## EMPLOYMENT PASS RECLASSIFICATION (CATEGORY I, II AND III)

1<sup>st</sup> April 2017

Please be informed that effective **1**<sup>st</sup> **September 2017**, the Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA) will implement re-classification of Employment Pass (Category I, II and III) as follows:

| Employment<br>Pass Type            | Salary                |                         | Contract                               |  | n Dependents   |                |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--|--|----------------|----------------|
|                                    | Before                | After                   | Before                                 | After                                  | Before         | After          |
| Category I<br>Expatriate           | RM5,000               | RM10,000                | min 2 years                            | Up to 5 years                          | Allowed        | Allowed        |
| Category II<br>Expatriate          | RM5,000               | RM 5,000 to<br>RM 9,999 | Less than 2<br>years                   | Up to 2 years                          | Allowed        | Allowed        |
| Category III<br>*Knowledge/skilled | RM2,500 to<br>RM4,999 | RM 3,000 to<br>RM 4,999 | <=12 months<br>(maximum<br>2x renewal) | <=12 months<br>(maximum<br>2x renewal) | Not<br>Allowed | Not<br>Allowed |

<sup>\*</sup> Please note that final decisions on approval for all Employment Pass applications Category I, II and III will continue to be at the discretion of the Immigration Department of Malaysia.

There are several Agencies that are responsible for approving and supporting expatriate posts in the relevant sectors. Companies are facilitated according to their respective industry sectors:

- a) Companies that are regulated by an Approving Agency need to submit an approval letter from the relevant Agency for each Employment Pass application (Category I, II and III).
- b) Companies in sectors under the purview of a specific Regulatory Body are required to submit a supporting letter from the relevant Body for each Employment Pass application (Category I, II and III).

For a list of Approving and Supporting Agencies, kindly refer to Annex A.

Please refer to the ESD website from time to time for the latest announcements and updates. For any enquiries, you may also contact our Helpdesk at 03-8892 3939 or email us at MYXpats@talentcorp.com.my.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

**MYXpats Centre** 

## LIST OF APPROVING AGENCIES AND REGULATORY SECTORS

| APPROVING AGENCIES                                   | REGULATORY SECTORS  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| 1. Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA)                   | 1. Ministry of Education (MOE)  |  |  |
| Malaysia Investment Development     Authority (MIDA) | 2. Ministry of Health (MOH)   |  |  |
| 3. Multimedia Development  Corporation (MDEC)        | <ol><li>Ministry of Tourism and Culture<br/>Tourism (MOTAC)</li></ol> |  |  |
| 4. Central Bank of Malaysia (BNM)                    | 4. Ministry of Youth and Sports (KBS)                                 |  |  |
| 5. Securities Commission (SC)                        | 5. National Sports Council (MSN)                                      |  |  |
| 6. Iskandar Regional Development Authority (IRDA)    | 6. Ministry of Agriculture (MOA)                                      |  |  |
| 7. East Coast Economic Region                        | 7. Malaysian Bioeconomy   |  |  |
| Development Council (ECERDC)                         | Development Corporation (Bioeconomy)                                  |  |  |
| 8. Talent Corporation Malaysia Berhad (TalentCorp)   | 8. Department of Civil Aviation (DCA)                                 |  |  |
| 9. Malaysian Global Innovation &                     | 9. Department of Mineral and  |  |  |
| Creativity Centre (MaGIC)                            | Geoscience, Ministry of Natural                                       |  |  |
|  | Mining (JMG)  |  |  |
| 10. Public Service Department Malaysia               | 10. Unit PUSPAL, Ministry of  |  |  |
| (JPA)  | Communications and Multimedia   |  |  |
|  | (MCMC)  |  |  |
| 11. Expatriate Committee (EC)                        | 11. Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB)                    |  |  |

## Note:

For companies under unregulated sectors (e.g. Business Services and Oil & Gas), the Expatriate Committee may request a supporting letter from the relevant authority when necessary