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**Information on Canada's Open Work Permit**

The public is hereby informed that candidates for Canada's open work permit, under the International Mobility Program are **not processed by the POEA**, either through private recruitment or government-to-government pathway.

An open work permit in Canada can be issued to a foreign national only under one of the Labour Market Impact Assessment (LMIA) exemptions such as:

- Spouses or common-law partners of skilled workers eligible under paragraph R205(c) (exemption code C41);
- Spouses or common-law partners of foreign students eligible under paragraph R205(c) (exemption code C42);
- Bridging open work permits (exemption code A75);
- Open work permit pilot program for permanent residence applicants in the spouse or common-law partner in Canada class (A70)

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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Source:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/corporate/publications-manuals/operational-bulletins-manuals/temporary-residents/foreign-workers/eligibility/open.html>

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