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## **Mauritius**

### **Information regarding applications for a visa for Au-Pairs**

#### **1. General information**

Visa applications have to be submitted personally in the office of the German Honorary Consul in Mauritius.

Please note that applications can only be proceeded after all documents have been handed in.

The Embassy informs that the mere submission of all documents does not constitute any claim for the issuance of a visa.

The Au-Pair has to be at least 18 years old when starting the employment in Germany and may not exceed the age of 25 years when applying for the visa.

Please note that a stay as an Au-Pair in Germany requires basic knowledge of the German language. This will be tested during the visa proceedings in an interview about subjects of everyday life with an assistant of the Honorary Consul.

The Au-Pair agreement has to last not less than 6 months and may not exceed the duration of one year. A re-employment as Au-Pair is not possible, even though the maximum period of time of one year has not been fully utilized.

#### **2. Procedure**

Please submit all documents in person in the office of the German Honorary Consul.

Incomplete applications can not be accepted.

In general, the submission of the documents mentioned at the end of this leaflet should be sufficient.

In some cases further documents may have to be handed in or a personal interview with the Honorary Consul might be considered.

The visa fees (60,- €) have to be paid upon application and can not be reimbursed, even if the visa is not granted. All fees have to be paid in rupees.

Moreover, an additional fee of 35,- € (payable in rupees) will be charged for the transmission of the documents via courier service (Mauritius – Madagascar – Mauritius). If necessary further fees might be charged for certification of those documents.

All Mauritian documents have to be apostilled by the Prime Minister's Office (4<sup>th</sup> floor, Port Louis). Furthermore, each Mauritian document has to be accompanied by a German translation. The Honorary Consul's Office offers translation services at the charge of 10,-€ per document (payable in rupees).

Once all required documents have been submitted, they are sent to the German Embassy in Antananarivo. After assessment through the competent section within the Embassy, the application is forwarded to the competent Aliens Authority in Germany, who has to give its approval to the issuance of the visa.

Please note that the Embassy cannot decide on whether the visa can be issued or not before the competent authority in Germany has cast its vote. In general, the procedure takes approx. 8 weeks after all the required documents and information have been duly submitted in the Embassy. Please refrain from making enquiries within this time.

Provided that all requirements for the issuance of the visa are met, the office of the Honorary Consul will inform you per telephone.

Once you have received your visa, make sure that all details regarding personal and travel data are correct. The Embassy assumes no liability for claims resulting from potential mistakes.

### 3. Requested documents

The following documents have to be submitted when applying for a visa for Au-Pairs (the forms to be filled in can be obtained, free of charge, in the office of the Honorary Consul or on the website of the Embassy [www.antenanarivo.diplo.de](http://www.antenanarivo.diplo.de) )

yes/ no

- 2 application forms completely filled in and signed by the applicant
- 2 recent biometric passport photographs, size 3,5 x 4,5 cm
- 2 declarations according to § 55 para. 2 no. 1 AufenthG (residence act) completely filled in and signed by the applicant
- passport with validity period of not less than 1 year and 2 copies of the data page
- invitation letter of the Au-Pair family with 2 copies
- birth certificate of the applicant, apostilled and translated in German, each with 2 copies
- Au-Pair contract with 2 copies
- proof of participation in a German language course with 2 copies
- proof of all previous academic studies (school, university, etc.), each with 2 copies

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