NORWAY WELCOMES SKILLED PROFESSIONALS TO WORK AND SETTLE IN NORWAY UNDER SKILLED JOB SEEKER RESIDENCE PERMIT

APPLY FOR NORWAY SKILLED JOB SEEKER RESIDENCE PERMIT THROUGH OPULENTUS OVERSEAS CAREERS AND CHERISH YOUR DREAM OF WORKING IN A EUROPEAN COUNTRY!
Norwegians and Nature

Norwegian adoration of nature is a vital ingredient in the country's national identity. Over half of the population have ready access to a cabin, the schools arrange annual obligatory ski days, and most postcards produced by the tourist industry depict nature scenes rather than cultural attractions. Most Norwegians live in single-family homes and large apartments, equipped with every thinkable electric appliance. Nevertheless, great value is attached to closeness to nature and a simple lifestyle. Thousands of Norwegians spend weekends and holidays at the family cabin, which ideally speaking should be tucked away in the wilderness surrounded by the pristine landscape of the Norwegian mountains.

The typical Norwegian cabin is built of logs and consists of a living room, one or more bedrooms, an outdoor lavatory, woodshed and small kitchen. Heating is preferably by wood, although kerosene is permissible, just barely. Oil lamps and candlelight provide light on dark winter nights.

This simplicity is not due to a desire to save money. In fact a mountain cabin in an attractive location is a costly investment, no matter how simply they are furnished. The absence of modern comforts is founded on ideological and moral, rather than economic, reasons. (It must be added here that many Norwegians have a cabin by the coast, usually in an area with a mild climate. Here, completely different rules apply: these cabins can be comfortable second homes.)

Economy in Norway

Norway is a highly developed, industrial country with an open, export-oriented economy. Listed as one of the richest countries in the world, it has also achieved top-rankings with regard to standard of living, life expectancy, overall health and housing standards. The high level of material wealth is partly due to an abundance of natural resources, and partly due to Norway's inclusion in the industrialization of Western Europe, as a result of its close proximity to the major markets. Norway has actively implemented the restructuring measures needed to
achieve economic growth. Extensive trade and contacts with other countries have given Norwegian industry a foundation on which to develop an advanced economy. High investments in production equipment, improved and extended education as well as technical and organizational expertise in industry and public administration have also helped to promote growth.

**Major Industries in Norway**

- Oil and Gas
- Maritime Industry
- Sea Food
- Services

**Work in Norway**

Labour migration is an integral part of the development of Norwegian society. The Norwegian authorities are seeking to make it easier for qualified foreign workers to get a job in Norway. Most foreign workers need a permit to work in Norway.

There are different types of permits for skilled workers. You must have specialist training corresponding to upper secondary education level, hold a craft certificate, have completed a university college or university education or degree, or have special qualifications.

Work permits can also be given to foreigners who are qualified for a residence permit, such as students (part-time work permit only) and those married to a Norwegian. If you don’t fit into any of the above categories, you may be able to get a work permit if you have a special skill that is needed in Norway.

**Job Search in Norway**

Research shows that as much as 60% of all available jobs are never advertised through the regular channels. This number may be a bit too high, but the fact remains that many vacancies are never published.

Often there will be many applicants for jobs that have been advertised. You will find many of these advertisements in Norwegian newspapers, but it is becoming increasingly common to use the Internet as a channel for advertising. Many vacancies are now only published via company websites, and some companies will only accept applications submitted through their own electronic application system.

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**Skilled Jobseeker Residence Permit**

**Eligibility:**
- The purpose of this residence permit will be to seek employment as a skilled worker or specialist in Norway.
- You must be subject to be a visa requirement
- You must be a skilled worker. The term skilled worker covers the following categories:
  - Specialist training corresponding to upper secondary education level.
  - Craft Certificate. It must have resulted in the same level of expertise as a Norwegian craft certificate.
  - University College or University Education. The requirement is a completed degree or study programme, for example a Bachelor or Master’s degree.
  - Special Qualifications. You must have gained expertise through professional experience of a certain duration, alternatively in combination with courses and similar. If there is a formal education in the field, you must have achieved a corresponding level of expertise as such education leads to.
  - The permit is only valid for six months.

You are not eligible for a residence permit as a jobseeker if you wish to seek employment as a religious leader/teacher or an ethnic cook.

- You must have sufficient funds for the period in which you intend to stay in Norway. This must correspond to salary grade one in the pay scale for Norwegian state employees. This currently corresponds to NOK 107,450 for six months, which amounts to NOK 17,908 per month.

**The Content of the Permit**

- The residence permit allows you to seek employment as a skilled worker or specialist in Norway, but it does not entitle you to work.
- The permit can be granted for six months.
- The permit entitles you to repeated entry into Norway for the duration of the permit.
- The permit does not form the basis for a permanent residence.

**Is the Permit Renewable?**

The permit is not renewable. A new permit as a jobseeker cannot be granted until the applicant has stayed outside Norway for one year.
Benefits of a Jobseeker Visa

- The Skilled Jobseekers who are successful in securing a job in Norway can apply for a skilled worker residence permit with a sponsorship from a local employer.
- The Employer can easily sponsor your skilled worker residence permit.
- This permit also forms to Permanent residency in Norway after completing 3 years of residence.

It's quick, it's inexpensive & the chances of success are good!

Application fees by the embassy

Fees need to be paid in cash or credit card

Residence permit

- (usually entitles the holder to work) 1.100 NOK, 9,851.44 INR.
- Process timings: 3-4 months (Discretion of the Norway embassy)
- **Opulentus Charges**: 30,000
- Processing time of application by Opulentus: 1-2 week after complete documents received