

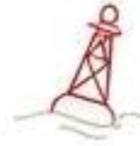
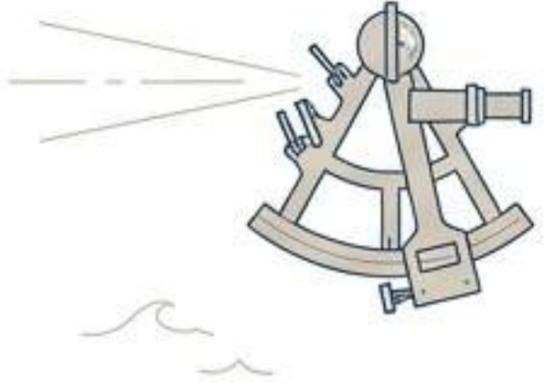
Your Pathway to the Coast: The Canadian Atlantic Immigration Program (AIP)

A comprehensive guide to settling in Canada's Atlantic provinces without an LMIA.

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A Federal Pathway for the East Coast



The AIP is a partnership between the federal government and the four Atlantic provinces, designed to recruit skilled workers and international graduates to meet local labor needs.



Key Differentiator:

Unlike Express Entry, this program bypasses competitive point systems, focusing instead on meeting specific employer needs.



Why Choose the Atlantic Immigration Program?



No LMIA Required

Employers do not need to prove they couldn't hire a Canadian, saving months of processing.



Accessible Standards

Lower language (CLB 4/5) and education barriers compared to other federal streams.



Settlement Focused

A unique requirement ensures you have a personalized plan for integrating into the community.



Speed

Faster than paper-based Provincial Nominee Programs (PNP).



The Golden Rule: This is an 'Employer-Driven' Program

You cannot apply on your own. You must be hired by a Designated Employer authorized by their provincial government.



General Employer
Cannot support AIP applications.



Designated Employer
Authorized to hire foreign talent permanently.

Key Insight: Being hired by a Designated Employer allows for immediate PR application and potentially an **AIP Work Permit** to start working while processing.



Candidate Eligibility: Work Experience

The Metric

1,560 Hours
(Approximately 1 Year)

Accumulated paid work experience in the last 5 years.



TEER Levels



Experience must fall within TEER 0, 1, 2, 3, or 4.

*Note: TEER 4 includes roles like home support workers and truck drivers.

Atlantic International Graduate Exemption



International Graduates from recognized Atlantic post-secondary institutions are exempt from the work experience requirement.

Meeting the Education and Language Bar

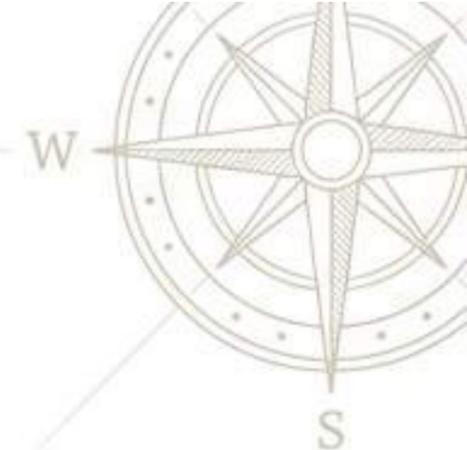
Requirements vary based on the skill level (TEER) of your job offer.

TEER 0 & 1 (Management/Professional)	TEER 2, 3 & 4 (Technical/Intermediate/Support)
 Minimum 1-year post-secondary credential (verified by ECA).	 Minimum High School Diploma (verified by ECA).
 Minimum CLB 5.	 CLB 5 (for TEER 2/3) / CLB 4 (for TEER 4).

Context: These language scores are significantly lower than typical Express Entry requirements.



Anatomy of a Valid Job Offer



Duration Rules

- **TEER 0, 1, 2, 3:** Must last at least 1 year from the time you become a PR.
- **TEER 4:** Must be permanent (indeterminate/no end date).



The 5-Step Roadmap to Permanent Residence

1. Secure Job

Obtain offer from a Designated Employer.



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2. Settlement Plan

Work with a Service Provider Organization.

3. Provincial Endorsement

Employer submits plan; Province issues Certificate.



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4. PR Application

Apply via IRCC Portal with endorsement.



