



## FOREIGN ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

### 2005-2006 Version of Foreign Entry Requirements

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**This listing is for U.S. citizens traveling on tourism/business and does not apply to persons planning to emigrate to foreign countries.** Persons traveling on official business for the U.S. Government should obtain visa information from the agency sponsoring their travel. For purposes of this publication, a visa is an endorsement or stamp placed by officials of a foreign country on a U.S. passport that allows the bearer to visit that foreign country. Note: Wherever you see the words "photo(s) required" in this publication, it generally means that you will need to **submit passport-size (2"x2") photographs.**

**IMPORTANT: THIS LISTING IS PREPARED FROM INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM FOREIGN EMBASSIES *PRIOR TO DECEMBER 2005.* THIS INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. CHECK ENTRY REQUIREMENTS WITH THE CONSULAR OFFICIALS OF THE COUNTRIES TO BE VISITED WELL IN ADVANCE.**

**PASSPORTS:** U.S. citizens who travel to a country where a valid U.S. passport is not required will need documentary evidence of their U.S. citizenship and identity. Proof of U.S. citizenship includes an expired U.S. passport or an original birth certificate. A certified copy of the birth certificate is also acceptable, but it must have the registrar's signature and a raised, impressed, embossed, or multicolored seal. If you were born abroad, a Certificate of Naturalization, Certificate of Citizenship, or Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United States will suffice. To prove identity, a valid driver's license or government identification card are acceptable provided they identify you by physical description or photograph. However, for travel overseas and to facilitate reentry into the U.S., a valid U.S. passport is the best documentation available and unquestionably proves your U.S. citizenship. Before you send your passport through the mail to apply for a visa, sign it in ink, and write in pencil your current address and daytime telephone number in the space provided. This will help the U.S. Postal Service return it to you should it become separated from the envelope during processing.

Some countries require that your **U.S. passport be valid at least 6 months** or longer beyond the dates of your trip. If your passport expires before the required validity, you will have to apply for a new one. Please check with the Embassy or nearest Consulate of the country that you plan to visit for their requirements.

Some Middle Eastern or African countries will not issue visas or allow entry if your passport indicates travel to Israel. Consult the National Passport Information Center, telephone 1-877-4USA-PPT (1-877-487-2778 or TDD/ TTY: 1-888-874-7793) or <http://www.travel.state.gov/passport/index.html> for guidance if this applies to you.

On effective dates below, all travelers to or from the Americas, the Caribbean and Bermuda will be required to have a passport or other document that establishes the bearer's identity and nationality to enter or re-enter the United States. On **December 31, 2006**, the requirement will be applied to all air and sea travel to and from Bermuda, the Caribbean, Central and South America, Mexico, and Canada. On **December 31, 2007**, the requirement extended to all air, sea, and land border crossings. For more information or to confirm effective dates, visit the State Department's consular web site [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) or the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's web site at [www.dhs.gov](http://www.dhs.gov).

**VISAS:** If a visa is required, obtain it from the appropriate foreign consular representative before proceeding abroad. Allow sufficient time for processing your visa application, especially if you are applying by mail. Most foreign consular representatives are located in principal cities, and in many instances, a traveler may be required to obtain visas from the consular office in the area of his/her residence. **IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TRAVELER TO OBTAIN VISAS, WHERE REQUIRED, FROM THE APPROPRIATE EMBASSY OR NEAREST CONSULATE OF THE COUNTRY YOU ARE PLANNING TO VISIT.**

As soon as you receive your visa, check it to make sure no mistakes were made. **Processing and visa fees vary, and most fees may not be refundable.** For specific details, consult the Embassy or Consulate of the country you plan to visit.

**IMMUNIZATIONS:** Under the International Health Regulations adopted by the World Health Organization, a country may require International Certificates of Vaccination against yellow fever, especially if you are traveling from an area of the world that is infected with yellow fever. Prophylactic medication for malaria and certain other preventive measures are advisable for travel to some countries. No immunizations are required to return to the United States. Detailed health information may be obtained from your local healthcare provider or by contacting the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, telephone 1-877- 394-8747 or Internet: [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

**HIV/HIV TESTING:** An increasing number of countries have established regulations regarding HIV testing, particularly for long-term visitors. Although many are listed here, check with the Embassy or Consulate of the country that you plan to visit to verify if this is a requirement for entry.

**ADDITIONAL FEES:** All international flights are subject to U.S. Immigration and U.S. Customs fees paid in advance as part of your ticket. In addition, many countries have departure fees that are sometimes collected at the time of ticket purchase or upon exiting the foreign country.

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**AFGHANISTAN-** \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires one application form, one passport-sized photo attached to application form, a passport with minimum of six months validity, an invitation letter from employer or sponsor, and proof of sufficient funds. Visa fee processed in 2 weeks \$50, three days \$70, and 24 hrs \$100; must be paid with money order or cashier's check. For specific requirements, consult the Embassy of Afghanistan located at 2341 Wyoming Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008, (202- 483-6410). Internet: [www.embassyofafghanistan.org](http://www.embassyofafghanistan.org)

**ALBANIA** - \* A passport is required. All travelers entering or exiting Albania must have six months or more validity on their passport. Customs officers strictly enforce this law. A traveler does not have to obtain a visa prior to entering Albania. An entry card will be issued at the point of entry that is valid for a stay of up to 30 days for a fee of ten Euros, or the equivalent in any easily convertible currency, including U.S. dollars. An extension of up to 60 days (90 days total) may be obtained by applying at the local police station. For stays exceeding 90 days, those interested must apply for a Residency Permit at the police station with jurisdiction over the city of residence. Information on how to apply for a residency permit is available on the U.S. Embassy website at <http://www.usemb-tirana.rpo.at>. There is also a departure fee of ten Euros, or the equivalent in any easily convertible currency, including U.S. dollars. For additional information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Albania at 2100 S St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/223-4942) or the nearest Honorary Consuls: LA (504/596-4229), MA (617/482-6262) or TX (281/345-9599).

