

# **Working Holiday Netherlands**

**Complete guide to requirements and application**

# Main Requirements

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## Sufficient Funds

It is recommended to have at least €2,500 to support yourself initially, in addition to having a return ticket. Demonstrated with a bank statement.



## Age and Stay

Aimed at young people between 18 and 30 years old. The residence permit is valid for a maximum of 12 months and is legally non-extendable.



## Translations

Knowing the language is not exclusive. However, official foreign documents must be properly apostilled and translated by a sworn translator.

# Exams and Background

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## Medical Exams

Are clinical tests required?

- Applicants are completely exempt from medical tests.
- Nationalities are listed in Immigration (IND) Annex 7644.
- Abolishes the government obligation to undergo tuberculosis tests or medical checks.

## Criminal Records

Is a physical police certificate required?

- A physical police certificate from your country of origin is not required.
- Strictly requires completing the Background Declaration Annex (Form 7601).
- Functions as a sworn declaration of good conduct.

# Can I study during my stay?

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The Working Holiday allows you to train, with restrictions:

- **Short Studies Allowed:** Freedom to enroll in language courses (Dutch or English) and short-term educational programs.
- **University Degrees Prohibited:** It is strictly forbidden to study full-time higher education programs (Bachelor's or Master's degrees).
- **Student Visa Alternative:** If your main goal is long-term professional training, you must apply for a student visa instead.



# Information by Nationality

| Nationality                       | Allowed Age        | Assigned Quotas | Application Modality              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Argentina and Uruguay             | 18 to 30 years old | 100 annually    | In-person (Embassy/MVV)           |
| Canada, Australia and New Zealand | 18 to 30 years old | Unlimited       | Direct Application (IND/Online)   |
| Taiwan and Hong Kong              | 18 to 30 years old | 100 annually    | In-person (Embassy/MVV)           |
| Japan and South Korea             | 18 to 30 years old | 200/Unlimited   | Official Digital Pre-registration |

# Calendar and Fees

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## Opening Dates

The calendar varies depending on the passport country:

- **Latin America:** Limited annual quotas. Uruguay enables appointments between April/May; Argentina has a single annual opening.
- **Oceania and Canada:** Enjoying unlimited quotas, the application remains open continuously.
- **Asia:** Specific registration windows or progressive monthly releases.

## Official Costs

The government IND fee remains fixed for all origins:

- **Visa Fee:** The exact processing cost is €85.00.
- **External Costs:** Mandatory medical insurance (minimum €30,000 coverage).
- **Additional Expenses:** Budget for public translations, apostilles, and international document shipping.

# Process and Approval Times

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## 1. Modalities

Apply via Consular Appointment, Digital Pre-registration, or Direct Application based on your nationality.

## 2. Evaluation

Once IND receives the complete file and fee, the legal processing period is up to 90 days.

## 3. Resolution

Receive a decision letter. If positive, you will have a deadline to collect your entry visa (MVV).

## 4. Entry

With the MVV stamped, you have exactly 90 days to enter the Netherlands and pick up your residence permit.

# Application Checklist

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## Valid Passport



Clear color copies of the main data page and absolutely all pages containing visas or travel stamps.

## Application Form



Official document (Form 7520 or 9561) printed, completed without errors, and signed.

## Annex 7601



Background Declaration Appendix completed and signed under oath.

## Proof of Economic Solvency



Recent bank statement demonstrating the equivalent of €2,500.

## Coverage and Flights



Copy of your medical insurance policy and evidence of the return ticket.

# Top Destinations

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## Amsterdam

The vibrant capital will captivate you with iconic canals, bicycles, and a cosmopolitan atmosphere.



## Rotterdam

Recognized worldwide for avant-garde modern architecture and the largest commercial seaport in Europe.



## Utrecht

Discover immense medieval charm with unique underground canals and a warm student community.

# **Prepare your trip!**

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## **Time is of the Essence**

The competition to obtain this visa varies enormously. While nationalities like Canada and Australia enjoy an open window, other applicants must be extremely fast.

For countries with a limit of 100 vacancies, quotas can vanish in hours. Have your translated statements and insurance ready.

The country of tulips awaits you. Best of luck!



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