



Australian working Holiday Visa

Information sheet

The Australian working holiday visa allows successful applicants to work and live in Australia for a period of 12 months. They are permitted to be employed for the full 12 months, however are not allowed to be employed for more than 6 months with any single employer. Applicants must be over the age of 18 but not have reached their 31st birthday before the time of application. They must also be single or married without children.

By engaging our services to represent you as an applicant for the working holiday visa, you can relax with the peace of mind that one of our skilled case workers will be handling your case ensuring that the job is done professionally and successfully.

Fees and payment methods

1st Contact offer a no-visa, no-fee policy which ensures that in the unlikely event that an applicant's application is unsuccessful they will receive a refund. Please note the government fee will not be refunded. Our fees for representing applicants are listed below:

	Our Fee (incl VAT)	Government Fee
Working Holiday	£220.00	Included in our Fee, usually £120
Australian Kickstart package	£100.00	NA
Visa and Kickstart Package Combo	£270.00	Included in our Fee, usually £120

The above prices includes our service fee, the Australian government fee and VAT. Fees are payable up front, prior to the application being lodged with the Australian government and can be made via cheque made payable to 1st Contact Visas or by debit/credit/switch cards by completing the attached payment slip.

On receipt, the completed documents will be passed to our case working team. The caseworker responsible for your application will then make contact with you, to confirm receipt of your paperwork and the entry date you have planned for your trip to Australia.

Processing Times

Standard applications to the Australian government would usually be completed in between 2-5 working days. These time frames are estimates and cannot be guaranteed.

Before you go to Australia

If you have only worked part of the tax year (06 April – 05 April) then it is highly likely you are due a refund. How does a little extra money for travelling or something extravagant sound? Check if you are due a refund by contacting taxrefunds@1stcontact.com

Set up a Bank Account in Australia before you get there. 1st Contact have an affiliation with a number of leading banks in Australia. Please contact migration@1stcontact.com for further information.

Once you have set up your Australian bank account you may like to transfer some of your savings from your UK bank account to get you started. 1st Contact Money Transfers offers excellent exchange rates, no hidden bank fees or charges, online transactions that clear within 3 working days, secure online system - 24 hours a day. Please contact money@1stcontact.com to set up a transfer today!

What to do next...

To start the procedure you will need to complete the attached questionnaire and payment slip and post to our offices:

1st Contact Visas
Castlewood House
77/91 New Oxford Street
London
WC1A 1DG
or scan and email to us at migration@1stcontact.com

Australian working holiday FAQ's

Who qualifies?

This visa is for people aged 18 to 30 years of age, who are interested in a working holiday of up to 12 months in Australia.

Important: Applicants must have turned 18, but not turned 31, at the time of visa application.

This visa allows successful applicants to supplement the cost of their holiday through incidental employment. If the primary reason



for travelling to Australia is to participate in the work force, a visa designed for that purpose should be considered instead.

The Working Holiday Visa is only granted once. People who have worked as a seasonal worker in regional Australia for a minimum of three months while on their first working holiday visa, may be eligible to apply for a second working holiday visa.

You may apply for this visa if you hold a passport for one of the countries or regions participating with Australia in the working holiday maker programme. (See the table below.)

A-F	G-L	M-Z
Belgium	Germany	Malta
Canada	HKSAR	Netherlands
Cyprus, Republic of	Ireland, Republic of	Norway
Denmark	Italy	Sweden
Estonia	Japan	Taiwan
Finland	Korea, Republic of	United Kingdom
France		

What does this visa let me do?

If you are granted this visa you can:

- › enter Australia within 12 months of grant
- › stay up to 12 months
- › leave and re-enter Australia any number of times while the visa is valid
- › work in Australia for up to 6 months with each employer
- › study or train for up to 4 months.

Can my family accompany me?

You cannot include family members in your application for this visa. If a family member or partner wants to come with you to Australia, they must apply for their own visa to Australia.