**ALGERIA** - \*Passport and visa required. Obtain visa prior to arrival. Visa applications must be typed. Handwritten visa applications will not be accepted. Visa required for stays up to 90 days. Provide 2 application forms, 2 photos, and a non-refundable \$100 fee (money order or certified check). Tourist visas require an itinerary from an airline and a hotel reservation. Business visas require an invitation from the company being visited and a company letter stating the trip's purpose. Work visas require an employment authorization hand delivered by the Algerian Ministry of Labor. Family guest visit visas require a notarized invitation letter from host in Algeria. Enclose a SASE for return of passport by registered, certified or express mail. Visas valid for 45 days from date of issuance. For currency regulations and other information, contact the Consular Section of the Embassy of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, 2118

Kalorama Rd., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/265-2800). Internet: [www.algeria-us.org](http://www.algeria-us.org)

**ANDORRA** - (See France.) For more information, consult the Embassy of the Principality of Andorra to the United States, Two United Nations, 27th Floor, New York, NY 10017 (212/750-8064). Internet: [www.andorra.ad](http://www.andorra.ad)

**ANGOLA** - \*Passport, visa, and International Certificate of Vaccination required. Certificate must show inoculations against yellow fever. Failure to do so may result in involuntary vaccinations and/or fines. Tourist visas require 2 application forms, Passport with validity of six months remaining, 1 recent photo with name on back, letter stating purpose of travel, letter of invitation sent by the individual or institution to be contacted in Angola, photocopy of a roundtrip ticket or travel itinerary, proof of sufficient funds (\$100 per day – bank statement or letter from employer will suffice), and \$110 fee (certified check or money order only). Visa valid for stays up to 90 days. HIV test required for all foreigners applying for work visas and resident permits. The Consular Office of the Embassy of Angola has the right to request additional information, if necessary. For additional information, contact the Embassy of Angola, 2100 16th St., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/452-1042/3). Internet: [www.angola.org](http://www.angola.org)

**ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA** - Passport with minimum validity of six months or proof of U.S. citizenship such as certified birth certificate along with picture ID required. Return/onward ticket, and proof of funds required for tourist stay of up to 6 months. Visa requires completed application, two black and white photos (2 ½” x 2), \$30 visa fee (money order) required for single entry and \$35 for multiple entry. For information regarding vaccinations and health contact the Embassy of Antigua and Barbuda, 3216 New Mexico Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20016 (202/362-5122/5166/5211) for more information.

**ARGENTINA** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for business/tourist stay of up to 90 days. For information concerning longer stays, employment, or other types of visas contact the Consular Section of the Argentine Embassy, 1811 Q St., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/238-6460) or the nearest Consulate: CA (213/954-9155), FL (305/373-1889), GA (404/880-0805), IL (312/819-2610), NY (212/603-0400) or TX (713/871-8935). Internet: [www.embassyofargentina-usa.org](http://www.embassyofargentina-usa.org)

**ARMENIA** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa for stay of up to 21 days, requires 1 application form, 1 photo, and \$60 to \$95 processing fee (fees vary according to processing time). For stays longer than 21 days, but not exceeding 90 days, an official invitation from a qualifying entity in Armenia is required (\$35 to \$65 fee). No fee for children under 18 years of age. If applying by mail, enclose a SASE or prepaid air bill indicating type of mail service (i.e., Federal Express, etc.), and money order or certified check in the appropriate amount, payable to the Embassy of Armenia. For more information, contact the Consular Section of the Embassy of The Republic of Armenia, 2225 R St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/319-2983), or the Consulate General in Beverly Hills, CA (310/657-6102). Internet: [www.armeniaemb.org](http://www.armeniaemb.org)

**ARUBA** - Passport or proof of U.S. citizenship (original official birth or naturalization certificate and photo ID) required. Visa not required for tourist/business visit of up to 90 days. Proof of onward/return ticket or sufficient funds for stay may be required. Airport facility charge is \$32, paid upon departure. Fee is included in tickets purchased in the U.S. HIV test required for intending immigrants. For more information, consult the Royal Netherlands Embassy (202/244-5300), or nearest Consulate General: CA (310/266-1598), FL (786/866-0480), IL (312/856-0110) or NY (212/246-1429). Internet: [www.netherlands-embassy.org](http://www.netherlands-embassy.org)

**AUSTRALIA** - \*Passport, Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) or non-electronic label visa, proof of onward or return ticket, and sufficient funds are required. An ETA or non-electronic label visa is required for tourist or business stays of up to 3 months. An ETA is an electronically stored authority to travel to Australia and can be obtained online at [www.ETA.immi.gov.au](http://www.ETA.immi.gov.au) or through participating travel agencies or airlines. Minors not accompanied by a parent or traveling with only one parent need notarized written parental consent from the absent parent(s). HIV test required for permanent resident visa for applicants age 15 and older; tests taken in the U.S. are acceptable. More information about entry requirements to Australia (including for longer stays) is available on the Embassy of Australia's web site at <http://www.austemb.org>. Alternatively, visa inquiries may be directed to the Australian Visa Information Service on toll-free 1-888-990-8888.

**AUSTRIA** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist stay of up to 90 days. (\*\*The 90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). For stay of up to six months visa requires 1 completed application form, a valid passport, 1 recent photo, onward/return ticket proof of sufficient funds and a notarized letter of invitation. Proof of travel/health/ accident insurance also required. Visa with maximum validity of six months will be issued free of charge for U.S. citizens only. More information about entry requirements to Austria (including for longer stays) is available on the Embassy of Austria's web site at [www.austria.org/](http://www.austria.org/). For additional information, contact the Embassy of Austria, 3524 International Court NW, Washington, D.C. 20008, Tel: (202) 895-6711.

