



Finland Working Holiday Visa

Complete guide to requirements and application for your Nordic adventure.

Universal Requirements

Learn the key rules and general conditions that apply to all eligible nationalities for the working holiday visa in Finland.

Funds and Extensions

How Do I Prove My Funds?

It is mandatory to prove financial solvency to support your initial stay.

You must show an equivalent of **€2,450** through a recent bank statement exclusively in the applicant's name.

The document must be issued in (or officially translated into) Finnish, Swedish, or English. In addition, you must have a return ticket or the funds to purchase one. Sponsors are not accepted.

Can I Extend My WHV?

No. The Finland Working Holiday Visa is strictly valid for a maximum of **12 months**.

It is a visa that is legally non-extendable under the same category.

If you wish to stay in Finland longer after your WHV year expires, you must apply for a change in the purpose of residence, such as a specialist work visa or a university study permit.

Additional Documents



Language and Translations

Knowing the language is not mandatory. However, documents do not require official translation if the original is issued in English, Finnish, or Swedish. Otherwise, translation is mandatory.



Medical Exams

Physical medical exams are not required in the first instance for regular applications. However, if medical history is provided, the same translation rule into English/Finnish/Swedish applies.



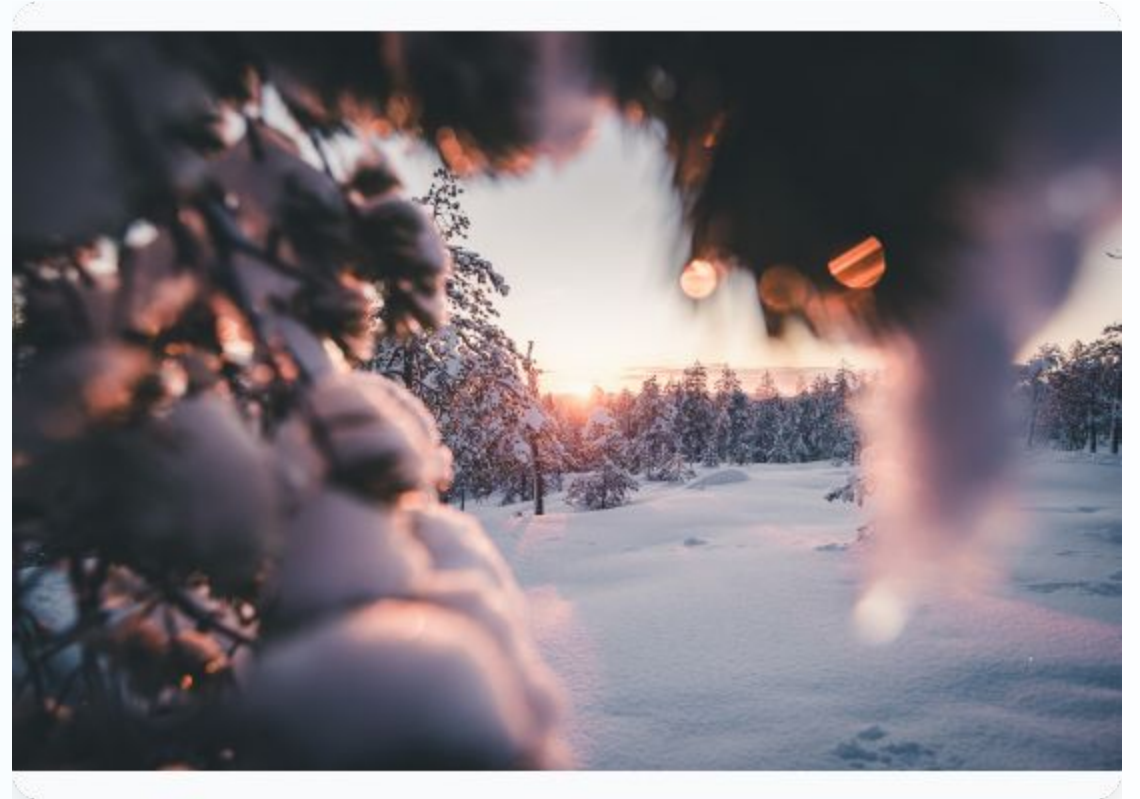
Criminal Records

It is not required to submit a physical police certificate initially. However, it is mandatory to declare your criminal record status digitally directly on the application form.

