Employers apply for ONE of these accreditation types:
- Standard accreditation (up to 5 AEWV holders) OR
- High volume accreditation (6 or more AEWV holders) OR
- Franchisee accreditation (no limit on number of AEWV holders) OR
- Employers placing AEWV holders with controlling third parties (no limit on number of AEWV holders)

Employer accreditation
We estimate 10 working days to process standard and high-volume applications.

Job check
We estimate 10 working days to process job check applications from accredited employers.

- Advertised nationally for 2 weeks
- No New Zealand workers available
- Provide evidence about the job
- Pays at least the median wage and the market rate (unless exempt)
- Minimum guaranteed hours a week
- Complies with New Zealand laws and standards

Job check approved

Visa application
We estimate 20 working days to process migrant work visas.

- Identity check
- Character check
- Health check
- Relevant qualifications and experience required for the role, as specified in the job check
- Employment offer that matches the approved job check

Accredited employer requests migrant worker to apply for an AEWV

Applicable for Green List roles (e.g. nurses)

For more information, visit immigration.govt.nz/accredited-employer

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Employer accreditation granted

All requirements met and AEWV issued