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# Skilled worker

German: *Fachkraft*

According to Section 18 (3) of the Residence Act [AufenthG], a skilled worker is a person with a third-country nationality who meets one of the following conditions:

1. Successful completion of qualified vocational training or higher education in Germany; or
2. Successful completion of qualified vocational training or higher education abroad, and the acquired qualification is equivalent/comparable to German vocational training or a German higher education degree.

Please note that the terms “skilled worker” and “skilled workers” on the Make it in Germany website are not systematically used in the same legal realm as the legal definition in Section 18 AufenthG.

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