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## **Migration (English Language Requirements for Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) Visa— Pacific Engagement Stream) Instrument 2025**

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I, Tony Burke, Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs, make the following instrument.

Dated 25 February 2025

Tony Burke  
Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs

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## 1 Name

This instrument is the *Migration (English Language Requirements for Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) Visa—Pacific Engagement Stream) Instrument 2025*

## 2 Commencement

This instrument commences on 1 May 2025.

## 3 Authority

This instrument is made under clause 192.223 of Schedule 2 to the Migration Regulations.

## 4 Definitions

In this instrument:

***Migration Regulations*** means the *Migration Regulations 1994*.

***Pacific Engagement stream visa*** means a Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) visa in the Pacific Engagement stream as set out in Subdivision 192.22 of Schedule 2 to the Migration Regulations.

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Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

## 6 English language test requirements for Pacific Engagement stream visa

- (1) For the purposes of clause 192.223 of Schedule 2 to the Migration Regulations, the following English language test requirements are specified:
  - (a) the applicant, or (if the applicant's spouse or de facto partner has made a combined application for a visa with the applicant) the applicant's spouse or de facto partner, must undertake an English language test mentioned in subsection (2); and
  - (b) the applicant, or (if the applicant's spouse or de facto partner has made a combined application for a visa with the applicant) the applicant's spouse or de facto partner, must achieve the test scores specified in Column 2 of an item in the table under subsection (3), in relation to the test undertaken; and
  - (c) the test required under paragraph (1)(a) was undertaken within:
    - (i) if evidence of the test is provided at the time the applicant makes an application for a Pacific Engagement stream visa—3 years immediately before the day of the visa application; or

- (ii) if evidence of the test is not provided at the time the visa application is made—3 years immediately before the day on which a decision to grant or refuse grant of the visa is made.
- (2) For the purpose of paragraph (1)(a), the English language tests are:
- the Cambridge English: Advanced test (the **CAE**);
  - the International English Language Testing System (the **IELTS**);
  - the Occupational English Test (the **OET**);
  - the Pearson Test of English Academic (the **PTE**);
  - the Test of English as a Foreign Language internet-based Test (the **TOEFL iBT**), if the test was undertaken on or before 25 July 2023.
- (3) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(b), the test scores for an English language test required under paragraph (1)(a) are specified in Column 2 of an item in the following table in relation to the test mentioned in Column 1 of that item.

<b>English language test scores</b>		
<b>Item</b>	<b>Column 1: English language tests</b>	<b>Column 2: Test scores</b>
1	the CAE	for each of the listening and speaking components of the CAE—a score of at least 154.
2	the IELTS	for each of the listening and speaking test components of the IELTS—a score of at least 5.0.
3	the OET	for each of the listening and speaking test components of the OET—a score of at least B.
4	the PTE	for each of the listening and speaking components of the PTE—a score of at least 36.
5	the TOEFL iBT	(a) for the listening component of the TOEFL iBT—a score of at least 4; and (b) for the speaking component of the TOEFL—a score of at least 14.

Note: Minimum test scores are not required unless set out in the table above. This means there is no minimum test score required for reading and writing components. A minimum overall test score is also not required.

## 7 Application and transitional provisions

- This instrument applies in relation to an application for a Pacific Engagement stream visa made on or after 1 May 2025, if the application relates to a selected participant for a visa pre-application process conducted on or after 1 May 2025 in relation to a Pacific Engagement stream visa.
- Despite the repeal of the *Migration (English Language Requirements for Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) Visa) Instrument (LIN 24/023) 2024*

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(LIN 24/023) by Schedule 1 to this instrument, LIN 24/023 continues to apply in relation to an application for a Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) visa if the application relates to a selected participant for a visa pre-application process conducted before 1 May 2025 in relation to a Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) visa.

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## **Schedule 1—Repeals**

### ***Migration (English Language Requirements for Subclass 192 (Pacific Engagement) Visa) Instrument (LIN 24/023) 2024***

#### **1 The whole of the instrument**

Repeal the instrument.

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