**AZERBAIJAN** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires original passport, 1 application form, 2 photos, confirmation from hotel or letter of invitation, and appropriate fee (\$20 to \$250, according to type and length of visa payable by money order or company check only). Transit and short stay single entry visas (7days) can be obtained at the visa section of the consular department in the airport upon arrival. All travelers staying more than 30 days must register their passports with the local passport-registration authorities. For additional information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Azerbaijan, 2741 34th St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/337-3500). Internet: [www.azembassy.com](http://www.azembassy.com)

**AZORES** - (See [Portugal.](#))

**BAHAMAS**- Proof of U.S. citizenship, i.e., a passport (if you are using an expired passport it cannot be expired more than 5 years) or original or certified copy of a birth certificate with a photo ID, and onward/return ticket required for stay of up to 8 months.

Proof of sufficient funds required. Passport and residence/work permit needed for residence and business. Permit required for firearms and to import pets. Departure tax of \$15 must be paid at airport. For more information, call Embassy of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas, 2220 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/319-2660) or nearest Consulate: Miami (305/373-6295) or New York (212/421-6420). Internet: [www.bahamas.gov.bs](http://www.bahamas.gov.bs).

**BAHRAIN** - \*Passport and visa required. Single-entry visa, valid for two weeks required a valid passport, 1 application and \$30 fee (money order only). Multi-entry tourist visa requires that the applicant submit a letter (for visa) or company letter on company letterhead (for business visa) guaranteeing full responsibility for all expenses, and stating a reason for visit and duration, 1 application form, and \$50 fee. Transit visa available upon arrival at the airport is valid from three days to two weeks and require onward/return ticket. All application forms for minors must include letter of consent from both parents and a photocopy of their passports. A single parent needs a legal document showing proof of legal guardian status. Locally performed HIV test required for resident permit. Send SASE for return of passport by mail. For departure tax and other information, contact the Consular Section of the Embassy of the Kingdom of Bahrain, 3502 International Drive, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/342-1111); or the Permanent Mission to the U.N., 866 Second Avenue, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10017 (212/223-6200). Internet: [www.bahrainembassy.org](http://www.bahrainembassy.org) or [www.immigration.gov.bh](http://www.immigration.gov.bh)

**BANGLADESH** - \*Passport, visa, and onward/return ticket required. Tourist/business visa requires 2 application forms, 3 photos (37mm x 37mm), and \$100 fee (bank draft or money order). Tourist visa should also attach travel itinerary. Business visa requires letter of justification/financial guarantee from the employer. Student visa requires financial guarantee certificate and letter from educational institution. For more information, consult the Embassy of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, 3510 International Drive, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/244-0183) or the Bangladesh Mission in New York at (212/867-3434). Internet: [www.bangladoot.org](http://www.bangladoot.org)

**BARBADOS** - \*Passport and proof of sufficient funds required. Passport must be valid beyond the duration of this visit to Barbados. Cruise passengers planning to disembark in Barbados must have a valid passport. [Tourist] visa not required for stays up to six months. Departure tax of \$12.50 (\$25 BDS) paid at the airport. Visa requires 2 completed visa application forms, 2 passport sized photos accompanied by a valid passport. A \$25 fee is required for single entry and \$30 for multiple entry (cash or money order only). Single-/Multiple-entry visas valid for 3 months. Business visa requires work permit and letter from host or company in Barbados. For more information, contact the Embassy of Barbados, 2144 Wyoming Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20008, telephone (202) 939-9200, fax (202) 332-7467, Internet e-mail: [barbados@oas.org](mailto:barbados@oas.org) or the consulates of Barbados in Los Angeles, Miami or New York.

**BELARUS** - \*Passport and visa required. Business visa requires 1 application form, 1 photo, and letter of invitation from a Belarusian organization, company or agency.

Visitor visa requires 1 application form, 1 photo, and original invitation from a Belarus citizen. Tourist visa (for stay of up to 30 days) requires 1 application form, 1 photo, and confirmation or voucher from travel agency in Belarus. Transit visa is required when traveling through Belarus. The visa processing fee for single-entry visas is \$100 for 5 working days, and \$180 for next day processing. The visa processing fee for single-entry tourist visa is \$50 for 5 business days, and \$90 for the next business day. Fees must be paid by money order or cashier's check only. If applying by mail, enclose SASE or prepaid air bill. For additional information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Belarus, 1619 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/986-1606), Consulate General, 708 3rd Ave., 21st Floor, New York, NY 10017 (212/682-5392). Internet: [www.belarusembassy.org](http://www.belarusembassy.org) or <http://www.belarusconsul.org>.

**BELGIUM** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for business/tourist stay of up to 90 days. (\*\*The 90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). Onward/return ticket and proof of sufficient funds required. Visa and temporary residence permit required for longer stays, study, or work. Visa requires valid passport, 1 application, letter of invitation, and proof of hotel reservation. Proof of travel/accident insurance required. Biometric visas are available at the Embassy of Belgium in Washington, D.C. People who apply for a visa at this location will receive a visa, which contains biometrics (along with your application, a picture and your fingerprints will be taken). Visa application fee is 45.50. You may not apply for a visa by mail at the Washington, DC embassy. For residence authorization, consult the Embassy of Belgium, 3330 Garfield St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/333-6900), or nearest Consulate General: Los Angeles (323/857-1244), Atlanta (404/659-2150), Chicago (312/263-6624), or New York (212/586-5110). Internet: [www.diplobel.us](http://www.diplobel.us)

**BELIZE** - \*Passport, return/onward ticket and sufficient funds (at least \$60 per night) required. Visa not required for stay of up to 30 days. If visit exceeds 1 month, obtain a stay permit from the Immigration Authorities in Belize. Single-entry visa, valid up to 90 days, requires \$50 (include \$10 for shipping payable by money order or bank draft). Visa requires 1 application form and 1 passport sized photo. HIV test required for those seeking residency; U.S. test accepted if within 3 months of visit. For more information, contact the Embassy of Belize, 2535 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/332-9636) or the Belize Mission in New York at (212/599-233). Internet: [www.embassyofbelize.org](http://www.embassyofbelize.org)

**BENIN** - \*Passport with minimum validity of six months and visa required. Visa for stay of up to 36 months, requires \$100 fee (certified check or money order only), 1 application form, 1 passport size photo, proof of yellow fever vaccination, proof of return/onward transportation, guarantee from employer, travel agency, or letter of guarantee from bank. Send SASE for return of passport by certified or express mail. Apply at Embassy of the Republic of Benin, 2124 Kalorama Road, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/232-6656/7/8).