Can I extend my stay?

You must depart Australia when your visa ends, unless you apply for another type of visa to extend your stay. A first working holiday visa cannot be extended beyond the 12 month validity period. However, if you have completed three months seasonal work in regional Australia on your first working holiday visa, you may be eligible to apply for a second working holiday visa. To be eligible for your first working holiday visa, you must meet a number of requirements.

What are the general requirements?

You must:

- › be outside Australia when you apply for your visa and when your visa is granted.
- › not have entered Australia on a working holiday visa before

- › be aged 18 - 30 years (inclusive) at the time that you apply
- › be applying no more than 12 months before you intend to travel to Australia.
- › not have dependent children (either at the time of applying or after the visa has been granted)
- › hold a passport for a country or region participating with Australia in the working holiday maker programme

What are the health requirements?

All applicants are required to meet health criteria. Depending on your circumstances, you may need to undertake a medical examination which may include a chest x-ray, HIV, Hepatitis B and/or Hepatitis C test. All required health examinations must be completed before a decision can be made on your visa application. If you need a medical examination, the cost is not included in the visa application charge (fee) you pay when you lodge your application.

Do I need health insurance?

Medical treatment in Australia can be very expensive. As a tourist, you are not covered by Australia's national health scheme, unless there is a reciprocal health care agreement between Australia and your country. Health care for visitors to Australia is explained on the Medicare Australia website.

It is recommended that you take out health insurance for yourself and your family for the duration of your stay in Australia. Private health funds cover you for treatment as a private patient in private or public hospitals and can include some services such as dental and optical services. The costs and types of cover vary widely so if you decide to get private health insurance, it is important to check the details carefully before you take out the policy.

Financial requirements

You must have access to sufficient funds to support yourself for the initial stage of your holiday. Generally, AUD\$5,000 may be regarded as sufficient, but the amount may vary depending on your length of stay and the extent of your travel. You should also have a return or onward ticket or the funds for a fare to depart Australia. You may be asked to provide evidence. Evidence may include a certified copy of a bank statement and an air ticket out of Australia.

Visa Conditions

You must comply with all your visa conditions while in Australia on a working holiday visa. In addition to the work and study limitations, additional visa conditions may be imposed on your



first or second working holiday visa. A breach of any of these conditions may result in your visa being cancelled and you may have to leave Australia.

Travel to Australia

You must not make arrangements to travel to Australia until you are advised that your visa has been granted. Your visa is linked to the passport number you supplied in your application and so you must use the same passport to travel to Australia.

If you do obtain a new passport, you must advise the department of the new passport details before you travel to Australia. Otherwise, you may experience significant delays at the airport and could be denied permission to board your plane.

Kickstart Australia:

The Australian Kickstart service is designed to help new arrivals to Australia start enjoying all that the Australian culture and landscape has to offer. We do this by completing all the boring and time consuming processes for you before you arrive. That means that when you arrive you can focus on the fun stuff! Our services include:

1. Visa service.

We do all the visa application forms for you. We can answer all your visa questions. You may want to extend your visa in Australia or switch to a different visa type, we can assist in these types of queries and applications.

2. Bank account.

We will set up your Bank Account with ANZ one of the largest banks in Australia prior to you arriving in Australia.

3. Job Assistance.

We put you in touch with agencies and employers in Australia before you arrive so that you can get to work quicker.

4. Australian mobile number and SIM card.

We arrange an Australian mobile number for you before you arrive so you can stay in touch with friends, family and use your new Australian mobile number on your CV to communicate with Australian agencies and employers.

5. Free money transfer.

We will transfer funds from your UK or IRE bank account to your new Australian bank account before you arrive, saving you time and money.

6. Australian Tax File Number.

To get to work and get taxed correctly your going to need an Australian tax file number, we do all the paper work for you, making sure you get to work ASAP.

