

BRITAIN – WORKING HOLIDAY VISA

- Working Holiday Visas are required by South African passport holders
- The visa is valid for two years
- You cannot re-apply for a Working Holiday Visa, it is a once off visa.
- You must be aged 17-30 years.
- You must not have any large commitments, eg, loans, bonds.
- The visa validity is determined by the British High Commission, we have no control over validity dates.
- **The monetary requirement is an estimate only, the BHC works on a monthly living expense of £650.00 per month and a minimum working wage of £4.50 per hour.**

REQUIREMENTS

- Passport must be valid for at least 6 months after your return in two years.
- One application form, one questionnaire
- Two recent passport size photo
- A copy of a brief C.V is sometimes required if you are unemployed at present
- If currently employed, three months salary slips required
- Proof of accommodation is required, ie; If staying with friends or family, a letter of invitation stating the size of the property, proof of ownership or permission from the landlord as well as a copy of their passport is required or a youth hostel card may also be submitted.
- **Do not** purchase the air ticket until the visa has been granted
- You need to provide evidence of plans on return; a future job offer or enrolment at college/university
- A bank statement for the last three months with a minimum of R20 000.00 is required, regardless of the time you wish to spend there
- The funds must be in an account that is immediately accessible. No credit card, money market, investment or 32 day notice accounts are accepted
- If currently employed a letter from your employer is required stating your position held, period of employment and if expected to return, date of return.
- If recently graduated, a letter from the school stating your date of graduation, if expected to return, date of return.

PROCESSING TIME

- 4 days to 4 weeks, depending on the High Commission