**BERMUDA** - Passport (or proof of U.S. citizenship with photo ID) and onward/return ticket required for tourist stay of up to 3 months. Departure tax of \$10 is paid at airport.

For more information, consult the British Embassy (202/588-7800). Internet:  
<http://www.immigration.gov.bm>

**BHUTAN** - \*Passport and visa required. Independent travel is not permitted in Bhutan. Visitors are required to book travel through a registered tour operator in Bhutan. This may be done directly or through a travel agent abroad. Entry is available only via India, Bangladesh, Burma, Nepal, and Thailand. The border with China is closed. The minimum daily tariff is set by the Bhutanese Department of Tourism and cannot be negotiated. The rate includes all accommodations, all meals, transportation, services of licensed guides and porters, and cultural programs where and when available. For specific requirements, consult the Bhutan Mission to the U.N., 2 United Nations Plaza, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10017 (212/826-1919) or the Bhutan Travel Service, 120 E 56th St., Suite 1130, New York, NY 10022 (1-800/950-9908 or 212/838-6382).

**BOLIVIA** - \* Valid passport required for entry and departure. Visa not required for tourist stay of up to 30 days (can be extended up to 90 days upon application to the Bolivian immigration authorities). Visitors for other purposes must obtain a visa in advance. Tourist cards issued upon arrival in Bolivia. A "Defined Purpose Visa" for adoptions, business, or other travel requires 1 application form, 1 photo, and \$85 fee. Business travelers must include a company letter explaining purpose of trip. Send SASE for return of passport by mail. HIV test required for intending immigrants. For more information, contact the Consular Section of the Embassy of Bolivia, 1819 H St., NW, Suite 240, Washington, DC 20006 (202/232-4827/28), or the Consulate General 9100 S. Dadeland Blvd., Suite 406, One Darlon Center, Miami, FL 33156 (305/670-0709). Internet: [www.bolivia-usa.org](http://www.bolivia-usa.org)

**BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist stays of up to 3 months. All persons entering Bosnia and Herzegovina through an international airport are now required to submit a landing card. Landing cards are provided by airlines during the flight or upon arrival. All foreigners, except those staying at a hotel, must register with the local police within 48 hours of arrival. For more information, contact the Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina, 2109 E. Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20037, telephone 202-337-1500 or the Consulate General, 866 U.N. Plaza, Suite 580, New York, NY 10017 (212/593-0264). Internet: [www.Bhembassy.org](http://www.Bhembassy.org)

**BOTSWANA** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and proof of sufficient funds required. Visa not required for stays up to 90 days. For longer stays visa requires 2 application forms, valid passport (minimum of six months validity), two passport sized photos, and \$107 fee (money order). Include SASE for return of passport by mail. For more information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Botswana, 1531 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/244-4990) or nearest Honorary Consulate: Los Angeles (213/626-8484) or Houston (713/680-1155). Internet: [www.botswanaembassy.org](http://www.botswanaembassy.org)

**BRAZIL** - \*Passport with minimum validity of six months and visa required. Tourist visas are issued within two business days if applicant submits application in person.

Visas are valid for multiple entries within 5 years for a period to be determined by the consular officer, for stays of up to 90 days renewable for the same length of stay by the Brazilian Federal Police. First entry into Brazil must be within 90 days of visa issuance. Visa requires 1 application form, 1 passport size photo, and proof of onward/return transportation. Travelers who have recently visited certain countries, including most other Latin American countries (check with the Brazilian Embassy) may be required to present an inoculation card indicating they had a yellow fever immunization. Children ages 3 months to 6 years require an international polio vaccination certificate. Minors under the age of 18, if not traveling with both parents, must provide notarized letter of consent signed by the non-accompanying parent(s) or guardian authorizing the consulate to issue a visa. There is a processing fee of \$100 for tourists. Additional \$10 fee for applications sent by mail, or by anyone other than applicant. Provide SASE for return of passport by mail. For information about traveling with [Brazilian] minors or other types of visas, contact the Brazilian Embassy (Consular Section), 3009 Whitehaven St. NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/238-2828) or nearest Consulate: CA (323-651-2664 or 415-981-8170), FL (305-285-6200), IL (312-464-0244), MA (617-542-4000), NY (917-777-7777) or TX (713-961-3063). Internet: [www.brasilemb.org](http://www.brasilemb.org)

**BRUNEI DARUSSALAM** - \*Passport with minimum validity of six months and onward/return ticket required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. HIV test required for work permits; tests taken in the U.S. are not accepted. For more information, contact the Embassy of Brunei Darussalam, 3520 International Court, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/237-1838) or Brunei Darussalam Permanent Mission to the U.N., 711 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017 (212/697-3465). Internet: <http://www.bruneiembassy.org>

**BULGARIA** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for stays of up to 30 days. For persons staying over 30 days, obtain a visa in advance. All visitors must be able to, upon request, show proof of valid medical insurance covering the duration of their stay. For stays longer than 30 days visa requires valid passport (minimum of six months validity), 1 application form, 1 passport sized photo, and SASE. Visa is free of charge for U.S. citizens with regular passports; processing fee \$25. HIV test required for all intending immigrants and may be required for foreigners staying longer than 1 month for purposes of study or work; U.S. test is accepted. All travelers, except those staying in a private boarding house or hotel, etc., are required to register with the regional passport office or the police within 48 hours after their arrival in Bulgaria. For more information, contact the Consular Section of the Embassy of the Republic of Bulgaria, 1621 22nd St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/387-7969 or 387-0174), the Bulgarian Consulate in New York at (212/935-4646), the Consulate General of Bulgaria in Chicago at (312/867 1904), or Consulate General of Bulgaria in Los Angeles (310/478 6700). Internet: [www.bulgaria-embassy.org](http://www.bulgaria-embassy.org)

**BURKINA FASO** - \*Passport and visa required. Multiple entry visas, valid up to 3 months (\$75 fee) or 6 months (\$100 fee), require appropriate fee, 2 application forms, and 2 photos. Proof of compulsory yellow fever immunization needed and cholera vaccination recommended. For more information, call the Embassy of Burkina Faso,

2340 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/332-5577) or Honorary Consulate in Los Angeles, CA (213/575-5567) or New Orleans, LA (504/284-6351).