7. Post Manager.

While you are travelling around finding somewhere to settle down we can receive your post and scan and email it to you.

8. Free Income Consultation with Lester's.

Our business partner Lester's are a payroll company who specialise in reducing your tax and maximising your income, including your living away from home allowance!

9. Australian Info Pack.

The info pack contains information on the area you intend on travelling to. This includes information where to find affordable accommodation, how to register with a doctor or use the Australian medical system, and transport information plus lots more.

10. Oz Assist.

Oz assist offers a unique helpline Monday to Friday – call us and we'll do our best to answer your queries whatever they may be!

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Qualification for a working holiday Visa to Australia

Details

Title: (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms):

Family name:

Given name(s):

Sex: Male Female Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy): / /

Marital Status: Married Engaged Never Married De facto Divorced Separated/Widowed

Place of Birth

City/Town:

Country:

Passport number:

Country of passport:

Nationality of passport holder:

Issue date (dd/mm/yyyy): / / Expiry date (dd/mm/yyyy): / /

Place of issue/issuing authority:

Do you have an Australian visa label in your passport (If so what is it):

When do you propose to enter Australia (dd/mm/yyyy): / /

Do you have any dependent children? Yes / no

Are you known by any other names? (This includes names before marriage.) Yes / no

If yes, what are they?

Do you hold any other citizenship other than what's shown in your passport?
If so what is it?

In the last 5 years have you lived outside your current country of residence for more than 3 months? (Not including Australia).
Yes / no If yes, give details: Country:

Date of Arrival:

Date of Departure:

Have you entered Australia on a working holiday visa before? Yes / no

If Yes, Please answer these questions: Have you undertaken specified work in regional Australia for a total of 3 months? Yes / no

If Yes, in which industry did this work mainly occur? Agriculture Forestry & Fishing Mining Construction

Do you have approved evidence that you have undertaken specified work in regional Australia for a total of 3 months? Yes / no

Employment and Qualifications

What is your usual occupation?

What employment do you intend to seek in Australia?

What qualifications do you have?

Address in home country

Address:

City/town:

Postcode:

Country:

Contact details

Home number (include country and area codes):

Work number (include country and area codes):

Mobile number (include country code):

Email address:

Alternative email address:

Health

Do you intend to enter a hospital or health facility during your stay? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Do you intend to be in a classroom situation for more than 4 weeks? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Do you intend to work in a preschool centre as an employee or trainee? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Have You:

> Ever had or currently have, tuberculosis? Yes / no

> Been in close contact with a person who has, or has had tuberculosis? Yes / no

> Ever had a chest x-ray which showed an abnormality? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Do you require assistance with mobility or care in Australia? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Do you intend to perform medical procedures (eg: as a doctor/dentist/nurse)? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

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Whilst in Australia, do you expect to require treatment or incur costs for:

- Blood disorders Yes / no
- Cancer Yes / no
- Heart disease Yes / no
- Hepatitis B or C Yes / no
- HIV infection, including dialysis Yes / no
- Liver disease Yes / no
- Mental illness Yes / no
- Pregnancy Yes / no
- Respiratory disease that has required hospital admission Yes / no
- Any form of surgery Yes / no
- Any other health concerns Yes / no

Have you ever left any country to avoid being deported or escape being forcibly removed? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Have you ever been excluded from or asked to leave any country? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Have you ever been convicted of a crime or offence in any country (including any conviction which is now removed from official records)? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Have you ever been charged with any offence that is currently awaiting legal action? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Have you ever been acquitted of any criminal offence or other offence on the grounds of mental illness, insanity or unsoundness of mind? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Have you ever been removed or deported from any country (including Australia)? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Have you ever been refused a visa for Australia or any other country? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Have you ever committed war crimes against humanity or human rights? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

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Have you ever been involved in activities that would represent a risk to Australian national security? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Have you ever had any outstanding debts to the Australian government or Any public authority in Australia? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Have you ever been involved in (or convicted of) offences relating to the Illegal movement of people to any country? Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Have you ever served in a military force or militia, undergone military training or trained in weapons/explosives use?

