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(1) Comply with the au pair placement requirements set forth in paragraph (e) of this section;

(2) Satisfy the selection requirements for each individual au pair as set forth in paragraph (d) of this section; and

(3) Enforce and monitor host family's compliance with the stipend and hours requirements set forth in paragraph (j) of this section.

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§ 62.32 Summer work travel.

(a) *Introduction*. These regulations govern program participation in summer work travel programs conducted by Department of State-designated sponsors pursuant to the authority granted the Department of State by Public Law 105–277. These programs provide foreign post-secondary students the opportunity to work and travel in the United States for a four month period during their summer vacations. Extensions of program participation are not permitted.

(b) *Participant selection and screening*. In addition to satisfying the requirements set forth at § 514.10(a), sponsors shall adequately screen all program participants and at a minimum shall:

(1) Conduct an in-person interview;

(2) Ensure that the participant is a bona fide post-secondary school student in his or her home country; and

(3) Ensure that not more than ten percent of selected program participants have previously participated in a summer work travel program.

(c) *Participant orientation*. Sponsors shall provide program participants, prior to their departure from the home country, information regarding:

(1) The name and location of their employer, if prior employment has been arranged; and

(2) Any contractual obligations related to their acceptance of paid employment in the United States, if prior employment has been arranged.

(d) *Participant placement*. Sponsors shall ensure that not less than 50 percent of their program participants have pre-arranged employment with a U.S. employer. For all program participants for whom pre-arranged employment has not been secured sponsors shall:

(1) Ensure that the participant has sufficient financial resources to support him or herself during his or her search for employment;

(2) Provide the participant with pre-departure information that explains how to seek employment and how to secure lodging in the United States;

(3) Prepare and provide to program participants a roster of bona fide job listings equal to or greater than the number of participants for whom pre-arranged employment has not been secured; and,

(4) Undertake reasonable efforts to secure suitable employment for any participant who has not found suitable employment within one week of commencing his or her job search.

(e) *Participant compensation*. Sponsors shall advise program participants regarding Federal Minimum Wage requirements and shall ensure that participants receive pay and benefits commensurate with those offered to their American counterparts.

(f) *Monitoring*. Sponsors shall provide:

(1) All participants with a telephone number which allows 24-hour immediate contact with the sponsor; and

(2) Appropriate assistance to program participants on an as-needed emergency basis.

(g) *Use of third parties*. Program sponsors are responsible for full compliance with all Exchange Visitor Program regulations. If a program sponsor elects to utilize a third-party to provide U.S. hosting, orientation, placement, or other support services to participants for whom they have facilitated entry into the United States, such sponsor shall closely oversee the provision of these services by the third-party and ensure that the provision of these services satisfies all regulatory obligations.

(h) *Placement report*. In lieu of listing the name and address of the participant's pre-arranged employer on the form IAP–66, sponsors shall submit to the a report of all participant placements. Sponsors shall report the name, place of employment, and the number of times each participant has participated in a summer work travel program. In addition, for participants for

whom employment was not pre-arranged, the sponsor shall also list the length of time it took for such participant to find employment. Such report shall be submitted semi-annually on January 30th and July 31st of each year and shall reflect placements made in the preceding six month period.

(i) *Unauthorized activities.* Program participants may not be employed as domestic employees in United States households or in positions that require the participant to invest his or her own monies to provide themselves with inventory for the purpose of door-to-door sales.

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Subpart C—Status of Exchange Visitors

§ 62.40 Termination of program participation.

(a) A sponsor shall terminate an exchange visitor's participation in its program when the exchange visitor:

(1) Fails to pursue the activities for which he or she was admitted to the United States;

(2) Is unable to continue, unless otherwise exempted pursuant to these regulations;

(3) Violates the Exchange Visitor Program regulations and/or the sponsor's rules governing the program, if, in the sponsor's opinion, termination is warranted;

(4) Willfully fails to maintain the insurance coverage required under § 514.14 of these regulations; or

(b) An exchange visitor's participation in the Exchange Visitor Program is subject to termination when he or she engages in unauthorized employment. Upon establishing such violation, the Department of State shall terminate the exchange visitor's participation in the Exchange Visitor Program.

§ 62.41 Change of category.

(a) The Department of State may, in its discretion, permit an exchange visitor to change his or her category of exchange participation. Any change in category must be clearly consistent with and closely related to the participant's original exchange objective and necessary due to unusual or exceptional circumstances.

(b) A request for change of category along with supporting justification must be submitted to the Department of State by the participant's sponsor. Upon Department of State approval the sponsor shall issue to the exchange visitor a duly executed Form IAP–66 reflecting such change of category and provide a notification copy of such form to the Department of State.

(c) Requests for change of category from research scholar to student will be evaluated recognizing the fact that, in some cases, research skills can be substantially enhanced by doctoral study.

(d) An exchange visitor who applies for a change of category pursuant to these regulations is considered to be maintaining lawful status during the pendency of the application.

(e) An exchange visitor who applies for a change of category and who subsequently receives notice from the Department of State that the request has been denied is considered to be maintaining lawful status for an additional period of thirty days from the day of such notice, during which time the exchange visitor is expected to depart the country, or for a period of thirty days from expiration of the exchange visitors' Form IAP–66, whichever is later.

§ 62.42 Transfer of program.

(a) Program sponsors may, pursuant to the provisions set forth in this section, permit an exchange visitor to transfer from one designated program to another designated program.

(b) The responsible officer of the program to which the exchange visitor is transferring:

(1) Shall verify the exchange visitor's visa status and program eligibility;

(2) Execute the Form IAP–66; and

(3) Secure the written release of the current sponsor.

(c) Upon return of the completed Form IAP–66, the responsible officer of the program to which the exchange visitor has transferred shall provide:

(1) The exchange visitor his or her copy of the Form IAP–66; and

(2) A notification copy of such form to the Department of State.