or 956A to indicate their consent to this form of communication.

**Note**: Electronic communication is the fastest means of communication available and the department prefers to communicate electronically because this results in faster processing.

#### Important information about privacy

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988*. Important information about the collection, use and disclosure (to other agencies and third parties, including overseas entities) of your personal information, including sensitive information, is contained in form 1442i *Privacy notice*. Form 1442i is available from the department's website **www.border.gov.au/allforms**/ or offices of the department. You should ensure that you read and understand form 1442i before completing this form.

Home page

#### e www.border.gov.au

General enquiry line Telephone **131 881** during business hours in Australia to speak to an operator (recorded information available outside these hours). If you are outside Australia, please contact your nearest Australian mission.

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Please use a pen, and write neatly in English using BLOCK LETTERS. Tick where applicable  $\checkmark$ 

## Part A – General information

1 Are you, or have you previously been approved as a special program sponsor?

No	
Yes	Sponsor name
	Organisation name
	Approval date
	DAY MONTH YEAR
	Sponsorship application ID number (if known)
	Note: ID number can be found on the approval letter from
	the department.

2 Is this an application to vary the terms of an existing special program sponsorship (ie. extend the validity of your sponsorship)? For further information see *Sponsorship arrangements covered by this* 

form	on	page	1.
No			
Yes			

3 What is the organisation/individual structure? Note: A sole trader is not eligible for approval as a sponsor.

Partnership
Company
Government agency or statutory authority
Religious institution
Unincorporated body
Other type of entity

### Part B – Organisation details

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Registra	ation type
Australi	an Business Number (ABN)
Australi	an Company Number (ACN) <i>(if applicable)</i>
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Australi	an Registered Body Number (ARBN) (if applicable)
	an Stock Exchange Code (ASX Code) <i>(if applicable)</i>
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7 Which industry sector will you be operating in?

**Note**: Industry sectors listed below are taken from the Australia and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC).

ANZSIC is the standard classification used in Australia and New Zealand for the collection, compilation and publication of statistics by industry.

(Tick one box only)	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	
	Mining	
	Manufacturing	
	Electricity, gas, water and waste services	
	Construction	
	Wholesale trade	
	Accommodation and food services	
	Transport postal and warehousing	
	Information media and telecommunications	
	Financial and insurance services	
	Rental, hiring and real estate services	
	Professional, scientific and technical	
	Administrative and support services	
	Public administration and safety	
	Education and training	
	Health care and social assistance	
	Arts and recreation services	
	Other services	

8 Date business commenced operations, or organisation established business in Australia

[	DAY	MONTH	l	YEAR
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**9** For the Australian operations of the organisation, what is the total number of:

Australian employees (Australian citizens and permanent residents)	
Foreign employees (non-Australian citizens or non-permanent residents)	
Full-time employees	

**10** What was the annual turnover for the organisation for the most recent full financial year

### Part C – Address and contact details

**11** Street address where the organisation is located

**Note:** A street address is required as a post office box address cannot be accepted.

POSTCODE

#### 12 Postal address

AUD

(If the same as street address, write 'AS ABOVE')



**13** Contact person in the organisation for enquiries about this application

Family name	
Given names	
Position	
Telephone number	(AREA CODE )
Mobile/cell	

**14** Do you agree to the department communicating with you by email and/or fax?

This may include receiving notification of the outcome of this application.

**Note**: We can communicate about this application more quickly using email and/or fax.

No				
Yes 🚺 🕨 Give	e details			
Email address				
Fax number	(AREA CODE	)		

### Part D – Sponsorship details

**15** Are you applying as a special program sponsor for: *(Tick one box only)* 

Special Programme of Seasonal Work	
Cultural Enrichment/Community Benefit Programme [	
Youth Exchange Programme	
School to School Interchange Programme	
School Language Assistant Programme	

**16** Do you have a Special Programme Agreement?

No		
Yes	Give details	



## Part E – Sponsorship information

**17** Have you previously been refused an application for any class of sponsorship?

No	
Yes	Give details

If insufficient space, give details at Part K – Additional information

- **18** Have you, or any principal of the organisation, in the last 3 years:
  - been found guilty by a court of an offence under a Commonwealth, state or territory law;

(**Note**: A law refers to a law relating to the following only: discrimination, immigration, industrial relations, occupational health and safety, people smuggling and related offences, slavery, sexual servitude and deceptive recruitment, taxation, terrorism, trafficking in persons and debt bondage.)

- been found by a competent authority to have acted in contravention of a law;
- been the subject of administrative action (including being warned) by a competent authority for possible contravention of a law;
- been under investigation, subject to disciplinary action or legal proceedings in relation to an alleged contravention of a law; or
- become insolvent?

No

Yes Give details

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If insufficient space, give details at Part K – Additional information

**19** Are you, or any principal of the organisation, currently awaiting the outcome of any proceedings mentioned at Question 18?

No

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If insufficient space, give details at Part K – Additional information

**20** Is there any adverse information relating to your suitability to sponsor people from overseas?

No	
Yes	Give details

If insufficient space, give details at Part K – Additional information

**21** Have you taken any action, or sought to take any action, that would result in the **transfer** to another person, some or all of the costs associated with you becoming an approved sponsor or that relate to the recruitment of a person from overseas (including migration agent costs)?

No	
Yes	Give details

If insufficient space, give details at Part K – Additional information

- **22** Have you taken any action, or sought to take any action, that would result in another person(s) **paying** some or all of the costs associated with you becoming an approved sponsor or that relate to the recruitment of a person from overseas (including migration agent costs)?
  - No Sive details



If insufficient space, give details at Part K – Additional information

**23** Have you **recovered**, or sought to **recover**, from another person, some or all of the costs associated with you becoming an approved sponsor or that relate to the recruitment of a person from overseas (including migration agent costs)?

