

# Important changes to Tier 2 immigration rules

```
[et_pb_section admin_label="Section" global_module="136"
fullwidth="on" specialty="off" transparent_background="off"
background_color="#ffffff" allow_player_pause="off"
inner_shadow="off" parallax="off" parallax_method="off"
padding_mobile="off" make_fullwidth="off"
use_custom_width="off" width_unit="on" make_equal="off"
use_custom_gutter="off"] [et_pb_fullwidth_code
global_parent="136" admin_label="Post
Header"] [Page_Header_Start] Employment Law
News [Page_Header_End] [/et_pb_fullwidth_code] [/et_pb_section] [e
t_pb_section admin_label="section"] [et_pb_row
admin_label="row"] [et_pb_column type="3_4"] [et_pb_text
admin_label="Text" background_layout="light"
text_orientation="justified" use_border_color="off"
border_color="#ffffff" border_style="solid"]
```

# Important changes to Tier 2 immigration rules

[post\_details]

## [Social-Share]

A number of important changes to Tier 2 immigration rules are now in force.

Firstly, the minimum salary threshold for experienced workers under the Tier 2 (General) category has increased to £25,000 from £20,800. It is anticipated that it will increase further to £30,000 in 2017.

Secondly, the minimum salary for the Tier 2 (Intra Company Transfer – short term staff) category has increased to £30,000. The Tier 2 (Intra Company Transfer) skills category (where there is a training or information transfer need) has now closed to new applicants.

Thirdly, the minimum salary threshold for Tier 2 (Intra Company Transfer – graduates) has reduced to £23,000 and sponsors can now use 20 such places a year, which is a significant increase from the former annual limit of 5 places.

Significantly, the 28-day grace period for submitting an in-country visa extension application has been abolished. Instead, the Government has implemented a policy whereby the Home Office will accept an application for extension submitted within 14 days of a visa expiring if there is good reason and the delay was outside of the applicant's control.

```
[/et_pb_text][/et_pb_column][et_pb_column
type="1_4"][et_pb_sidebar      admin_label="Sidebar"
orientation="right" area="sidebar-1" background_layout="light"
remove_border="off"]
[/et_pb_sidebar][et_pb_column][et_pb_row][et_pb_section][et
_pb_section      admin_label="section"][et_pb_row
admin_label="row"][/et_pb_row][et_pb_section]
```