5. Work Permit

(Optional) Apply for a 1-year permit to work

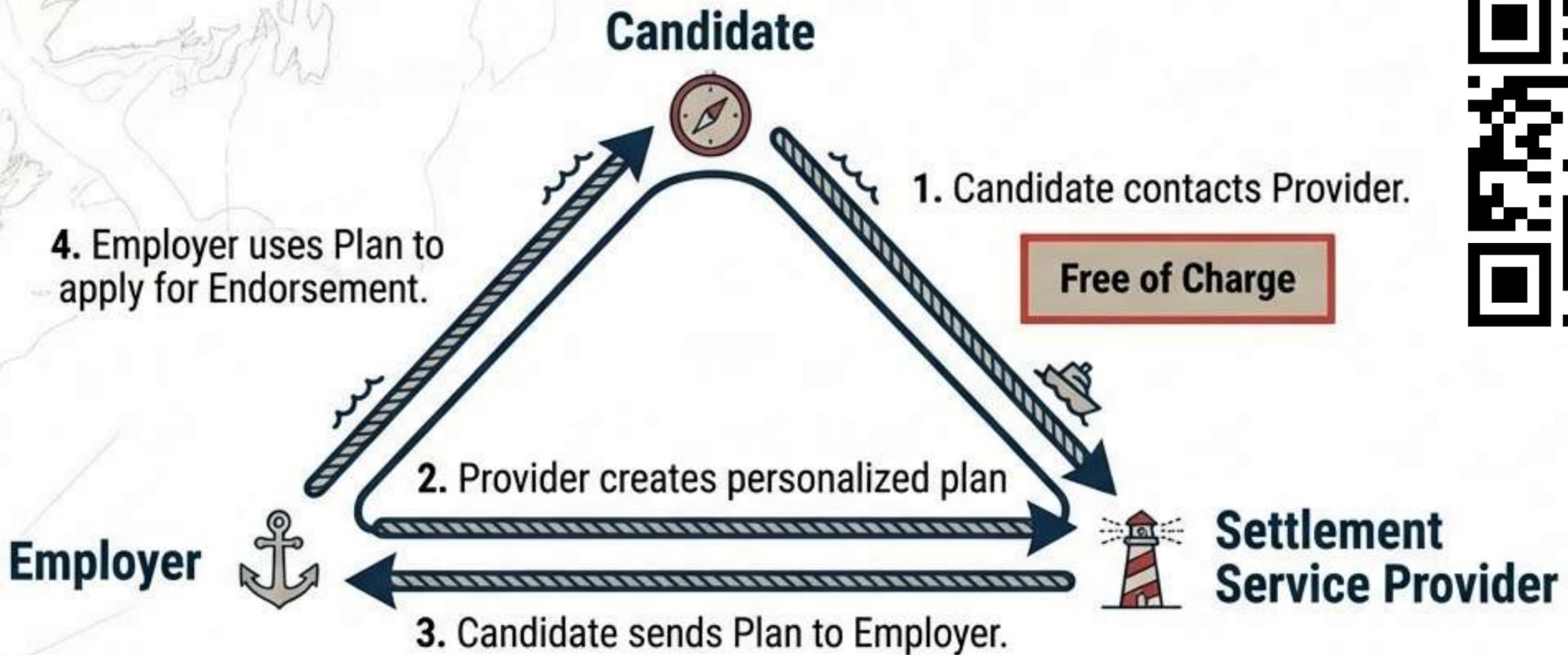
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The Settlement Plan Requirement

A mandatory step where a designated Settlement Service Provider Organization assesses your family's needs.



Why it matters: Your employer cannot apply for the Provincial Endorsement without this document.



Budgeting Your Move: Costs & Timelines (2026 Estimates)

The Investment

- ✓ • Processing Fee (per adult): \$950 CAD
- ✓ • Right of Permanent Residence Fee (per adult): \$575 CAD
- ✓ • Biometrics Fee: \$85 CAD
- ✓ • Employer Endorsement Fee: \$0



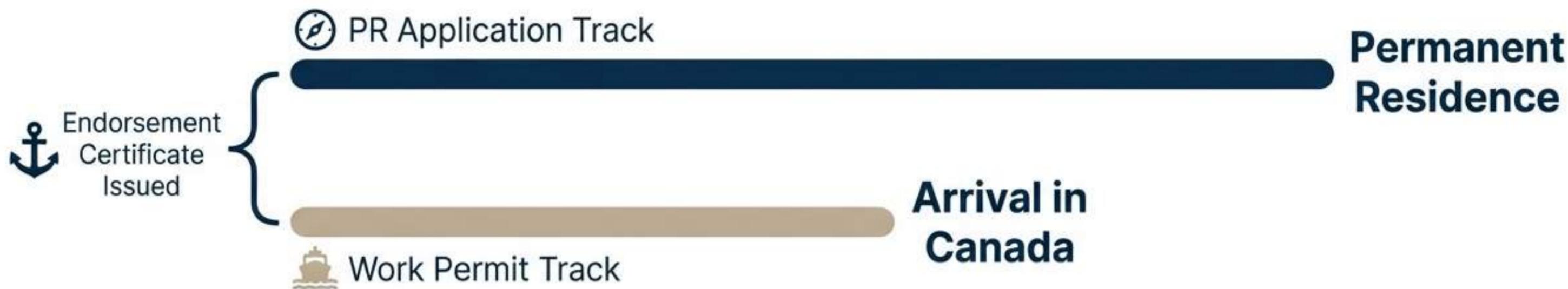
- ✓ • Proof of Funds (Single Person):
~\$3,400 CAD

The Time



Estimated processing time for the PR application after endorsement.

The AIP Work Permit: Start Working Sooner



Once you have your Endorsement, you can apply for a **1-year** employer-specific work permit. This allows you to settle and work while the PR decision is processing.



Critical Risks and Red Flags



Buying a Job

Legitimate employers do not charge you to be hired. Paying for a job offer is Misrepresentation and leads to a 5-year ban.



Employer De-Designation

If an employer loses their status due to fraud or labor violations during processing, your application will be cancelled.



Intent to Reside

You must genuinely intend to live in the Atlantic province. Using AIP as a 'backdoor' to move immediately to Toronto can result in refusal.



Frequently Asked Questions



Q: "Where can I find Designated Employers?"

A: Each provincial government publishes an official list/registry on their immigration website.

Q: "Can my family come?"

A: Yes. Spouses and dependent children are included. Spouses may be eligible for Open Work Permits (TEER 0-3).

Q: "Can I move to another province later?"

A: PR grants mobility rights, but you must intend to reside in the Atlantic province at the time of application. Moving immediately after landing risks PR status.



Why Navigate the AIP with Dara Immigration Services?

- ✓ **Endorsement Expertise**
We guide you through the specific paperwork required between you, the Service Provider, and the Employer.
- ✓ **Community Focus**
Deep understanding of the Atlantic region's specific labor needs.
- ✓ **Risk Mitigation**
We ensure your documentation prevents delays caused by missing Settlement Plans or expired Endorsements.



Begin Your Atlantic Journey

1. Secure a designated job offer.
2. Complete your settlement plan.
3. Achieve Permanent Residence.



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