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From: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Sent: Fri, 28 Mar 2025 18:35:12
To:
Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
Subject: TR: Multiple applcaitions - REP-2025-0512 - Due 13-03-2025
Importance: Normal
Sensitivity: None

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, you are encouraged to submit the IRCC Web form.

Please see our response to your question:

Question:

If an applicant has applied for an open work permit extension before their current permit expires, they are on implied status and can continue working under the same conditions until a decision is made. If they then apply for a second work permit while on implied status—this time for a closed work permit based on a positive LMIA— or apply for a change in work permit conditions inside Canada or need to apply new work permit as outland candidate?

\sb240Response:

Yes, you are correct. If an applicant applies for an open work permit extension in Canada before the work permit expires, they are on maintained status, and they can keep working under the same permit until a decision is made.
However, if the applicant applies for a closed work permit (employer-specific work permits), they can't start working at a different job or for a new employer until they get the new work permit with the new conditions.

Please refer to Extend or change the conditions on your work permit: What to do if your work permit expires or is expiring - Canada.ca

If you applied for another work permit

If you applied to change either your employer, your job or your work location, and then your current permit expires, you have

- maintained your status
- authorization to work without a permit until we make a decision
    - However, you must keep working for the **employer named on your original work permit** until we make a decision on your application.

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You can't start working under the conditions of your **new** work permit until we process your application.

Please for more information, visit the following webpage:

- I applied for a new work permit. Can I stay in Canada if my work permit expires?
- Can I hold 2 valid work permits at the same time? (canada.ca)

We hope this information is of assistance.

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The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

From:
Sent: [redacted] 12, 2025 2:23 PM
To: Immigration Representatives | Représentants immigration [redacted]
[redacted]C[redacted]gc.ca>
Subject: Multiple applcaitions

Hi there,

Question 1:If an applicant has applied for an open work permit extension before their current permit expires, they are on implied status and can continue working under the same conditions until a decision is made. If they then apply for a second work permit while on implied status—this time for a closed work permit based on a positive LMIA— or apply for a change in work permit conditions inside Canada or need to apply new work permit as outland candidate?

Thanks,