

# Au pair in Canada General Requirements

| Topic                                        | Au pair in Canada - Working Holiday Visa                                                                                                                                                                     | Au pair in Canada - Live-in Care Giver Program                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <b>Age</b>                                   | 18-30 or 35 depending on nationality                                                                                                                                                                         | No age limit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Pocket Money</b>                          | To be negotiated. As a guide, we recommend \$200 CAD for around 35 hours work                                                                                                                                | To be negotiated                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Working hours, free time and holidays</b> | To be negotiated. As a guide we recommend around 35 hours per week and holidays to be calculated at 2 weeks for every 6 months worked.                                                                       | To be negotiated                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Accommodation and meals</b>               | An au pair in Canada is provided with a private, lockable room in the family home                                                                                                                            | An au pair in Canada is provided with a private, lockable room in the family home. The host family may deduct a fee for board and lodging from your wages                                                                                                       |
| <b>Travel costs</b>                          | A working holiday maker must pay for their own travel costs.                                                                                                                                                 | The host family is responsible for one way travel costs from the au pair's country of residence to the host families home in Canada. If the au pair is already in Canada, the host family is responsible for the au pair's transportation costs to their house. |
| <b>Language skills and courses</b>           | An au pair in Canada must be able to speak, read and understand English or French. Attending a language course is not required                                                                               | An au pair in Canada must be able to speak, read and understand English or French. Attending a language course is not required                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Length of stay</b>                        | Varies depending on country of origin (ranging from 12-24 months)                                                                                                                                            | Up to 4 years and 3 months                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Insurances</b>                            | An au pair in Canada is required to have their own comprehensive private insurance, including medical, hospitalisation and repatriation cover as well as liability insurance for the duration of their stay. | The host family must provide health care insurance until the au pair is eligible for provincial / territorial health care insurance. The host family must also register the au pair for Workplace Safety Insurance at no cost to the au pair.                   |
| <b>Au pair in Canada Job duties</b>          | Childcare and light housework                                                                                                                                                                                | Childcare and light housework                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Driving as an au pair in Canada</b>       | We recommend obtaining an International Driving Permit prior to arriving in Canada. If your                                                                                                                  | We recommend obtaining an International Driving Permit prior to arriving in Canada. If your                                                                                                                                                                     |

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