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From
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To: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Subject: RE: IEC WPs regulation change - no job offer points for EE PR? - REP-2025-0062- Due 5-Feb-25
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Hello,

I am following up on the below.

Thank you!

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Sent: [redacted] 6, 2025 7:50 PM
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Hello,

[redacted] response provided.

You mentioned that a candidate with an employer-specific IEC work permit would still be eligible for the 50 job offer points if the work permit was issued before the changes to the regulation on Dec 18 2024. You also mentioned that "Our systems and web content are in the process of being updated" to reflect this information.

As it has been a couple of weeks, I have been reviewing the website and policy pages and have not been able to find any updated information on this. Would you be able to direct me to the updated web content?

Thank you,

From: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC) <IRCC.ImmigrationRepresentatives-Representantsimmigration.IRCC@cic[redacted]
Sent: [redacted] 24, 2025 10:41 AM
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Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC[redacted]
Representantsimmigration.IRCC[redacted]
Subject: TR: IEC WPs regulation change - no job offer points for EE PR? - REP-2025-0062- Due 5-Feb-25

Good day,

[redacted] **Immigration Representatives Mailbox**

Please note that this mailbox is intended for general guidance and does not provide responses to case-specific inquiries but have provided the following information as guidance. If you have case specific questions about a file,

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you are encouraged to submit the IRCC Web form.

Please see our response to your question.

Question:

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https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/corporate/publications-manuals/operational-bulletins-manuals/updates/2024-iec-regulation-changes.html

For a qualifying offer of arranged employment, the foreign national must hold a work permit under R204(a), R204(c) or R205. With IEC work permits now being issued under R204(d), they are not captured by the Ministerial Instructions for arranged employment points.

The Gazette does not make any reference to the impact on Express Entry in making this change to the regs:

https://canadagazetteducanada.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2024/2024-03-09/html/reg1-eng.html

Is the above analysis correct? Are individuals on IEC work permits no longer eligible to receive arranged employment points?

Answer:

Per Section 29(2)(a)(iii) of the Ministerial Instructions respecting the Express Entry system, for a job offer to qualify for Comprehensive Ranking System (CRS) points, the applicant must hold a valid work permit *issued under the circumstances* described in paragraph 204(a) or (c) or section 205 of the Regulations (in addition to all other requirements).

The International Experience Canada (IEC)'s authority to issue work permits transitioned from paragraph 205(b) to paragraph 204(d) of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Regulations on **December 18, 2024.**

Subparagraph 29(2)(a)(iii) continues to apply to a job offer for a candidate who holds an IEC work permit issued prior to December 18, 2024 and meets all other requirements, but not for those on an IEC work permit issued on or after that day. Our systems and web content are in the process of being updated.

Please be advised that the assessment of an application is based on a case-by-case basis; each application will be considered on its own merits, with a final decision based on a review of all the information available to the officer at the time of decision. The onus is always on the applicant to provide sufficient documentation to satisfy an officer that they meet the requirements.

We trust that this information will assist you.

Sincerely,

The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

De :
Envoyé : 8 janvier 2025 16:58
[redacted]**:** Immigration Representatives [redacted] Représentants immigration (IRCC) [redacted]
Representantsimmigration.IRCC[redacted]ca>
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