**BURMA (Myanmar)** - \*Passport and visa required. Single entry tourist visa (valid for 3 months), for stays up to 28 days, requires \$20 fee, 2 application forms, 3 photos, and itinerary. Tourist visas are issued for package or group tours as well as Foreign Independent Travelers. Enclose SASE for return of passport by express mail. Allow up to 5 working days for normal processing. Overland travel into and out of Myanmar is only permitted at certain points (check with Embassy). For business visas and additional information, contact the Embassy of the Union of Myanmar, 2300 S St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/332-3344, 4350 or 4352) or the Myanmar Consulate General Office, 10 East 77th St., New York, NY 10021 (212/744-1271/75/79). Internet: [www.mewashingtondc.com](http://www.mewashingtondc.com)

**BURUNDI** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires \$80 fee, 3 application forms, 3 photos, letter of invitation, proof of hotel reservation and onward/return ticket, or, for business travel, a letter from government/company. Proof of required yellow fever immunization and vaccination required. Send SASE for return of passport by certified or express mail. For more information, consult the Embassy of the Republic of Burundi, Suite 212, 2233 Wisconsin Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/342-2574) or Permanent Mission of Burundi to the U.N. (212/499-0001 thru 0006).

**CAMBODIA** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires 1 visa application, 1 current passport sized photo, passport with minimum validity of 3 months, \$20 consular fee for tourist visa; \$25 for business visa. Enclose SASE for return of your passport. Tourist visa valid 3 months from issue date; good for single entry duration of 30 days. Tourist visa may be extended for maximum period of 1 month. For specific requirements, consult the Royal Embassy of Cambodia, 4500 16th St., NW, Washington DC 20011 (202/726-7742). Internet: [www.embassy.org/cambodia](http://www.embassy.org/cambodia)

**CAMEROON** - \*Passport and visa required. Obtain visa before arrival. Visa requires passport with minimum validity of six months, two application forms and two passport-sized photos. Yellow fever and cholera immunizations are required. Onward/return tickets, and proof of sufficient funds also required. For business visa, verification letter from company required. Visa fee \$98 for up to 90 days, \$196 for up to 6 months, and \$294 for up to one year. For additional information, consult the Embassy of the Republic of Cameroon, 2349 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/265-8790 to 8794).

**CANADA** – Passport or proof of U.S. citizenship such as a birth certificate, naturalization certificate, and photo ID required. Minors (under 16) traveling alone or in someone else's custody must present written authorization, signed before a notary, from the parent(s) or guardian. Visas are not required. Canadian immigration officials at ports of entry will issue persons planning to stay longer than 180 days a visitor's record. Anyone with a criminal record (including a DWI charge) should contact the Canadian Embassy or nearest Consulate General before travel. U.S. citizens entering Canada from

a third country must have a valid passport. HIV testing required for resident applicants who are over 15. A temporary resident applicant requires immigration medical examination if stay exceeds 6 months or seeking to work in Canada. For student or business travel, check with the Canadian Embassy, 501 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001 (202/682-1740) or the nearest Consulate General: CA (213/346-2701), MI (313/567-2085), NY (212/596-1700 or 716/858-9501), or WA (206/443-1375). Internet: [www.canadianembassy.org](http://www.canadianembassy.org)

**CAPE VERDE** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires 1 completed application form, passport (minimum validity of 6 months) and 1 passport sized photo. Visa fee is \$20 for single-entry visa or \$40 for multiple-entry visa. For more information, consult the Embassy of the Republic of Cape Verde, 3415 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/965-6820) or Consulate General, 535 Boylston St., 2nd Floor, Boston, MA 02116 (617/353-0014). Internet: [www.virtualcapeverde.net](http://www.virtualcapeverde.net)

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** - (See [West Indies, British.](#))

**CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC** - \*Passport and visa required. Multiple entry visas require 2 application forms, valid passport, two recent photos, letter of confirmation from employer, \$150 fee, and onward/return ticket. Yellow fever immunization required. Medical report, including HIV test, required for study, residency, and work permits: U.S. test accepted. If applying by mail, enclose SASE for the return of your passport. For specific requirements, consult the Embassy of Central African Republic, 1618 22nd St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/483-7800/7801).

**CHAD** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires 3 application forms, 3 photos, letter from employer (business visa), and onward/return ticket (tourist visa). You must clearly indicate your date of departure from the U.S. to Chad. Visitors must check in with the National Police and obtain a registration stamp within 72 hours of arrival. Visa fee is \$100 for 1 month; \$150 for 3-month multiple entry; and \$200 for 6-month multiple entry. Fees payable by money order to the Embassy of Chad. For more information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Chad, 2002 R St., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/462-4009). Internet: [www.chadembassy.org](http://www.chadembassy.org)

