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IMMIGRATION UPDATE:

- Increased processing time for 408 visa applications
- Changes to the 408 visa application deadline

Increased Processing Time for 408 Visa Applications

LPA advises Members that there has been a **significant increase** to the 408 Visa processing times.

Once a 408 visa application is submitted to the Department of Home Affairs, the current processing timelines are:

- **50%** of applications: **20 Days**
- **90%** of applications: **42 Days**

408 Visa Application Deadline Changes

Due to the increase in the visa processing time, LPA now requires Members to adhere to visa documentation deadlines set out below:

Members should enter all the information for 408 applications into their IMMI account and provide application documents to LPA:

- **8 weeks prior to the applicant's departure date, or**
- **12 weeks prior to the applicant's departure**, if the applicant:
 - Has character issues (such as a criminal record)
 - Has health issues
 - May be required to provide **biometrics**, or
 - Is travelling from or a citizen of a high risk country.

PLEASE NOTE: Visa applications that are not submitted in accordance with the timelines above may not be processed by the Department of Home Affairs before the applicant is due to travel to Australia.

If an application is urgent and the above timelines cannot be met, Members must contact the LPA office on **(03) 8614 2000**.

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408 Entertainment visa and how LPA assists with this process.

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