STARTING FROM AUG & OCT 2025 Labour Migration Policy





MONITORING TERMINATION RATES

Monitoring will begin, with notifications sent to applicants if thresholds are exceeded. No sanctions initially, but a gradual market alignment will start, reducing thresholds by 5% every three months until July 2026.

NEW FEE STRUCTURES

Updated fees will come into effect on 1 August 2025.

VACANCY AD REQUIREMENTS

Employers must provide evidence of a two- or three-week advertisement period on suitable media. From October, advertising on the Jobsplus/EURES portal becomes mandatory.

REDUNDANCY PROCESSES

Full redundancy procedures will be implemented from 1 August 2025.

PROMPT SUBMISSION OF ENGAGEMENT & TERMINATION FORMS

Employers will be notified if forms are submitted late, with gradual regularisation processes.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE PERSONS WITH DISABILITY (EMPLOYMENT) ACT (CAP 210)

EXTENSION OF GRACE PERIOD FOR TCNS POST-EMPLOYMENT

The extended grace period will be fully implemented from 1 August 2025.

NEW SALARY BENCHMARKS FOR KEI & SEI

New salary standards will be introduced on 1 August 2025.

RESTRICTIONS ON SINGLE PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Non-work visa holders will face application restrictions starting 1 August 2025.

RENEWAL VERIFICATION CHECKS

Checks will be introduced for visa renewals from 1 August 2025.

WORKFORCE APPLICATION LIMITS

Limits on applications will be enforced from 1 August 2025.

Employers must comply fully by 1 August 2025. Sanctions apply thereafter, and applications for TCN workers will be suspended if non-compliant.

SUPPORT FOR PARTNERS & FAMILIES

Measures to assist partners and families of workers will be introduced on 1 August 2025.



SALARY PAYMENT METHOD FOR NEWLY ENGAGED TCNS

Employers will be required to specify salary payment methods from 1 October 2025.

INTERIM PERMITS FOR TCNS FROM

ONGOING INITIATIVES

LABOUR MARKET ASSESSMENTS

Continual evaluation of labour shortages and surpluses.

UPSKILLING & INTEGRATION

Ongoing training schemes to improve workforce skills,

including new initiatives.

SKILLS CARDS

VISA WAIVER COUNTRIES

Implementation begins on 1 October 2025.

VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Specific measures will be introduced following necessary legal amendments, starting 1 October 2025.



STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

Finalisation and announcement of new collaborations.

HIGH-RISK COUNTRY LIST

Regular updates to reflect current risks.





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