**CHILE** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for stay of up to 90 days. Entry fee of \$100 (U.S.) charged at airport. For longer stays, visa requires passport (valid for term of visa), certificate of good health, police certificate, proof of sufficient funds, and 4 recent passport sized photos. Visa fee (student/ temporary resident/work) is \$100; Business and student visas valid 1 year and are renewable in Chile. Student visa requires enrollment certificate. Work visa requires contract approved by the Chilean Ministry of Foreign Affairs and letter of previous employers. Work visa valid 2 years and is renewable in Chile. **Exit Requirement:** Dependent children under age 18 (including the children of divorced parents) who are traveling alone, with one parent, or in someone else's custody, must present a notarized document certifying that both parents agree to their travel before the child will be allowed to exit Chile. This document must be notarized before a Chilean consular officer in the United States. For more information, consult the Embassy

of Chile, 1732 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/530-4106) or nearest Consulate General: CA (323/933-3697 and 415/982-7662), FL (305/373-8623), IL (312/654-8780), PA (215/829-9520), NY (212/980-3366), TX (713/621-5853) or PR (787/725-6365). Internet: [www.chile-usa.org](http://www.chile-usa.org)

**CHINA, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF** - \*Passport and visa required. Due to tightened visa policy, travelers may be required to undergo a personal interview. Transit visa required for any stop (even if you do not exit the plane or train) in China. Business travelers are required to obtain formal invitation from their Chinese business contact. Tourist visas are issued only after receipt of a confirmation letter from a Chinese tour agency or letter of invitation from a relative in China. Single-entry visa requires \$50 processing fee, double-entry visa fee \$75 (no personal checks). A multiple-entry visa requires \$100 for a 6-month visa, and \$150 for a 12-24 month visa. 1 tourist visa application form, and 1 photo required. Allow at least 4 business days for processing. Visa valid 90 days from date of issue. If applicant is HIV positive, entry not permitted for any purpose. For more detailed information, contact the Visa Section of the Chinese Embassy, 2201 Wisconsin Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/338-6688) or nearest Consulate General: Chicago (312/573-3070), Houston (713/521-9859), Los Angeles (213/807-8006), New York (212/868-2078) or San Francisco (415/674-2940). Internet: [www.china-embassy.org](http://www.china-embassy.org)

**COLOMBIA** - \*Passport and proof of onward/return ticket required for tourist stay of up to 180 days. Upon arrival the Colombian Immigration authority stamps a stay authorization, normally no longer than 90 days (extendible up to 180 days). Minors (under 18) who are traveling alone, with one parent, or with a third party, must present a copy of their birth certificate and written authorization from the absent parent(s) or legal guardian, specifically granting permission to travel accordingly. This document must be notarized before a Colombian consular officer in the United States. Visa must be obtained before arrival for persons planning to do business, temporary work (consultant), and study. Student, tourist, and visitor visa fee not required for U.S citizens; authorization for stay is stamped upon arrival by Colombian Immigration Authority and free of charge. Likewise, student visa is also free for U.S. citizens. Work visa fee is \$205. Processing time ranges from 48 hours to 2 weeks. For additional information, contact the Colombian Embassy, 2118 Leroy Place, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/387-8338) or nearest Consulate General: CA (323/653-4299 or 415/495-7195), FL (305/448-5558 or 441-0437), GA (404/255-3038 or 256-2518), IL (312/923-1196), LA (504/525-5580 or 5582), MA (617/536-6222), NY (212/949-9898), or TX (713/527-8919). Internet: [www.colombiaemb.org](http://www.colombiaemb.org)

**COMOROS ISLANDS** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. All travelers to Comoros are given a free, 24-hour transit visa upon entry. The following day, visitors are required to go to the immigration office in Moroni to change their visa status. A fee is charged, depending on length of stay. For specific requirements, consult the Federal and Islamic Republic of Comoros, 336 East 45th St., 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10017 (212/972-8010).

**CONGO, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE (Kinshasa)** - \*Passport and visa required. Evidence of yellow fever vaccination required for entry. Visas should be obtained from an Embassy of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (Congo-Kinshasa) prior to arrival. For specific requirements, consult the Embassy of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, 1800 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/234-7690/1) or Permanent Mission to the U.N., 747 Third Ave., New York, NY 10017.

**CONGO, REPUBLIC OF THE (Brazzaville)** - \*Passport and visa required. Evidence of yellow fever vaccination is required for entry. For specific requirements, consult the Embassy of the Republic of the Congo, 4891 Colorado Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20011 (202/726-5500).

**COOK ISLANDS** - \*Passport, proof of sufficient funds, and onward/return ticket required. Visa not needed for visit up to 31 days. For longer stays and additional information, contact the Consulate for the Cook Islands, Kamehameha Schools, #16, Kapalama Heights, Honolulu, HI 96817 (808/847-6377).

**COSTA RICA** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. For stays exceeding 90 days, apply for an extension within the first week of visit with the Costa Rican Immigration Department and, after 90 days, obtain an exit visa. For more information, contact the Consular Section of the Embassy of Costa Rica, 2112 S St. NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/328-6628) or the nearest Consulate General: CA (213/380-7915), GA (770/951-7025), FL (305/871-7487), IL (312/263-2772), LA (504/581-6800), NY (212/509-3066) or TX (713/266-0484). Internet: [costarica-embassy.org](http://costarica-embassy.org)

**CÔTE D'IVOIRE (Ivory Coast)** - \*Passport required. U.S. citizens traveling to Côte D'Ivoire for business or tourism do not require visas for stays of up to 90 days. For longer stays, you may enter without a visa, but then must apply for an extension ("visa de sejour" or "carte de sejour") within 90 days of arrival. "Visa de sejour" or "carte de sejour" are not issued to children under the age of 16; they are covered under their parents'. An international health certificate showing current yellow fever immunization is required for entry into Côte D'Ivoire. Without it, the traveler may have to be vaccinated at the airport health office before clearing immigration, costing about \$10 at this time. For specific requirements, consult the Embassy of the Republic of Côte D'Ivoire, 2424 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/797-0300) or Honorary Consulate: CA (415/391-0176).

