

TAX FILE NUMBER (TFN)

A TFN is required for you to legally work and receive wages from your employer. Alliance Abroad Group has partnered with a company called TaxBack to make sure you receive a TFN. Taxback will apply for your TFN using the information you provide in the attached form. Please make sure to complete this form with **your current home country address**.

→ Please send this TFN application form back to me as soon as possible.

Your host company will ask for this TFN in order to complete your payment details. The TFN will be applied for directly by TaxBack the day you arrive in Australia and can take an average of 10-28 business days to process. Please be aware, you can work for your company without this number for a total of 28 consecutive days.

Additionally, you will need the TFN in order to lodge a tax return. The average Australian tax refund is \$4000. TaxBack will also be able to help you with this process.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

STAY IN AUSTRALIA FOR 183+ DAYS (6 Months)

The main rule is that while working in Oz, you should remain in Australia more than 6 months - 183 days to be exact - to pay less tax and be eligible for a tax return.

If you stay less than 183 days, it is likely you will not get a refund and will be considered a non-resident for tax – therefore not entitled to a tax return, and might also have to pay additional fees to the Australian Government. For a person's first 6 months they are deemed as a non-resident and should be paying this non-resident rate of tax – 32.5%.

Once the 6 months has passed you are then considered a resident and can pay a rate of 19% tax. When you file a tax return, you will be considered a resident so the overpayment can be claimed back. So in a way the non-resident rate will be like saving, should you remain in Oz over the 6 months (Again: 183 days is the rule).

Usually it is best if you remain in *one location* for 6 months. (Change of addresses are ok, but same city) However, if you have travelled, you can still get a tax return –Please note: If you are audited by the tax office (this would be by random selection), you could be deemed as a non-resident if you cannot provide proof of living in the one location for 183 days or more.

CLAIMING THE TAX REFUND

If you work over two tax years, for example: You arrive in February and stay until November, you will apply for tax at the end of tax year, June 30th, and then again in November when you are leaving.

Who will help you with this? For more info, contact:

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