

## Working Holiday Visa

### Important information:

- Documents must be provided with an official translation in English or German.  
Exceptions: passports and Dutch residence permit
- Please submit the original documents (if required), otherwise a copy is sufficient.
- The Consulate General reserves the right to request further documents.
- Visa applications with **complete** documents have the best chances to be successful. Incomplete applications can be rejected with reference to your obligation to cooperate in accordance with Section 82 of the Residence Act.
- For the “Working Holiday Visa”, **you can expect a processing time of approximately one week.** Please refrain from status inquiries, these cannot be answered.

## Checklist Working Holiday Visa

*Please bring the following documents to the appointment at the Consulate General. Bring originals plus one copy per document. Print copies one-sided, not back-to-back, do not staple. If documents contain more than one page, please use paper clips to keep the document together.*

- Fully completed and signed [VIDEX application form](#)
- [Signed declaration pursuant to Section 54 of the Residence Act](#)
- A recent **biometric passport photo in the following format**. Place the passport photo on the VIDEX application form and do not glue it.
- Valid **original passport**, with at least 2 blank pages. The 2 blank pages must be next to each other. Copies of passport data pages and all pages containing data, visa, stamps.
- Proof of financial means** of EUR 1,200 for the first 3 months. Bank statement from your personal bank account at a European bank, in EUR. Citizens from the US, Canada, Australia and New Zealand can prove financial means with bank accounts from their countries of origins, in Dollars.
- Return ticket to your home country** or additional EUR 1,000 for financing your return ticket
- Proof of accommodation** for the first 3 months. Invitation letter from someone who lives in Germany (including copies of the person's passport and residence permit) or with booking confirmation of apartment/hotel/hostel etc.
- Tabular CV** with your professional experience, qualifications, language skills
- Letter of motivation**. Explain (in English or German) why you want to spend your “working holiday” in Germany. If you write your letter of motivation in German, please explain where you learned German. Please explain what kind of work you would like to do in Germany, what you would like to visit and what your future plans are.
- Citizens from Argentina** must present an original **certificate of good conduct** (Certificado de Antecedentes Penales/ polizeiliches Führungszeugnis). The document can be issued in Spanish (no translation needed)
- Travel health insurance** with coverage of at least EUR 30,000. The travel health insurance must be valid for your entire stay in Germany.
- Visa fee, EUR 75** cash or credit card (Mastercard or Visa only); to be paid during the appointment