**CROATIA** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. For stays over 90 days, a visa is required and should be obtained in advance. For additional information, consult the Embassy of Croatia, 2343 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/588-8933), or the nearest Consulate General in Chicago (312/482-9902), Los Angeles (310/477-1009) or New York (212/599-3066).  
Internet: [www.croatiaemb.org](http://www.croatiaemb.org)

**CUBA** - \*Passport and visa required. For specific requirements, consult the Cuban Interests Section, 2630 16th St., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/797-8518). HIV test required for those staying longer than 90 days. **Attention:** U.S. citizens need a U.S. Treasury Department license in order to engage in any transactions related to travel to and within Cuba (this includes the use of U.S. currency). Before planning any travel to Cuba, U.S. citizens should contact the Licensing Division, Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of Treasury, (202/622-2480) or on the Internet at [www.treas.gov/ofac](http://www.treas.gov/ofac)

**CURAÇAO** - (See [Netherlands Antilles](#).)

**CYPRUS** - \*Passport and round-trip ticket required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 3 months. For employment and other travel, work permit required and must be obtained in advance. HIV, hepatitis B, syphilis, and tuberculosis tests (part of a medical examination) required for work or study permits. For additional information, consult Embassy of the Republic of Cyprus, 2211 R St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/462-5772) or the Consulate General in New York (212/686-6016) or the nearest Honorary Consulate: AR (602/264-9701), CA (310/397-0771), GA (770/941-3760), IL (847/698-5500), LA (504/568-9300), MA (617/497-0219), MI (313/582-1411), NC (910/353-2115 ext. 1389), OR (503/248-0500), PA (215/728-6980), TX (713/465-2091), VA (757/481-3583), or WA (425/827-1700).

**CZECH REPUBLIC** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for business and tourist stay of up to 90 days. The requisite visas for employment and extended stays, should be obtained before travel. Must provide proof of sufficient funds and health insurance coverage. If not staying at hotel, motel, hostel, etc. registration at the local police station is required within 3 business days after arrival. For specific requirements, consult the Embassy of the Czech Republic, 3900 Spring of Freedom St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/274-9123) or the nearest Consulate General: Los Angeles, CA (310/473-0889) or New York, NY (212/717- 5643). Internet: [www.mzv.cz/washington](http://www.mzv.cz/washington)

**DENMARK (including GREENLAND)** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for a stay of up to 90 days. (\*\*90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). Passport must be valid for three months beyond the last day of your stay in the Schengen countries. For longer stays visa requires 1 application form, 1 supplementary information form, 2 recent photos, letter of invitation, proof of sufficient funds, proof of accommodation, onward/return ticket, and valid travel insurance. Minors must present written consent of the parent(s) or guardian(s) having custody of the child. Visa fee \$43; \$15 fee will be charged if passport is mailed back to you. Special rules apply for entry into the U.S.-operated defense area in Greenland. For additional information, contact the Royal Danish Embassy, 3200 Whitehaven St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/234-4300) or Consulate General, New York (212/223-4545). Internet: [www.denmark.org](http://www.denmark.org)

**DJIBOUTI** - \*Passport and visa required. Visas must be obtained prior to arrival. Proof of yellow fever immunization also required. For specific requirements, consult the Embassy of the Republic of Djibouti, 1156 15th St., NW, Suite 515, Washington, DC

20005 (202/331-0270) or the Djibouti Mission to the U.N., 866 United Nations Plaza, Suite 4011, New York, NY 10017 (212/753-3163).

**DOMINICA** - Valid passport is strongly recommended, but tourists may enter with proof of citizenship such as a certified birth certificate (with raised seal), naturalization certificate and photo ID. Onward/return ticket requires, confirmation of hotel reservation, and another form of picture ID required. Persons who choose to travel with documentation other than a passport may be refused boarding on connecting flights into the Commonwealth of Dominica or within the Caribbean. For more information, contact the Consulate of the Commonwealth of Dominica, 3216 New Mexico Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20016 (202/364-6781) or the Consulate of Commonwealth of Dominica at 800 Second Avenue, Suite 400H, New York, NY 10017 (202/599-8478).

**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** - Passport is strongly recommended, but tourists may enter with birth certificate and photo ID. A tourist card is required, and can be purchased for \$10 at consulate or Dominican airports at entry points. Tourist card permits a legal stay of up to 60 days. For longer stays an extension must be requested at the Migration Department in Santo Domingo. Minors, under 18 years of age, traveling alone, with only one parent, or a third party must present written authorization by the absent parent(s) or legal guardian. This authorization must be notarized at a Dominican Consulate. HIV test required for residence permit. U.S. test not accepted. For specific requirements, consult the Embassy of the Dominican Republic, 1715 22nd St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/332-6280) or nearest Consulate General: AL (334/342-5648), CA (510/864-7777), FL (305/375-9537 or 904/346-0909), HI (808/396-5702), GA (404/572-4814), IL (847/441-1831), LA (504/522-1843), MD (410/560-2101), MA (617/482-8121), MI (248/559-0684), MN (612/339-7566), NY (212/768-2480), PA (215/923-3006), PR (787/833-4756 or 725-9550), or TX (713/266-0165 or 512/224-1345). Internet: [www.domrep.org](http://www.domrep.org)

**EAST TIMOR** - \*Passport required. Upon arrival, visa will need to be obtained for a fee. Visa is valid for 30 days, renewable in 30-day increments with additional fee. No other information was available at the time this publication went to press. Internet: [www.usembassyjakarta.org/consular/dili.html](http://www.usembassyjakarta.org/consular/dili.html).

**ECUADOR(including the Galapagos Islands)** - \*Passport with minimum validity of six months required. Visa not required for a stay of up to 90 days. For more information, contact the Embassy of Ecuador, 2535 15th St., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/234-7166) or nearest Consulate General: CA (323/658-6020 or 415/957-5921/22), FL (305/539-8214/15), IL (312/329-0266), LA (504/523-3229), MA (617/738-9465/68), NJ (201/985-2959/60), NY (212/808-0211/12), or TX (713/572-8731).

