



Key facts about Taiwan

- **Population:** Approx. 24 million
- **Official languages:** Mandarin, Taiwanese Hokkien & Hakka
- **Capital city:** Taipei
- **Largest cities:** Taipei, Kaohsiung, Taichung, Tainan
- **Currency:** New Taiwan dollar (TWD)

Taiwan Working Holiday Visa requirements for Australians

In addition to Australians, Taiwan offers working holiday visas to citizens of Austria, Belgium, Canada, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Japan, Korea, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Slovakia, and the UK.

The information on this page applies to Australian citizens. Please check the [Taiwan Bureau of Consular Affairs website](#) or contact your nearest embassy for information applicable to citizens of other countries.

To apply for a Taiwanese working holiday visa as an Australian citizen, you **must meet the following requirements**:

- Aged between 18–30 years old (inclusive) at the time of application
- Have at least TWD100,000 (approx. AUD5,000) in savings
- Have a return flight booking to Taiwan (or enough money to buy one)
- Be in good health
- Take out health/travel insurance

You **cannot** apply for this visa if you:

- Will be accompanied by dependent children
- Have a criminal record
- Have already participated in the working holiday program in Taiwan

Documents needed to apply for this visa

When applying for a working holiday visa for Taiwan as an Australian citizen, you will need to provide the following documents:

- Completed Working Holiday Maker **visa application form**

- Australian passport valid for more than a year
- Two colour portrait photos (2×2 inches) taken within the last six months
- Return plane ticket or proof of sufficient funds to buy one
- Bank statement/s or other proof that you have at least the equivalent of TWD100,000 (approx. AUD5,000) in savings
- Certificate or proof of travel/health insurance that covers medical and hospitalisation expenses during your entire stay in Taiwan

There is a non-refundable visa application fee of AUD144 (this is subject to change), payable by bank cheque or money order made out to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office.

In the past, a [health check certificate](#) (issued within the previous 3 months) and police check certificate were also listed as required documents for Australians applying for a Taiwanese working holiday visa. These are no longer listed on the official website as requirements. See the [Taipei Economic and Culture Office in Australia website](#) and [Bureau of Consular Affairs website](#) for more information.

How to apply for a Taiwan Working Holiday Visa

You can get more information and apply for your working holiday visa through the relevant Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) for your state. You must be in Australia when you apply.

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TECOs are available at the following Australian locations:

- [The TECO Head Office in Canberra](#) (for ACT & WA residents)
- [The TECO in Sydney](#) (for NSW residents)
- [The TECO in Melbourne](#) (for VIC, SA & TAS residents)
- [The TECO in Brisbane](#) (for QLD & NT residents)

Before visiting the TECO, you can access and complete the visa form online at the [Bureau of Consular Affairs website](#).

Once you've submitted all required documents to the TECO, the visa processing time is generally 1-2 weeks.

Your visa will be initially valid for 180 days (six months). Once you're in Taiwan, you can extend this for a further 180 days by visiting your local National Immigration

Agency office no later than 15 days before the visa is initially due to expire.

The dedicated [Working Holiday Program website of Taiwan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#) also has some useful tips for making the most of your working holiday experience!

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