

PEI PNP – Express Entry Frequently Asked Questions

How does the PEI PNP Express Entry stream differ from other PEI PNP streams?

Different streams have different requirements to attract different types of applicants. You may be eligible for more than one stream, but PEI will only issue one nomination per applicant, so you must decide which stream best fits your situation.

Can I include anyone else on my Express Entry application?

You may include yourself, your spouse, and any dependent children (i.e. under 19 years of age). You may not include any other family members, such as siblings, parents, or grandparents.

I have an application in process for a non-Express Entry stream. Can I switch to an Express Entry stream?

If you are eligible for more than one stream, you should decide prior to applying which stream you would prefer to apply to. Our office may be able to allow you to switch streams prior to nomination. If you have already been nominated through one stream you may not switch streams.

I don't qualify for Express Entry. How can I get nominated?

If you do not qualify for the Express Entry pool, then you cannot get a nomination through the PEI Express Entry stream. You may be eligible for one of our other Provincial Nominee Programs.

How can I check the status of my PEI Express Entry application?

Enquiries made within 60 calendar days of the submission of the application to the Office of Immigration will not be answered. After 60 days, submit enquiries to expressentry@gov.pe.ca. Be sure to include your file number in the subject line of the e-mail. If you do not have a file number, you do not have an application in process.

My work permit is expiring soon, what can I do?

You are responsible for ensuring you maintain legal status in Canada. You cannot rely on the Express Entry stream to help extend a work permit that is about to expire. If you are currently working in PEI, you may be eligible for a nomination through one of our other streams, in which case we could write an employer-specific letter of support for a work permit extension.

If you have reached the stage of applying for permanent residency through the Express Entry stream and your work permit is about to expire, you can apply for a Bridging Open Work Permit - note: this is a Federal application process.

I am currently working in PEI, does this make me eligible?

Priority will be given to applicants who are currently working in Prince Edward Island in a position that matches their education and/or work experience and applicant's length of time in the Province.

If you have any additional questions, forward them to expressentry@gov.pe.ca. Note questions will not be answered on the phone or in person, unless an appointment has been made through email.

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