



# Application for approval as an entertainment sponsor

Form  
**1420S**

## About this form

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

All relevant questions on this form should be answered and any requested information attached. The Department of Immigration and Border Protection (the department) may decide your application on the basis of the information provided on your application.

All forms are available from the department's website  
[www.border.gov.au/allforms/](http://www.border.gov.au/allforms/)

## Who should use this form?

This form should be used by organisations or eligible individuals seeking to sponsor a person(s) to work temporarily in Australia in the entertainment industry on a Temporary Work (Entertainment) (subclass 420) visa.

## Sponsorship arrangements covered by this form

A entertainment sponsor may be approved for up to 3 years, during this period there is no limit on the number of people you can nominate.

If you are currently approved as an entertainment sponsor but your sponsorship period (of 3 years) is due to expire and you wish to continue to nominate visa applicants, you should apply to vary (renew for a further 3 years) your sponsorship within 4 weeks of its expiry. All sponsorship applications take effect from the date of approval, not from the expiry of your current sponsorship.

A nomination will be required to match the person you wish to sponsor to the proposed position or activity. It is important to ensure that the nomination and visa applications are lodged well before the expiry of the sponsorship period.

Nominated persons granted visas may stay in Australia for the length of the visa period – the visa does not automatically expire when your entertainment sponsorship expires.

For further information on sponsorship, nomination and visa validity periods refer to the department's website  
[www.border.gov.au/trav/visa-1/420-](http://www.border.gov.au/trav/visa-1/420-)

To nominate a person who may apply for a Temporary Work (Entertainment) (subclass 420) visa you will need to complete form 1420N *Nomination for an entertainment position*.

## Who can be an approved sponsor?

To be approved as an entertainment sponsor, an organisation or eligible individual must be at least one of the following entity types:

- an Australian organisation lawfully operating in Australia;
- a government agency;
- a foreign government agency; or
- an Australian citizen an Australian permanent resident, or an eligible New Zealand citizen<sup>1</sup>, who is usually resident in Australia.

**Note:** An 'Australian organisation' means a body corporate, a partnership or an unincorporated association (other than an individual or a sole trader) that is lawfully established in Australia.

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

- the capacity to comply with sponsorship obligations;
- a satisfactory record of compliance with laws of Australia; and
- signed the *Sponsorship declaration* at Part J.

## Integrity of the sponsorship application

The department is committed to maintaining the integrity of the visa and citizenship programmes. If you provide us with fraudulent documents or claims, this may result in processing delays and/or your application being refused. Providing false or misleading information, documents or statements to an officer is a serious offence, with a maximum penalty of 10 years imprisonment or 1,000 penalty units, or both.

## Sponsorship obligations

**Note:** A primary sponsored person is the person identified in the nomination by the sponsor to undertake the nominated occupation or activity. Secondary sponsored persons are members of the primary sponsored person's family unit.

For precise definitions see form 1420N *Nomination for an entertainment position*.

The obligations apply to all entertainment sponsors.

### 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
- 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.

For more information see *Other reasons why administrative action may be taken* on page 3.

<sup>1</sup> If you are an 'eligible New Zealand citizen', in addition to being usually resident in Australia, you may be required to meet health and character requirements. The department will contact you if you need to undertake health and/or character checks.

### **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](http://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 calendar days of the event occurring.

For a complete list of the information and events see [www.border.gov.au/trav/work/work/temporary-residence-sponsor-obligations](http://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 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 a person, all or part of the costs (including migration agent costs):

- in relation to the recruitment of the primary sponsored person; or
- 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.

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 ensure the primary sponsored person works or participates in the nominated occupation, programme or activity**

The sponsor must ensure that the primary sponsored person works or participates in the nominated occupation, programme or activity. If a sponsor wants to employ or engage a primary sponsored person in a different occupation, programme or activity, the sponsor must lodge a new nomination in respect of that occupation, programme or activity for the primary sponsored person.

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

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

- on which a nomination by another sponsor in relation to the primary sponsored person is approved;
- on which the primary sponsored person is granted a substantive visa of a different subclass to the one they last held (if the primary 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 person has left Australia and the relevant visa (and any subsequent bridging visa) is no longer in effect.

