



## NEW BRUNSWICK NOMINEE PROGRAM

### OVERVIEW

This program was designed to allow provinces an active role in selecting immigrants to meet specific economic needs. Under the Provincial Nominee Program, the province seeks immigrants with job skills and other attributes who will come to New Brunswick to fill labor market shortages or support employment or business expansion.

To be considered under the Provincial Nominee Program, you must have a business plan approved by a New Brunswick official of the Population Growth Secretariat. An application will be considered only when one of those requirements is met.

You are expected to make a significant economic contribution to New Brunswick, in terms of investment, transfer of knowledge and personal commitment to business excellence. To be considered for immigration under this category, you must meet the following conditions:

- Have previous management experience with proven success as a senior executive and/or a business owner
- Have the business skills relevant to the business they intend to pursue in New Brunswick
- Have sufficient funds to finance the first phase of the planned business venture and provide for the family settlement and cost of living for up to two years without third party assistance (the actual amount will depend on the specific business venture proposed)
- Make at least one exploratory visit to New Brunswick of no less than 5 business days to develop the business plan and meet with provincial officials to discuss the plan
- Make a commitment to reside and do business in New Brunswick
- Control a percentage of equity of a qualifying business equal to or greater than 33.33 % and actively participate in a bona fide senior managerial role in the New Brunswick business venture
- Demonstrate a working knowledge of English or French (language skills will be assessed during the interview)

We would like to thank you for choosing Canada 2000 to undergo your application process for NBNP application. We have prepared this document in order to familiarize you with the steps and documents required for processing your application.

Your business plan must be approved by a New Brunswick official as deemed to be of economic benefit to the province. Greater consideration will be given to you if your business plan creates new employment for Canadians other than your family. Under the New Brunswick Provincial Nominee Program, you may start a business, purchase an existing business or enter into a partnership with a New Brunswick entrepreneur.

You must make a commitment to reside in New Brunswick with your dependent family members and to work or operate a business in New Brunswick and assume an active role in that business.

In addition to an approved plan to do business in New Brunswick, you must demonstrate a range of experience and adaptability indicating your potential to adapt to changing market needs and opportunities. This will be measured under five factors: age, language skills, education, business experience and adaptability. A **minimum score of 50 points** is necessary for consideration under the New Brunswick Provincial Nominee Program.

**Note:** The minimum score is subject to change anytime. Please visit the New Brunswick website for updates or call our office.

Please note that there will be a higher possibility for approval if your total net worth is higher than \$300,000 CAD.

### POINT TO REMEMBER:

Do not quit your job or sell or dispose of your personal possessions and business assets until you have official confirmation from Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) that you will receive a permanent resident visa.

### *Program Condition*

If you have been nominated under the Nominee Program you are fully expected to reside, work and conduct business in New Brunswick and become a permanent resident of this province. Any failure to comply with this Nominee Program requirement will be considered a breach of contract and a serious misrepresentation of facts in the application process. It is an offence under the

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Immigration and Refugee Protection Act to knowingly make a false or misleading statement in support of an

application for permanent residence in Canada. Doing so can result in a two-year ban from entering Canada.

## PROCESSING TIME

How much time does it take to process a Provincial Nominee's application?

Preliminary business evaluations (Business applicants only)	5-6 weeks
Lead time for exploratory visits (Business applicants only)	10-12 weeks
Permanent immigration application processing (Provincial)	1-4 months
Permanent immigration application processing (Federal)	Approx. 9-12 months time varies by visa post

How long does it take for Citizenship and Immigration Canada to process a Provincial Nominee Candidate?

Your assessment by Citizenship and Immigration Canada includes, but is not limited to, criminal, security and health checks. The processing time may vary on the country of origin where the file is being processed.

Certain things can delay processing of your application:

- Missing fees
- A medical condition which may require additional tests,
- Involvement in criminal activity
- Family situations such as divorce, custody or maintenance issues, or failure to notify the visa office of a change of address

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If you move or change your address, telephone number or any other contact information after you submit your application, you must contact us in order to contact the visa office where we submitted your application.

## TRANSLATION

All documents written in a language other than French or English must be accompanied, upon submission of the application, with a certified translation of these documents into either of these two languages.



## REASONS OF REFUSAL FOR YOUR APPLICATION

Upon the initial review of the application, the immigration officer may decide that the documents submitted do not establish the level of qualifications required by Canadian Immigration. An example of this would be if the applicant failed to submit any documents to support the information provided on the application form. For example, should an applicant claim an education level of a Master's Degree, but fail to submit their degree and transcripts, the immigration officer will not award the points for the Master's Degree.

