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Visa to work as an au-pair

Persons aged 18 or over but under the age of 27 can be granted a visa to work as an au-pair for a period of at least six months and not longer than twelve months. The aim of au-pair stays is to improve language skills and broaden horizons by getting to know the host country. Only one au-pair stay in Germany is possible.

The visa must be approved by the Federal Employment Agency and, where applicable, the competent foreigners authority in Germany. The visa can only be issued when this approval has been received. Processing time is as a rule less than 8 weeks but can take longer in individual cases.

Required documents:

Please make sure to prepare a complete set of the following documents (collated in the order as listed below with a legible, unstapled copy in DinA4 format) to submit during your appointment:

- o filled and signed application form incl. declaration acc. 54 AufenthG
- Valid and personally signed passport with at least two completely empty pages 1 copy of the passport's data page
- 1 biometric passport pictures, not older than 6 months
- Residence permit (card) in Denmark original + 1 copy. Please copy the front and back of the residence permit.
- Proof of address in Denmark, e.g. yellow health insurance card or residence certificate from Danish Borgerservice, not older than 2 months – original + 1 copy
- Signed au-pair contract based on the specimen contract published by the Federal Employment Agency (https://www.arbeitsagentur.de/datei/aupair-vertrag_ba013161.pdf)
 (original and 1 copy) A printout or fax copy will be accepted if the au-pair post was offered through an agency with RAL Gütezeichen (Quality Mark)
- o Certificate of residence (Meldebescheinigung) of host family
- Au-pair questionnaire (Fragebogen der Gasteltern) completed by host family: https://con.arbeitsagentur.de/prod/apok/ct/dam/download/documents/AuPair-Fragebogen_ba013162.pdf – original plus 1 copy
- o German language skills, at least level A1
 - Letter of motivation detailing expectations of planned stay and anticipated career and personal benefits, as well as future plans
- Personally drafted complete curriculum vitae, detailing in particular training to date and, where applicable, periods of employment
- Health insurance in line with EU standards (to cover taking up residence in Germany and valid for the entire Schengen area, minimum coverage of 30,000 €, valid from the day of entry for the entire stay); proof to be provided at the latest when collecting the visa!

Fees:

75 €, payable either by Visa/Mastercard or in cash in DKK (approximately 560 DKK, depending on the exchange rate)

Additional information:

Submission of the aforementioned documents does not guarantee that a visa can be granted. The Embassy reserves the right to request further documents.

All data contained herein are based on the knowledge and experience of the Embassy at the time of drafting this information sheet.

However, no liability can be assumed for the completeness and accuracy.

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