(Other than in the course of compulsory national military service) Yes / no

If yes, give details:

Declarations

I certify that:

- › I have sufficient funds for the initial period of my stay in Australia and for the fare to my intended destination on leaving Australia? Yes / no
- › The information provided on or with this form is correct? Yes / no
- › I have read information on the working holiday visa and will abide by the conditions? Yes / no
- › I understand that the visa I am applying for does not permit me to undertake studies or training for longer than 4 months? Yes / no
- › I am applying for a working holiday visa for the first time and have not previously entered Australia on a working holiday visa (on a passport of any country)? Yes / no
- › I will respect Australian values as listed at the start of this application, during my stay in Australia and will obey the laws of Australia? Yes / no
- › I have truthfully declared all relevant details required of me in this application? Yes / no
- › If granted a visa I will advise the Australian government of any change in circumstances? Yes / no
- › Any employment is incidental to my holiday in Australia and the purpose of working is to supplement holiday funds? Yes / no
- › I will not undertake employment for more than 6 months with one employer? Yes / no

Applicant's signature:

Date:



Terms & conditions

1. Supply of service

- 1.1 1st Contact shall complete the information required for the application in accordance with information obtained from the client. Thereafter, 1st Contact shall lodge the application with the relevant authorities on the terms and conditions set out in this form.
- 1.2 The client shall at its own expense provide 1st Contact with the material as and when requested and within the time frame stipulated. 1st Contact cannot be held liable or responsible in any matter for any loss or damage how so ever caused to the materials though all care shall be taken in respect there of.

2. Charges

- 2.1 Subject to terms agreed between the parties in writing, the client shall pay the fee as follows; a deposit plus any additional charges levied by the migration authorities or assessing authorities as indicated by 1st Contact to register as a client and commence the application, and the balance paid prior to submission to the relevant authority.
- 2.2 The amounts due to 1st Contact shall be paid by the client together with any applicable value added tax and Without any set off or other deduction.

3. No visa no fee guarantee

- 3.1 1st Contact shall not be liable with respect to the above-mentioned guarantee where the refusal to grant a visa was due to one or more of the following reasons:

- 3.1.1 Health
- 3.1.2 Character
- 3.1.3 The provision of false or misleading documents or the making of false or misleading statements in any interviews
- 3.1.4 Failure to respond to or meet a request from any of the migration authorities within the time limits specified
- 3.1.5 Changes to any migration legislation coming into effect after the making of the agreements

4. Withdrawal of application

- 4.1 In the event of a withdrawal of an application by the client, the visa fee will not be refunded.

5. Warranties and liability

- 5.1 1st Contact shall not be held liable to the client or be deemed to be in breach by reason of any delay in performing, or any failure to perform, any of 1st Contacts obligations in relation to the service, where the delay or failure was due to any cause beyond our control.

6. Termination

- 6.1 1st Contact may (without limiting any other remedy which it has in law) at any time terminate this contract by giving written notice to the other if the other commits any breach of these conditions. No party shall have any claim of right of action arising from any undertaking, representation or warranty not included in this document.

Signed:

Date:

Contact details

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Payment Authorisation

I hereby authorise 1st Contact to debit my debit/credit card for the below amount (please tick preferred choice) in respect of Agency fees for:

- £220.00 for the Australian working holiday visa service including government fee and VAT. or
- £100.00 for the Australian Kickstart package. or
- £270.00 for the Australian working holiday visa kickstart combo.

Card type: (please tick)

Visa: Master Card: Switch/Maestro : Solo:

Card number:

Valid from (mm/yy): / (if applicable)

Expires (mm/yy): /

Issue number: (if applicable)

Security code:

Signed:

Print name:

Date (dd/mm/yy): / /

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