

## WORK/HOSTEL INFORMATION SHEET

Work on farms in Queensland is hot, hard work and we must ensure that we supply our farms with people who are hard workers and can manage the tasks they are set. If you suffer from back problems, then this is probably not the sort of work you should be looking for. Days can be long and demanding, but good fun, once you get into the swing of things!!

Please remember that we are NOT the farmers. They decide the days you work. We can never guarantee you a job as soon as you arrive, unless we have contacted you specifically. We will get you working as soon as possible. Please note that we do not get you in on the pretence of work and keep you waiting for months. At the start of the season, work can be a bit spasmodic, until things get up and going. Work is dependable on the weather, market prices, breakdowns etc. All are out of anyone's control. Tractor and forklift licences are handy, so if you have one, let me know on arrival. When you leave, the farm will sign off your days for your second year visa.

All the work we find for backpackers who stay with us is hourly paid to you by the farmer into your bank account weekly. Please ensure that you have a working holiday visa, Australian Tax File Number, and bank account details (BSB and Account numbers) Old clothes are required for work, covered in shoes (trainers OK) or boots are acceptable, a wide brimmed hat and long sleeved shirt, if you are working outside, gloves if picking, sunscreen and a good water container.

We provide your transport to and from work and take you shopping weekly (twice a week later in the season) at no extra charge. Please ensure you bring some food with you, in case you have missed the shopping trip.

You can get to Bowen by flying to Proserpine Airport which is 1 hour away from Bowen. A shuttle bus can be booked by phoning Jim Cummins on 0423 877 992. Alternatively, you can get here by Greyhound/Premier buses. Please arrive during the day or early evening. We do not have a 24hr check in.

To check in, you require 3 weeks rent. 2 weeks is kept as a deposit, refundable when you leave, and the other is for your first weeks rent, in advance. You must always be paid up a week in advance. Failure to do this means you will not be taken to work, replaced on the farm, and asked to leave the hostel.

As we are a working hostel, we ask you to take other people into consideration regarding noise etc. We want everyone to have a good time, and be considerate of other guests.

Bed linen is supplied and rooms are cleaned weekly.

Should you decide to come to Aussie Nomads, a copy of our House Rules must be read, signed by you, and returned to us, before you arrive. When this is done, we can then reserve a bed for you.

**AUSSIE NOMADS, BOWEN - HOUSE RULES**

On checking in, you agree to comply with our rules which are designed to maximise safety and consideration of everyone. We want everyone to have a good time, and be considerate of other guests. Should you get on the “wrong side of the law” for any reason, again, you will be asked to leave, and not allowed back onto the property. Any damage done to anything on the property will be taken from your deposit.

We take you to work and pick you up again at the end of the day. We may have several farms all finish at the same time, and you will be picked up as soon as possible. Should you require transport from the workplace for something other than sickness or an emergency, to be confirmed by the farm, there is a charge of \$35. Hangovers are not a sickness, and you will not be taken to work with one. Farms can do random alcohol/drug testing.

To check in, you require 1 week rent in advance. You must always be paid up 1 week in advance. Failure to do this means you will not be taken to work, replaced on the farm, and asked to leave the hostel

**WE DO NOT HOLD YOUR PASSPORTS.** Please do not ask us to use your passport as collateral against your rent. We only need a photocopy of your passport for visa verification with the Dept. Immigration.

We have a Bar/Bistro and Bottle Shop on the premises; therefore NO alcohol must be brought into the Hostel. Anyone caught doing this will be asked to leave, as it contravenes our Liquor Licence and massive fines apply. Smoking is allowed in the designated areas only, again fines apply if this is not adhered to.

Rooms are cleaned weekly and you are asked to keep them tidy. No food, alcohol or drinks to be taken into bedrooms, water is allowed. Non residents are only allowed in the Public Areas.

Should you be asked to leave the Hostel for any reason, there is a \$50 administration fee.

I,....., UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO

(PRINT NAME)

AUSSIE NOMADS HOUSE RULES

SIGNATURE..... DATE.....

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER :