

MPNP-B Eligibility

To qualify for the MPNP-B, interested applicants must:

- have a minimum verifiable personal net worth of CDN\$350,000;
- have a minimum three years of successful business ownership and management experience or a minimum three years of executive-level experience as senior manager of a business; and
- score a minimum of 60 points in the **Adaptability Assessment Matrix**.

The applicant must also be prepared to:

- attend an interview with a MPNP-B officer;
- make an **Eligible Business Investment** in Manitoba; and
- reside in Manitoba along with his/her dependent family members.

The applicant may have to:

- conduct an **Exploratory Visit** to Manitoba. The applicant must provide a visit report and other documents to demonstrate the research conducted during this visit; and
- provide the results of a language competency test to demonstrate language proficiency.

Note: Meeting the basic eligibility requirements does not guarantee nomination.

Please note: that if your intention is to establish a primary production farming operation, you are not eligible to apply through this regular business stream of the Provincial Nominee Program for Business (PNP-B). You must apply through the Farm Strategic Recruitment Initiative (FSRI) which is a special initiative of the PNP-B for farm business applicants.

Ineligible applications

Applications will **not** be accepted from individuals who:

- have an unresolved refugee claim in Canada;
- are in Canada illegally;
- are subject to a removal order in Canada;
- are prohibited from entering Canada;
- have an application pending with another Provincial Nominee Program in Canada;
- had a prior MPNP-B application refused within the last 12 months; or
- had a prior MPNP-B application refused for misrepresentation or false documentation within the last 24 months.
- if your intention is to establish a primary production farming operation.

Applicants residing in Manitoba while their application is being processed are responsible for maintaining their legal status in Canada as defined by the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (IRPA).

An applicant is only permitted to have one MPNP application in process at one time, and cannot apply through both the skilled worker and business categories of the program. The MPNP reserves the right to require applicants who, in the view of the Program, have the intention to immigrate to Canada for business purposes, to apply through the business category only.

Applicants should be aware that they may be ineligible for nomination by the MPNP-B, if they:

- do not meet the eligibility criteria as determined by the MPNP-B;
- have committed misrepresentation and/or fraud during the application process;
- have self-assessed an inaccurate number of points in the Expression of Interest (EOI) process;
- have been refused by another provincial or federal immigration program in Canada and the reasons of refusal are applicable to the MPNP-B;
- have close relatives and/or children residing in other province(s) of Canada;
- are unable to provide sufficient explanation with supporting documentation proving that the acquisition of their earned income and net worth were legally obtained; or
- are unable to demonstrate that they have the necessary resources and skills to operate their intended business.

Applicants may also be ineligible for immigration to Canada, if:

- the applicant or any dependent family member (whether accompanying or not) has a serious medical condition;
- the applicant or any dependent family member (whether accompanying or not) over the age of 18 has a criminal record; or
- the applicant has unresolved custody or child support disputes affecting any member of the family.

Business Ownership or Senior Management Experience

You must have at least three years of full time work experience in the past five years either as a business owner or in a senior management role of a successful business. Your job title, place of employment, responsibilities and business skills must be described clearly in the resume and in the Manitoba Provincial Nominee Program Generic Application Form - Business (MPNP-B APP). The application will be evaluated taking into consideration your business ownership and management experience, or your senior management experience or a combination of both.

Business Owner: As an entrepreneur, you must be engaged actively and on an ongoing basis in providing goods or services to customers. Also, as an entrepreneur, you should bear the risk of return for the capital investment in your business enterprise.

Please refer to FAQ#10 in Frequently Asked Questions for further information.

Senior Management Experience:

- You have occupied a position in the highest level of the management structure of a major business. In that position, you were responsible for the strategic policy development affecting a major component or a wide range of operations of that major business, and have done so for at least three of the past five years prior to applying.

- If your application is based on Senior Management experience, you must demonstrate that you have had a role with significant decision-making responsibilities involving a minimum of two of the following aspects of business:
 - Distribution
 - Production/Operations/Project management
 - Purchasing
 - Sales
 - Marketing
 - Finance
 - Accounting
 - Human Resources/Personnel
 - Research and Development
 - Information Technology management
 - Quality Control

- In addition to the above, you should also demonstrate that your level of income is commensurate with the prevailing income level of senior managers of other major businesses in your country. You must clearly demonstrate this level of income through documentation.