Medical Insurance and Studies

Medical coverage and education are key points when traveling to Finland:

-  **Mandatory Insurance:** For Canada, Japan, and New Zealand, medical insurance is mandatory. It must cover illness, hospitalization, and repatriation uninterrupted for 12 months.
-  **Australian Exemption:** Australia is exempt from the mandatory requirement due to bilateral health agreements, but the government strongly recommends
-  **Study Rules:** Short studies or complementary courses (such as languages) are allowed. Pursuing full-time undergraduate degrees is strictly prohibited.



Country Specifications

Details on quotas, specific processes, opening dates, and fee differences depending on the application passport.

Nationalities Comparison

Nationality	Allowed Age	Migri Fee	Medical Travel Insurance
Australia	18 to 30 years	€530 (digital)	Recommended (Exempt by agreement)
Canada	18 to 35 years	€530 (digital)	Mandatory (12 months coverage)
Japan	18 to 30 years	€530 (digital)	Mandatory (12 months coverage)
New Zealand	18 to 35 years	€0 (Exempt)	Mandatory (12 months coverage)

* Note: The paper (in-person) fee costs €630. Additional external expenses such as VFS Global or translations may be added.

Availability and Quotas

Unlimited Quotas

Unlike other Working Holiday visas in Europe, Finland offers total and guaranteed availability. There is no strict numerical limit on vacancies or competition for quotas for eligible nationalities.

Calendar Open Year-Round

The application is open uninterruptedly 365 days a year. You can start your application and process your residence permit whenever you consider it appropriate for your trip.



Application Process



How is the application made?

The process to obtain the Working Holiday Visa in Finland follows a modern hybrid structure to guarantee authenticity and speed up procedures:

- 1. Digital Application:** The main step is done 100% online through the official **Enter Finland** portal, where you will create your profile and upload your digital documents.
- 2. Mandatory In-Person Appointment:** Once the online application is submitted, it is mandatory to attend an in-person appointment at the Finnish embassy, consulate, or designated VFS Global center for identity authentication and biometrics.



Valid Passport

Document of your nationality with sufficient validity.



Official Photograph

Passport-size photo (max. 6 months old).



Passport Copies

Color copies of the data page and pages with stamps.



Proof of Funds

Approx. €2,450 net available in a bank account in your name.



Return Ticket

Ticket out of Finland or additional funds to purchase it.



Medical Insurance

Certificate covering the entire stay (if applicable to your country).

Key Visa Facts

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Months of Duration

Maximum legally permitted non-extendable time to reside and vacation in Finnish territory with this visa.

€530

Official Migri Fee

Cost of the digital procedure (€630 if in paper). New Zealand is exempt from this official fee.

Must-See Destinations



Helsinki

The charming and modern capital that merges vibrant Nordic design, classic architecture, and a wonderful coastal archipelago. Ideal for your initial settlement.



Rovaniemi

The heart of Finnish Lapland and official home of Santa Claus. A perfect winter wonderland to experience snow, reindeer, and a different lifestyle.



Turku

The oldest city in the country and former capital. Located at the mouth of the Aura River, it stands out for its medieval castle, vibrant university atmosphere, and culture.

Age Limit by Country

Maximum allowed application ages (inclusive) depending on your passport of origin. Once this limit is passed, it is not possible to apply.



Prepare your adventure!

With vacancies guaranteed year-round, your Nordic experience is one step away. Gather your documentation and get ready to immerse yourself in the magic and quality of life of Finland.

Questions?

Thank you for your attention and best of luck with your application to Finland!

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