No	

Yes Give details

If insufficient space, give details at Part K – Additional information

### Part F – Assistance with this form

24	Did you receive	assistance in completing this form?			
	No <b>Go to Part G</b>				
	Yes 📄 🕨 Plea	ase give details of the person who assisted you			
	Title: Mr	Mrs Miss Ms Other			
	Family name				
	Given names				
	Address				
		POSTCODE			
	Telephone num	ber or daytime contact			
	Office hours	(AREA CODE )			
	Mobile/cell				
25	Agents Registra	n agent registered with the Office of the Migration ation Authority (Office of the MARA)? <b>to Part G</b>			
26	Is the person/ag	gent in Australia?			
	No <b>b</b> Go Yes	to Part G			
27	Did you pay the No Yes	person/agent and/or give a gift for this assistance?			
	Part G –	Options for receiving written			

## communications

**28** All written communications about this application should be sent to: *(Tick one box only)* 



You should complete form 956A Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient

Your migration agent/exempt person should complete form 956 Advice by a migration agent/exempt person of providing immigration assistance

## Part H – Payment details

**29** How will you pay your application charge?

**Note**: A surcharge may apply to payments made by credit card. Further information is available from

#### www.border.gov.au/trav/visa/fees/how-to-pay-for-an-application

Credit card is the preferred method of payment. If paying by bank
cheque or money order please make payable to the Department of
Immigration and Border Protection.

Bank cheque	]
Money order Credit card	J J▶ Give details below
Payment by (tick o	ne box) Australian Dollars
MasterCard American Express Visa	
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Expiry date	IONTH YEAR
Cardholder's name	
Telephone (AF	REA CODE )
Address	
	POSTCODE

As the cardholder I acknowledge and accept that a credit card surcharge may apply to the transaction.

Signature of	
cardholder	Æ

Credit card information will be used for charge paying purposes only.

### Part I – Document checklist

**30** You **may** need to provide supporting documents to demonstrate that you satisfy sponsorship requirements.

#### **Financial status**

You may need to provide evidence of your financial status. You do not need to provide evidence of financial status of the organisation if it: · operates in the government administration industry sector (ie. the organisation is an Australian Commonwealth, state, territory or local government organisation, a government business enterprise or a statutory authority/agency); or • is listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX) and you have provided an ASX Code at Question 6; or · has more than 20 full-time employees, has satisfactorily sponsored temporary resident visa holders previously, and is listed with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC), and you have provided an ABN and/or ACN/ARBN at Question 6 In any other instance you should provide: • a letter of support from a chartered accountant, CPA, PNA, FPNA or reputable financial institution that clearly summarises the organisation's ability to meet its financial responsibilities If you do not choose to provide a letter of support, you may need to provide other details of the organisation's financial status such as: • bank statements (for the past 6 months or more) • balance sheets/profit and loss statements for the business relating to the most recently concluding financial year relevant extracts from the business plan including cash flow projections contracts ٠ lease agreements • statements concerning the source of any funds

## New or Start-up business (a business that has operated for less than 12 months at the time this application is lodged)

<ul><li>A combination of the following documentation may be submitted, depending on the specific circumstances:</li><li>detailed Business Plan</li></ul>	
Contract of Sale relating to the purchase of the business	
lease agreement relating to business premises	
<ul> <li>evidence of lease or purchase of machinery, equipment, furniture, etc</li> </ul>	
contracts to provide services	
evidence of employment of staff	
<ul> <li>Business Activity Statements (BAS) for each complete quarter from commencement of operations to date of lodgement</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>business bank statements covering the period of operation</li> </ul>	

#### Other documents

Attach the following documents (where relevant) to this application. Refer to the question to see if you need to attach the document.

Tick 🗸 when completed

Question	Document	Attached?
9	Copy of the organisation's structure chart	
16	Copy of the organisation's Special Programme Agreement with the Department of Immigration and Border Protection	
28	<ul> <li>If authorising another person, provide either:</li> <li>completed form 956 Advice by a migration agent/exempt person of providing immigration assistance; or</li> </ul>	
	• completed form 956A Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient	

# *Part J – Sponsorship applicant's declaration*

**31 WARNING**: Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

As a representative for the organisation listed at Question 4, I declare that I:

- have read and understood the information provided in this application.
- have provided complete and correct information in every detail in this application, and in any attachments to it.
- understand that if I give false or misleading information, the application may be refused.
- will inform the department in writing immediately as I become aware of a change in circumstances (including change of address) or if there is any change relating to information I have provided in or with this application, while it is being considered.
- have read the sponsorship obligations detailed on pages 1–2 of this application.
- understand the sponsorship obligations and other sponsorship requirements and understand that I/the organisation is bound by the sponsorship obligations and other sponsorship requirements with respect to all primary and secondary persons that I/the organisation consents to sponsor in writing.
- have read the information contained in form 1442i Privacy notice.
- understand the department may collect, use and disclose my personal information (including biometric information and other sensitive information) as outlined in form 1442i Privacy notice.

Signature of authorised		
officer	Æ1	
	DAY MONTH YEAR	
Date	/ /	
Full name (block letters)		
Position in the o	organisation	
Office hours tel	ephone	
(AREA CODE	)	

We strongly advise that you keep a copy of your application and all attachments for your records.

## Part K – Additional information

32	Question number	Additional information

If insufficient space, attach additional details.