

# Looking for work in the UK

A short guide to finding a job in the UK

To find jobs, information and guidance visit:

- European Job Mobility Portal www.eures.europa.eu
- Directgov website www.direct.gov.uk
- Jobseeker Direct telephone search
  - +44 (0) 845 606 0234
- Job search in Northern Ireland www.jobcentreonline.com

We strongly advise that you use these services to find work in the UK **before** you travel.

See the other side of this guide for some important things you must do when you get to the UK, and are about to start a job.

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## What do I need to do when I get to the UK?

**Get a National Insurance number**If you have just started or are about to start work, you will need a National Insurance number.
Please telephone to arrange an

interview on 0845 600 0643

#### Make sure you are being paid the National Minimum Wage

You should be paid a minimum of £5.93 per hour if you are aged 21 years or over and working in the UK. The rate for workers aged 18 to 20 is £4.92 per hour.

If you are not being paid this amount, you should contact the Pay and Work Rights Helpline on **0845 6000 678** 

#### **Worker Registration Scheme**

You may need to apply to the Worker Registration Scheme.

If you are from one of the following countries:

- Czech Republic
- Estonia
- Hungary
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Poland
- Slovakia
- Slovenia

You should apply to register with the scheme as soon as you start a new job and within one month of starting a job. The fee is £90.

You can download a form and find out more information from the UK Border Agency website: www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/workingintheuk/eea/wrs/workers

### Permission to Work for Romanian and Bulgarian citizens

Restrictions to citizens of Bulgaria and Romania:

www.ukba.homeoffice.gov. uk/workingintheuk/eea/ bulgariaromania

Accession State Customer Contact Centre: 0114 207 4074

As at October 2010 calls to **0845** numbers from BT landlines should cost no more than 4 pence per minute with a 9 pence call set up charge.

You may have to pay more if you use another phone company or a mobile phone, or if you are calling from abroad. Calls from mobile phones can cost up to 40p per minute, so check with your service provider.

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