

Working hours for young persons under the age of 18



		Subject to compulsory education		Not subject to compulsory education			
		13-14 years old	15-17 years old	15-17 years old	Young persons 15-17 years old in shops, petrol stations etc.	Young persons 15-17 years old in theatres, cinemas, concert venues etc.	Young persons 15-17 years old in restaurants, hotels, grill bars etc.
Daily working hours	School days	Maximum 2 hours		As usual working hours for adults, but maximum 8 hours			
	Other days	Maximum 7 hours	Maximum 8 hours				
Weekly working hours	Weeks with school days	Maximum 12 hours		As usual working hours for adults, up to a maximum of 40 hours			
	Other weeks	Maximum 35 hours	Maximum 40 hours				
Period of rest in a 24-hour period		Continuous period of at least 14 hours per day		Continuous period of at least 12 hours a day			
Days off in each 7-day period		Two consecutive days, usually including Sundays. Can be dispensed with in agriculture and healthcare					
Evening and night work ¹⁾		Prohibited between 8.00 pm to 6.00 am		Prohibited between 10.00 pm and 6.00 am	May assist in performances until midnight	May work until midnight ²⁾	May participate until midnight ³⁾
Working alone		Young persons are not allowed to work alone between 6.00 pm and 6.00 am on weekdays and between 2.00 pm and 6.00 am on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays ⁴⁾					
Breaks		Minimum 30 minutes if the working day is more than 4.5 hours. Apart from this break, the daily working time must be consecutive if the working time is 8 hours or more					

1) Delivery of daily newspapers may begin no earlier than 5.00 am.

2) Young persons under the age of 18 are not allowed to work during opening hours in premises where alcohol is served. This also applies to, e.g., cloakrooms and restrooms associated with the serving area.

3) Other dispensations require authorisation from the Danish Working Environment Authority.

4) This applies to work during opening hours in bakery shops, kiosks, grill bars, video stores, Internet cafés, service stations etc. as well as shops at isolated locations.

When working in a shopping centre, young persons may work alone or together with other young persons during the shopping centre's regular opening hours between 6.00 pm and 8.00 pm on weekdays and between 2.00 pm and 8.00 pm on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays if the shopping centre is frequently patrolled by security guards during these periods or if the work in the store is carried out under other forms of supervision.