## Obligation to secure an offer of a reasonable standard of accommodation

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/temporary-residence-sponsor-obligations](http://www.border.gov.au/trav/work/work/temporary-residence-sponsor-obligations)

This obligation starts to apply:

- if the sponsored person holds a subclass 420 visa – on the day on which a nomination by the sponsor of an occupation or activity for the primary sponsored person is approved; or
- if the sponsored person does not hold a subclass 420 visa on the day the nomination is approved in relation to a 'volunteer position' – on the day the person is granted a subclass 420 visa.

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

- on which a nomination by another sponsor in relation to the sponsored person is approved;
- 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.

## 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 AUD54,000 for a corporation and AUD10,800 for an individual for each failure; or
- issue an infringement notice of up to AUD10,800 for a body corporate and AUD2,160 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 above may be taken:

- provision of false or misleading information to the department or the Administrative Appeals 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; or
- 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 nominated occupation.

## Monitoring

If you are approved as a 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 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; and
- 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.

## How to apply

### Step 1 – How to fill in this form

The form is available as a PDF and can be filled in on screen, printed and mailed to the department or you can print a copy and use a black or blue pen, write neatly in English using BLOCK LETTERS.

If you need more space to answer questions or wish to provide additional relevant information, give details at Part K or attach a signed and dated sheet with the details.

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

Any alterations made on this application must be dated and initialled.

### Step 2 – Application fee

A prescribed application fee is required and must accompany this application. Payment of the fee does not guarantee sponsorship approval and is not refundable.

Fees may be subject to adjustment at any time.

Application fees may be subject to adjustment on 1 July each year. This may increase the cost of an application.

To check the sponsorship fee, refer to the department's website **[www.border.gov.au/trav/visa/fees](http://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, debit card, bank cheque or money order made payable to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. Debit card and credit card are the preferred methods of payment.

### Step 3 – Lodge your sponsorship application

Your application should be lodged at the correct address for this sponsorship application. The sponsorship and visa applications should be made together. More information about Temporary Work (Entertainment) visas and lodgement addresses is available from the department's website **[www.border.gov.au/trav/visa-1/420-](http://www.border.gov.au/trav/visa-1/420-)** Please read the information under 'How to become a sponsor' for the correct lodgement address for this application.

## What happens next?

It is important that you lodge the sponsorship application and fee with all the documents necessary to assess the 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 the application has been approved. If the application has not been approved, you will be given a reason for the decision as well as information about your review rights.

To nominate entertainers you should lodge both the nomination and visa application(s) together, however, the applications will not be considered until such time as you are approved as an entertainment sponsor.

With the nomination and visa application you will need to provide a copy of the *Sponsorship approval letter* you received from the department or a copy of the *Sponsorship application acknowledgement of receipt letter* if the sponsorship application has not been decided. Visas will not be granted until the entertainment sponsorship is in place and the nomination relating to the primary person is approved.

## 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](http://www.mara.gov.au)**

You can also access information about migration agents on the department's website **[www.border.gov.au](http://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/](http://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/](http://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/](http://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*

**[www.border.gov.au](http://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.

*Please keep these information pages for your reference*





# Application for approval as an entertainment sponsor

Form  
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Please use a pen, and write neatly in English using BLOCK LETTERS.

Tick where applicable ☒

## Part A – General information

- 1 Are you, or have you previously been approved as an entertainment 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 entertainment 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 ☐

Commonwealth agency ☐

Government agency or statutory authority ☐

Foreign government agency ☐

Religious institution ☐

Individual ☐ **Go to Part C**

Unincorporated body ☐ **Give details**

Other type of entity ☐


## Part B – Organisation details

- 4 Legal registered name


- 5 Trading name


- 6 Registration type

Australian Business Number (ABN)

Australian Company Number (ACN) (if applicable)

Australian Registered Body Number (ARBN) (if applicable)

Australian Stock Exchange Code (ASX Code) (if applicable)

Certificate of Incorporation (if applicable)

- 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	YEAR
/	/	

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 last financial year

AUD

►► Go to Part D

## Part C – Eligible individual details

11 **Note:** To be eligible as an individual for approval as an entertainment sponsor, you must have a valid Australian residency status.

