



Ambasciata d'Italia in Wellington

WORKING HOLIDAY VISA APPLICATION

New Zealand citizens living in New Zealand can apply for a Working Holiday Visa for Italy to the Embassy of Italy in Wellington.

This visa is issued for 365 days during which time the applicant may work for a total of six months but no more than three months with the same employer.

The applicant must:

- ✓ Be aged between 18 and 30 years, inclusive, at the time of application;
- ✓ Satisfy the visa officer that his/her primary intention is to holiday in Italy, with employment being an incidental rather than a primary reason for the visit;
- ✓ Not include any minor dependents on the application;
- ✓ Have not previously taken part in the working Holiday scheme;
- ✓ The applicant must enter Italy within 3 months from the date of issue of the visa; if not, it will automatically expire and will no longer be able to be used.

In order to lodge an application, applicants are required to post to the Embassy (PO box 463, 6140) the following documentation:

- [National Visa Application Form](#); the application must be signed in front of a NZ Justice of the Peace (JP);
- A valid passport with at least 90 days validity after the visa expiry date (the passport must have a blank page on which the visa will be affixed);
- 1 recent passport-style photo;
- Proof of sufficient funds to support the stay in Italy (availability of at least 5.500 NZD through a current bank balance/statement; Please add an extra NZ\$ 1000.00 if applicant has purchased only one way ticket to Italy);
- Full flight itinerary including border of entry into Italy. We can only accept flights direct to Italy and not to other countries in the Schengen Area;
- Proof of Payment of the visa processing fee (i.e. screenshot of your bank account). Payment is required by bank transfer. Please note that the amount of the visa processing fee changes from quarter to quarter. The applicant is advised to check the correct amount to be paid and our bank details [at this link](#) (Please pay amount for National Visa);
- Prepaid self-addressed courier envelope with attached "Courier with Signature" label (to be purchased separately). For Rural deliveries please include also a "Rural Delivery label" (also purchased separately).
- Travel insurance (must cover 365 days from the arrival in Italy) with a minimum coverage of 30.000 Euro for emergency medical expenses.

Please note that our visa officers reserve the right to request additional documentation to support a visa application. Please note that within 8 working days of arrival in Italy, the holder of the "working holiday" visa must go to the nearest "Questura" (Police and Immigration Station) and apply for a "permesso di soggiorno" (residence permit).

Visas can take up to 30 days to process once a complete application is submitted and if there are no setbacks. We encourage applicants to apply two months in advance before their intended date of departure.