IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE COMING TO FRANCE AS AU PAIR 2019

In March 2019, the legislation applicable to the arrival of au pairs in France will undergo changes, in application of the European Directive of May 11, 2016 and following the law n° 2018-778 of September 10, 2018 for "a controlled immigration, effective right of asylum and successful integration"

Here are the main changes from March 2019:

1. AU PAIR STATUS:
The status is indeed, clarified and thus avoids errors of interpretation. The term JEUNE AU PAIR will officially replace the Stagiaire Aide familial étranger

2. AU PAIR VISA:
• The visa will be given to young people directly by the Consulate upon presentation of a CONVENTION and supporting documents (still in progress)
• The visa issued will be a Long Stay Visa validated as a residence permit for the duration indicated on the Convention. The maximum length of stay will be 12 months (renewable once)
• Once in France, the applicant must declare her/himself to the OFII (online process) to validate her/his visa
• In case of renewal of residence permit: the Au pair will have to go to the Police dpt to apply for an au pair ‘Carte de séjour’

3. SCHOOL:
It is no longer mandatory for YOUNG AU PAIRS to attend French lessons during their stay; the CONVENTION specifies however, that the family devotes in the schedule, the necessary time for the young person to follow courses if she/he wishes

4. NUMBER OF HOURS PER WEEK: week = 25 hours max

5. POCKET MONEY: Minimum 320 euros per month

6. DAYS OFF 1 day per week minimum

7. TERMINATION AGREEMENT: In case of a termination for "gross misconduct" 1-week notice will be required, otherwise it is an agreement between the young person and the host family

Conditions to become an AU PAIR in France:
• Age: 18/30 years
• Temporary placement in a host family of a different nationality, not related in order to improve their language skills in exchange of light housekeeping duties and childcare for children aged more than 3 years old (family with children under 3 years old will be asked to provide a proof of external childcare)
• To have a minimum knowledge of the French language or have a secondary level of education or professional qualifications