Are you:

An Australian citizen ☐

An Australian permanent resident ☐

An eligible New Zealand citizen ☐

None of the above ☐ ► **You are not eligible as an individual for approval as an entertainment sponsor**

12 Give your details

Family name

Given names

Sex Male ☐ Female ☐

Date of birth

DAY	MONTH	YEAR
/	/	

## Part D – Address and contact details

13 Street address where the organisation/residence is located

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

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
POSTCODE

14 Postal address

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

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
POSTCODE

15 Contact person in the organisation for enquiries about this application

Family name

Given names

Position

Telephone number (AREA CODE )

Mobile/cell

16 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 details

Email address

Fax number (AREA CODE )

## 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*

- 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


*If insufficient space, give details at Part K*

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

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► Give details


*If insufficient space, give details at Part K*

- 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*

- 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*

- 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 ☐

Yes ☐ ► Give details


*If insufficient space, give details at Part K*

- 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*

## Part F – Assistance with this form

**24** Did you receive assistance in completing this form?

No ☐ ► **Go to Part G**

Yes ☐ ► Please give details of the person who assisted you

Title: Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Miss ☐ Ms ☐ Other

Family name

Given names

Address

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
POSTCODE

Telephone number or daytime contact

COUNTRY CODE	AREA CODE	NUMBER
( <input type="text"/> )	( <input type="text"/> )	<input type="text"/>

Mobile/cell

**25** Is the person an agent registered with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (Office of the MARA)?

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► **Go to Part G**

**26** Is the person/agent in Australia?

No ☐ ► **Go to Part G**

Yes ☐

**27** Did you pay the person/agent and/or give a gift for this assistance?

No ☐

Yes ☐

## Part G – Options for receiving written communications

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

Myself ☐

**OR**

Authorised recipient ☐ ► You should complete form 956A *Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient*

**OR**

Migration agent ☐ **OR** Exempt person ☐ ► 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**

Debit card or credit card are the preferred methods of payment. Debit cards cannot be used for applications lodged by mail. If paying by bank cheque or money order please make payable to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection.

Bank cheque ☐

Money order ☐

Debit card ☐ ► Cannot be used for applications lodged by mail

Credit card ☐ ► Give details below

Payment by (tick one box)

Australian Dollars

MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/>	Diners Club <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text" value="AUD"/>
American Express <input type="checkbox"/>	JCB <input type="checkbox"/>	
Visa <input type="checkbox"/>		

Credit card number

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Expiry date

MONTH	YEAR
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Cardholder's name

Telephone number


(AREA CODE) <input type="text"/>
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Address

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
POSTCODE

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

**Signature of cardholder**


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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 – organisation

<p>You <b>may</b> need to provide evidence of the organisation's financial status.</p> <p>You do not need to provide evidence of financial status of the organisation if it:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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</li> <li>• is listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX) and you have provided an ASX Code at Question 6; or</li> <li>• 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.</li> </ul> <p><b>►► If you have ticked any of these, go to Part J</b></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>
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## Financial evidence

<p>In any other instance you should provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a letter of support from a chartered accountant, CPA, CA, NIA or reputable financial institution that clearly summarises the organisation's ability to meet its financial responsibilities,</li> </ul> <p>OR</p> <p>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:</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• bank statements (for past 6 months or more)</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• balance sheets/profit and loss statements for the business relating to the most recently concluding financial year</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• relevant extracts from the business plan including cash flow projections</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• contracts</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• lease agreements</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• statements concerning the source of any funds</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

### Individual status

<p>If applying as an individual you should provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>evidence that you are an Australian citizen, an Australian permanent resident or an eligible New Zealand citizen usually resident in Australia, such as:</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>birth certificate</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>passport</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>citizenship certificate</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a letter of support from a chartered accountant, CPA, CA, NIA or reputable financial institution that clearly summarises your ability to meet financial responsibilities</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>other evidence such as:</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>bank statements (for past 6 months or more)</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>statements concerning the source of any funds</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### *Part J – Sponsorship declaration*

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

*As a representative for the organisation listed at Question 4, or as the individual named at Question 12, 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 from pages 1–3 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**



Date \_\_\_\_\_

DAY MONTH YEAR

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Full name (*block letters*)

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### Position in the organisation

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Office hours telephone

(AREA CODE )

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

### *Part K – Additional information*

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*If insufficient space, attach additional details.*