

Subclass 417 - Working Holiday Visa FACT SHEET

The subclass 417 - Working Holiday visa allows certain tourists aged between 18 and 30 years old (or 35 years old, depending on the passport held) to have an extended holiday in Australia, while supplementing their funds with short-term work. The visa is valid for 12 months and allows multiple entries into and exits from Australia. Visa holders can study for up to four months, and can generally work for up to six months with any one employer (although this may be extended in certain, limited circumstances).

SUBCLASS 417 - WORKING HOLIDAY VISA REQUIREMENTS

Note: These are the minimum requirements for an application for this type of visa. Depending upon your particular circumstances, you may need to meet additional requirements.

You must:

- be outside Australia when you apply for your *first* Working Holiday Visa
- at the time of application, be aged:
 - between 18 and 35 years old (inclusive) if you are from Canada, Denmark, France, Ireland, Italy or the United Kingdom **OR**
 - between 18 and 30 years old (inclusive) if you are from any other country listed below
- hold a passport for one of the countries, or regions, listed in the table below:

Countries Participating with Australia in the Working Holiday Program				
Belgium	Canada	Cyprus	Denmark	Estonia
Finland	France	Germany	Ireland	Italy
Japan	South Korea	Malta	Netherlands	Norway
Sweden	Taiwan	United Kingdom	Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, including British National Overseas passport holders	

- meet the relevant health and character criteria

THE SPECIFIED WORK REQUIREMENT

If you are applying for your **second** Working Holiday visa, you must also:

- have **completed three calendar months of 'specified work' in Australia** while on your first Working Holiday visa

To be eligible for a **third** Working Holiday visa, you must:

- on or after 1 July 2019, **have completed six calendar months of 'specified work' in Australia** while on your second Working Holiday visa

If you hold a passport from the UK, and use your UK passport to apply for the visa, you are not required to meet the specified work requirement.

The period of '*specified work*' means an evidenced period of **paid, full-time equivalent work** over a minimum period of **88 calendar days** (for three months) or **179 calendar days** (for six months). A range of factors will be considered to determine if the work claimed meets the 'specified work' threshold requirements. Please contact us for further information or an eligibility assessment.

'*Specified work*' includes certain types of paid work carried out in the following industries and locations:

In Regional Australia (as defined by post code)

- fishing & pearling
- mining & construction
- plant & animal cultivation
- tree farming & felling
- tourism & hospitality (in northern or remote and very remote Australia only)

Bushfire and Natural Disaster Affected Areas of Australia (as defined by post code)

- bushfire recovery work undertaken after 31 July 2019 in declared bushfire affected areas (includes voluntary work)
- natural disaster recovery work undertaken after 31 December 2021 in declared flood, cyclone or other severe weather affected areas (includes voluntary work)

Anywhere in Australia

- critical COVID-19 work in healthcare and medical sectors, carried out after 31 January 2020, while holding a subclass 417 - Working Holiday visa or a subclass 408 AGEE COVID-19 Pandemic event visa

APPLICATION PROCESS

The visa application is lodged with the Department of Home Affairs (the DOHA), along with any supporting documents. The main criterion is that you satisfy the requirements listed above. You must also have access to sufficient funds to support yourself during the initial stages of your holiday. In addition, you must meet certain health and character requirements, and may be asked to provide evidence of health and/or travel insurance.

You must enter Australia within 12 months of the date that your visa is granted. You may then work in any job in any location in Australia, provided that you do not work for more than six months for any one employer, unless you have written permission from the DOHA to work more than six months. You must also not study for more than four months.

Your subclass 417 - Working Holiday visa may be subject to a 'No Further Stay' condition, meaning that you will not be able to apply for any further visas while you are in Australia. Even if your visa is not subject to this condition, you will only be able to apply for a limited range of visas while you are in Australia.

PLEASE NOTE: We estimate that it may take a few weeks to prepare and lodge your application, with the time taken largely dependent on how promptly you provide us with the necessary supporting information and documents.

The time that it takes the DOHA to process your application is dependent upon its processing time service standards, and may also vary due to a number of other factors, including the complexity of your case, perceived risk factors and processing priorities. Please contact us for current information regarding likely processing timeframes for this type of application.

This Fact Sheet contains **general information only**. We strongly recommend that you seek specific guidance from us that is relevant to your circumstances before taking any further action.

Do you have additional questions regarding the subclass 417 - Working Holiday visa? Please feel free to contact us by email at support@dojolegal.com.au, or by phone on **+61 02 9138 0688** to arrange a paid consultation.

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