

# WHAT YOU NEED TO WORK IN THE UK

THIS DOCUMENT SETS OUT SOME BASIC INFORMATION  
ON THE DOCUMENTS YOU WILL NEED TO LIVE AND WORK IN THE UK.  
THE THREE KEY THINGS YOU NEED ARE;

**VISA**

**NATIONAL INSURANCE NUMBER**

**A UK BANK ACCOUNT**

# VISA

The best starting point is to follow this link: <https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa>  
Below is some general information on UK visas taken from the UK GOV website.  
There are many types of visa, however two most common visas are:

- a) **Youth mobility scheme visa**
- b) **Ancestry visa**

## A - YOUTH MOBILITY SCHEME VISA

**You can apply for a Tier 5 (Youth Mobility Scheme) visa if you:**

- Want to live and work in the UK for up to 2 years
- Are aged 18 to 30
- Have £1,890 in savings

**You can't apply if you have:**

- Children who live with you
- Children you're financially responsible for
- Already been in the UK under the scheme or in the former 'working holidaymaker' category

**How long it will take**

You can apply for a visa up to 3 months before the date you travel to the UK.  
You should get a decision on your visa within 3 weeks.

**Fees**

It costs £225 to apply.

From April 2016, you may also have to pay the £200 Health Surcharge.

**How long you can stay**

You'll be given a visa to live and work in the UK for up to 24 months.

You can enter the UK at any time while your visa is valid, and leave and come back at any time during your stay. If you turn 31 while you're in the UK, you can stay for as long as your visa is valid.

**What you can and can't do**

**You can:**

- Study - for some courses you'll need an Academic Technology Approval Scheme certificate
- Work in most jobs
- Be self-employed and set up a company - as long as your premises are rented, your equipment isn't worth more than £5,000 and you don't have any employees

**You can't:**

- Work as a professional sports person (eg as a coach), doctor or dentist in training - unless you can show you qualified in the UK
- Extend your stay
- Get public funds
- Bring in family members on your application - they must apply separately

## B - UK ANCESTRY VISA

**You may be eligible for a UK ancestry visa if one of your grandparents was born in the UK.**

**You can apply for a UK Ancestry visa if you:**

- Are a Commonwealth citizen
- Are applying from outside the UK
- Are able to prove that one of your grandparents was born in the UK
- Are able and planning to work in the UK
- Are 17 or over
- Have enough money without help from public funds to support and house yourself and any dependents

**Your ancestry**

You must also show that you have a grandparent born in 1 of the following circumstances:

- In the UK, including the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man
- Before 31 March 1922 in what is now the Republic of Ireland
- On a British-registered ship or aircraft

**You can claim ancestry if either you or the relevant parent:**

- Were adopted
- Were born within or outside marriage in the UK

You can't claim UK ancestry through step-parents.

**How long it will take**

You need to apply at least 3 months before you want to come to the UK.

You should get a decision on your visa within 3 weeks.

**Fees**

Your UK Ancestry visa will cost £324.

From April 2016, you may also have to pay the £200 Health Surcharge.

**How long you can stay**

You can stay in the UK for 5 years on this visa.

You can apply to extend your visa.

You can also apply to settle in the UK permanently.

**What you can and can't do**

**You can:**

- Work
- Study
- Bring family members

**You can't:**

- Change ('switch') into this visa if you're already in the UK on another visa
- Get public funds

# NATIONAL INSURANCE NUMBER

**A national insurance number is a unique reference number assigned to each person within the state insurance system. You cannot work without having a National Insurance Number of proof of your application for a National insurance number**

- You can only apply once you have arrived here and you have the right to work in the UK
- It can take up to 3 months to arrive and you may need an interview
- When you apply, you should receive a reference number which proves your application.

**As long as you have the reference number in writing, you can be employed by iNTERNAIN Ltd**

**Call the following number to apply:**

National Insurance number application line

Telephone: **0345 600 0643** Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm

You can go to the local JobCentre and you will be provided a reference number straight away

# A UK BANK ACCOUNT

**This can be tricky to acquire. There are four options:**

- a. Use your full NI number from Department of Working Pensions with your UK address on it, this will be enough with ID
- b. The company is registered with the home office as a trusted sponsor which ranges from tier 1 to 5 and a letter from them will be efficient enough with ID (this will not be useful if you are employed with intertain as we cannot offer sponsorship)
- c. Provide a utility bill in their name with a UK address + ID (this will not be useful if you are moving into intertain accommodation as we pay the bills)
- d. Change the address of your Australian bank to the address you will have in the UK and use a bank statement which will state the UK Address

**IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR ASSISTANCE WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE, OUR FRIENDS AT BRITBOUND OFFER A RANGE OF AWARD-WINNING OPTIONS TO HELP YOU TO ORGANISE VISAS, NATIONAL INSURANCE, BANK ACCOUNTS ETC. SO THAT YOU CAN HIT THE GROUND RUNNING. FOR FURTHER INFO VISIT: [WWW.BRITBOUND.CO.UK/PACKAGES/THE-BASIX-INTERNAIN](http://WWW.BRITBOUND.CO.UK/PACKAGES/THE-BASIX-INTERNAIN). BRITBOUND ALSO RUN A 365-DAY JAM PACKED SOCIAL EVENT CALENDAR INCLUDING LOADS OF FREE EVENTS AND DISCOUNTS ON UK/EU TRIPS, TOURS, PARTIES, MUSICALS, SPORTING EVENTS AND MUCH MORE. WITH AN ACTIVE COMMUNITY OF OVER 5,000 PEOPLE IN THE UK, DON'T MISS OUT!**