



**Application number:**  
**Client number:**

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Dear

Thank you for your application for a work to residence visa. We received your application on 16 May 2012.

**Our decision on your application**

I am pleased to tell you that we have approved your application for a work to residence visa.

**Your work to residence visa**

Your visa allows you to work in the occupation and workplace specified on the visa until 21 November 2014.

**Travel Conditions**

Your work visa includes travel conditions which allow you to re-enter New Zealand as many times as you like until 21 November 2014.

If you depart New Zealand and intend to return after 21 November 2014 you will need to apply to Immigration New Zealand for a new visa.

**Entry Permission**

Entry to New Zealand is subject to the grant of entry permission at the border.

**If you do not enter New Zealand within the initial three months of your visa**

If you do not enter New Zealand within the initial three months of your visa being granted, you will need to apply for a replacement work-to-residence visa. A replacement visa will only be considered if the circumstances which led to you not entering New Zealand are exceptional and you can demonstrate your offer of employment is still valid. Please note that in this situation you will need to submit a new application, including an application fee.

**Changing your employment**

You need to tell Immigration New Zealand if you change any of the conditions of your employment including:

- Change of occupation
- Change of employer

- Change of the location where you work.

We will need to either vary the conditions of your visa or grant you a new visa.

### **Applying for residence**

You will be able to apply for residence when you have been working in New Zealand for 2 years. You need to contact your nearest Immigration New Zealand branch about 3 months before you are eligible to apply for residence and we will send you further information about the process you need to follow.

You will need to meet certain criteria when you apply for residence including:

- having worked in New Zealand in an occupation on the Long Term Skills Shortage List for at least 2 years
- earning a base salary of at least NZ\$45,000.00.
- being aged 55 years or under
- meeting standard health and character checks (you will need to supply updated police and medical certificates with your residence application).

### **What happens if your circumstances change?**

You must tell us about any changes to your circumstances that may affect your application for a visa, including:

- changes to the personal or family circumstances of any person included in the application
- changes to your address or contact details (including postal address, email address, and telephone number).
- changes to your business or employment
- changes to your study if you are applying for a student visa

If you do not tell us about changes to your circumstances, we may refuse to grant a visa or you may become liable for deportation. While you are in New Zealand, you must make sure you hold a valid visa at all times.

### **Liability for deportation and appeal rights**

You must hold a valid visa at all times and depart New Zealand before it expires. If you remain after it expires you will be in New Zealand unlawfully; you will then be liable for deportation. If you are deported from New Zealand, you will be unable to return until the end of any prohibition period and have paid any costs of your deportation. If you are in New Zealand unlawfully and depart voluntarily you may still be deemed to be deported, but you will not be subject to any prohibition period.

If you wish to appeal against your liability for deportation, you may do so on humanitarian grounds no later than 42 days after first being in New Zealand unlawfully. Further information on how to appeal to the Immigration and Protection Tribunal is available on its website: [www.justice.govt.nz/tribunals/ipt](http://www.justice.govt.nz/tribunals/ipt)

### **Your documents**

We are returning your passport and all original documents with this letter.

Make sure you keep your documents and this letter in a safe place for future reference.

**Contact us**

If you have any questions, you can:

- call our Immigration Contact Centre on 0508 55 88 55 or 09 914 4100.
- find answers to frequently asked questions or lodge an email enquiry online at [www.immigration.govt.nz/help](http://www.immigration.govt.nz/help)

You will need to tell us your application and client numbers (see the top of this letter). Please be ready to quote them when you phone.

Yours sincerely



Taleen Kassabian  
Immigration Officer  
Immigration New Zealand