Fruitpickers for seasonal work in Denmark

Workindenmark South

(Arbejdspladsen ligger i Odense kommune)

Denmark needs seasonal workers for the harvesting of Strawberries, peas, raspberries, onions, pumpkins and other fruits and vegetables. We are also looking for a few bus- lorry- and tractor drivers for the summer season of 2011. We have about 200 jobs.

Working periods:

Strawberries: from late May/mid. June to late July/mid. August 5-10 weeks

Peas: from Late May to late August – 8-14 weeks

Onions/pumpkins - from late May to late October (2 weeks break in August) Raspberries/Strawberries in tunnels: from April to November, different periods

Accommodation:

Strawberries and peas picking from May to August – in most cases applicants have to bring a tent, cooking utensils and warm clothes. A camp site with cooking, bathing and toilet facilities is available on the farm. The rental fee for the outdoor accommodation is between 2 and 10 EURO/day. Sometimes the employer can offer indoor accommodation (payment). Before May and after August – the employer will always offer indoor accommodation or help the applicant to find accommodation.

Travel

Applicants plan and pay for the travel to and from Denmark themselves, travel costs can be deducted in the tax payment.

Payment:

The picking of strawberries and peas is always piecework – average 0.8-0.9 Euro/kilo (average of 10-15 Euro/hour depending of the working speed). Other types of work can also be piecework or pay by the hour - if the employer have an collective agreement about 15 euro/hour – if not, it can be less.

Working hours

20-60 hours /week, average 37. Often start at 4 AM/ in the morning, working until midday – 6 -7 days a week. Be aware that working on a strawberry farm means changing working hours – in the beginning of the season you might work only a few hours a day and in the high season perhaps 60 hours a week!

Tax

Seasonal workers can get a special tax deduction according to costs for living in Denmark (often the tax payment is about 10-14 % the first 3 month because of special rules for short time seasonal workers). Workers have to bring a special tax

form (certificate of residence and tax liability) to be sure to get the tax deduction. The tax form can be found on www.seasonalwork.dk

Requirements:

English language medium level
Motivated for hard physical work
A must to have experience in agricultural work
Candidates who have been working abroad before will be preferred

How to apply:

Application and further information online on www.seasonal.dk

Important:

It is very important that you register all your work experience and fill in as much information as possible on the online application form; this will increase your chance of getting a job in Denmark.

Latest application: Latest application date is the 1st of March 2011 (Please ignore application date elsewhere in this job ad)