Applicants can be refused at anytime during the process of the application, for any of the following reasons:

- Proof of language skills
- Criminal issues (have a criminal record in any country)
- Security (failed background checks)
- Medical (failed medical exam)
- Financial reasons (have less than the minimum settlement funds)
- Misrepresentation (failed to be truthful during the application or omitted information)
- Non-compliance (failed to provide any requested information/documents the immigration officer requested or failed to attend a Personal Selection Interview)
- Inadmissible family members (the above reasons for any family member indicated as a dependent on the application form)

New Brunswick will select the applicants who best meet the qualifications and objectives of the New Brunswick Provincial Nominee Program. Decisions on applications are final. There is no appeal process; however, applicants can apply again two years from the date of their first application if their situation changes substantively or if they have new information to submit. Applicants also have the option to apply to Federal programs with New Brunswick as their destination.

A nomination certificate issued by the Province of New Brunswick does not guarantee the issuance of a Permanent Resident Visa by Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC). Final approval of an applicant, based on the individual's health and security background check, is the sole responsibility of Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

## DOCUMENTS NEEDED

This section points out the first initial documents needed in order to start your application process. Please ensure

that all documents are completed to ensure that we are able to complete your initial process with no delay.

## INITIAL DOCUMENTS (TO BE PREPARED BY OUR LOCAL OFFICE)

- ✓ Client agreement
- ✓ Questionnaire (to be prepared by client and our local office)
- ✓ Assessment print out from the processing System (to be provided by our local office)
- ✓ Print out of any email correspondence with client (to be provided by our local office)
- ✓ Passport copies (with valid residence visa page, if applicable)
  - Principal applicant
  - Spouse & Children (if applicable)
- ✓ Detailed Curriculum Vitae
  - Name
  - Nationality
  - Address (residential and mailing) & Telephone numbers & Email address
  - Positions held including duties and responsibilities
- ✓ Proof of funds
  - Updated 6 months bank statement for all account (current, saving, investment, etc)
  - Letter from the bank stating the initial date of opening account(s)
  - Investment (if applicable)
  - Proof of ownership of stock or bonds, pension fund, security deposit, insurance (if applicable)
  - Property title and valuation and notice of outstanding mortgage. The valuation for the market value must be done by a specialized firm accompanied by a copy of the firm's license authorizing this firm to conduct professional valuations
- ✓ Letters of reference of the employers should describe the position, the duties related to the position and the salary and/or contracts of employment; letters of appointment. The contact information and nature of the business during the term of employment. Your duties and responsibilities and your income (broken down by salary, benefits, commissions and bonuses) with, if applicable, an explanation of the basis for calculating commissions and bonuses.
  - Principal applicant (if applicable)



- ✓ Business registration / license issued by the local government confirming the registration of the business (if a business owner)
- ✓ Organizational chart of your company (if a business owner)
- ✓ Financial statements for the 3 most recent years of the business, prepared by a firm of chartered accountants, including the statement of profit and loss (if you own the business)
- ✓ If an employee, a letter of employer stating that company is profitable and still conducting business.
- ✓ Notice of assessment in respect of the corporate income tax returns for the 3 most recent years (if business owner).
- ✓ List of shareholders (if applicable and if a business owner)
- ✓ Articles of incorporation or articles of association (if a business owner)
- ✓ Photographs of business facilities, e.g. plant, office building, offices, etc., taken during regular business hours (if a business owner)
- ✓ Proof of your liabilities such as bank loans, accounts payable, taxes due, mortgage (if applicable)

#### TEMPORARY RESIDENT VISA DOCUMENTS

- ✓ 2 Passport size photos (as per requirements)
  - Principal Applicant
- ✓ Updated 6 months bank statement
- ✓ Military certificate or documents (if applicable)
- ✓ Business Registration / License issued by the local government confirming the registration of the business (if a business owner)
- ✓ Letters of reference of the employers should describe the position, the duties related to the position and the salary and/or contracts of employment; letters of appointment. The contact information and nature of the business during the term of employment. Your duties and responsibilities and your income (broken down

by salary, benefits, commissions and bonuses) with, if applicable, an explanation of the basis for calculating commissions and bonuses.

- Principal applicant (if applicable)
- ✓ TRV fees
- ✓ Original passport

#### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- ✓ Birth certificates (certified copy or notarized)
  - Principal applicant
  - Spouse & Children (if applicable)
- ✓ Marriage certificate (certified copy or notarized)
  - If applicable
- ✓ Education documents (Diploma, marks sheet & transcript - certified copy or notarized)
  - Principal applicant
  - Spouse & Children (if applicable)
- ✓ Divorce/Custody documents (if applicable (certified copy or notarized))
- ✓ 8 Passport size photos (as per requirements)
  - Principal applicant
  - Spouse & Children (if applicable)
- ✓ Relatives in Canada
  - Name of relative and relationship
  - Birth and marriage certificates
  - Canadian passport, citizenship card or permanent resident card
- ✓ Military certificate or documents (if applicable)
- ✓ Police certificate for all the countries you lived in for more than six months. (You will be notified when to obtain this certificate)
  - Principal applicant
  - Spouse and children above the age 18 (if applicable)

*Please note that the visa office or Canada 2000 might request additional documents that we have not mentioned on the list depending on each client case.*