**EGYPT** - \*Passport and visa required. Visas may be obtained upon entry from the Entry Visa Department at the Travel Documents, Immigration and Nationality Administration or most major ports of entry. Entry visa is required for any foreigner arriving in Egypt for purposes other than tourism (e.g. work, study). Tourist visas (single-/multiple-entry) are valid for 90 days. HIV test required for study and work permits. Dependents are no

longer exempt—spouses must also get tested, as well as any children aged 15 or older. Students are exempt from visa fees. For specific requirements, consult the Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt, 3521 International Court, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/895-5400) or the nearest Consulate General: CA (415/346-9700), IL (312/828-9162), NY (212/759-7120), or TX (713/961-4915). Internet: [www.mfa.gov](http://www.mfa.gov) or [www.egyptembassy.us](http://www.egyptembassy.us)

**EL SALVADOR** - \*Passport and single-entry tourist card are required. The tourist card may be obtained from immigration officials for a \$10 fee upon arrival in country. An exit tax of \$27.15 must be paid, either in Salvadoran colones or U.S. dollars. HIV test required for multiple-entry visas and residency permits; U.S. test not accepted. For more information, consult the Embassy of El Salvador, 1724 20<sup>th</sup> St NW, Suite 1007, 20036 (202/331-4032) or the nearest Consulate: CA (213/383-5776, 415/781-7924 or 714/542-3250), FL (305/371-8850), LA (504/522-4266), MA (617/577-9111), NY (212/889-3608) or TX (713/270-6239 or 214/637-1018). Internet: [www.elsalvador.org](http://www.elsalvador.org)

**ENGLAND** - (See [United Kingdom](#).)

**EQUATORIAL GUINEA** - \*Passport and yellow fever vaccination required. Visa not required for stay of up to 90 days. For longer stays, permit must be obtained from the National Police Bureau and you must show proof of sufficient funds. No visa fee required for U.S. citizens. Visa requires photocopy of valid U.S. passport (showing name, birth date, passport number and expiration date), 2 application forms, 2 passport photos, and proof of sufficient funds (at least \$2000). Business visa requires letter from employer explaining purpose of trip and a financial statement confirming minimum amount of \$2,000 to cover expenses of your stay. For more details, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, 2020 16<sup>th</sup> St., NW, Washington DC 20009 (202/518-5700).

**ERITREA** - \*Passport, proof of onward/return ticket, and visa required; visas are not available at the airport. Tourist visa requires 1 application, 1 photo, \$25 fee (no personal checks), and proof of sufficient funds. Business visa requires company letter stating purpose of travel. Exit visa not required as long as they do not stay beyond their visa expiration date. All long-term residents, regardless of their citizenship, must obtain an exit visa before departure. There is an airport departure tax. Allow 3 working days for processing. May be subject to HIV testing upon arrival. Include SASE for return of passport by mail. Exit tax must be paid before leaving Eritrea. For more information, contact the Embassy of Eritrea, 1708 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009, (202/319-1991).

**ESTONIA** - \*Passport required. Visas are not required for stays of up to 90 days. Longer stays require a residency permit. Visa requires 1 application form, passport (with minimum validity of 3 months), 1 recent color passport sized photo, valid health insurance policy, documentation confirming reason for visit, and proof of sufficient funds. Visa fee \$25 for single entry up to 30 days; \$44 single/multiple entry up to 90 days; \$31 multiple entry up to 30 days; \$61 for multiple entry visa valid for 1 year.

Receipt reflecting payment of visa fee is required to obtain visa. For more information, contact the Estonian Embassy, temporarily located at 1730 M St., NW, Suite 503, Washington, DC 20036, (202/588-0101) or the Consulate General of Estonia, 600 Third Ave., 26th Floor, New York, NY 10016 (212/883-0636). Internet: [www.nyc.estemb.org](http://www.nyc.estemb.org)

**ETHIOPIA** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires a valid passport, 1 recent color passport sized photo, and 3 application forms. Business visa requires letter from organization or company. Visa fee (business/tourist); \$70 for multiple-entry, valid for 2 years. Yellow fever immunization is recommended. Passengers in transit through Ethiopia holding confirmed onward bookings within 72 hours can obtain transit visas; \$40 fee (single entry). Upon arrival at airport, you must declare any foreign currency to customs authority. Exit visas are required of all visitors remaining in Ethiopia for more than 30 days. To get back to your passport, include SASE. For more information, contact the Embassy of Ethiopia, 3506 International Dr., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/364-1200). Internet: [www.ethiopianembassy.org](http://www.ethiopianembassy.org)

**FIJI** - \*Passport with minimum validity of 3 months remaining, proof of sufficient funds, and onward/return ticket required. Visa not required for stay of up to 4 months. All visitors over age 12 are required to pay a \$25 departure tax in Fijian currency. HIV testing required for stays exceeding 6 months. For more information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of the Fiji Islands, 2233 Wisconsin Ave., NW, #240, Washington, DC 20007 (202/337-8320). Internet: [www.fijiembassy.org](http://www.fijiembassy.org)

**FINLAND** - \*Passport required. Tourist/business visa not required for stay of up to 90 days. (\*\*The 90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). For longer stays (e.g., employment, studies) residence/work permits are required. Visa requires 1 application form, 1 passport sized photo, an invitation letter and proof of hotel reservation. Onward/return ticket and proof of sufficient funds also required. Visitors must also have valid travelers or medical insurance, which is valid during the whole stay. Visa processing fee of \$47; must be paid by cash, money order or certified check. Contact the Embassy of Finland, 3301 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/298-5800), or nearest Consulate General: Los Angeles (310/203-9903) or New York (212/750-4400). Internet: [www.finland.org](http://www.finland.org)

**FRANCE** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days in France, Andorra, Monaco, and Corsica, and 1 month in French Polynesia. (\*\*90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). Stays exceeding 90 days require a visa. Visa requires passport (3 months validity after departure), 4 long-stay visa applications, 5 recent passport sized photos, 3 copies proof of sufficient funds, proof of valid medical insurance, 3 copies police clearance (obtained from police department in U.S.), and letter certifying that no paid activity will occur. For more information, contact the Consulate General of France, 4101 Reservoir Rd., NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/944-6200) or the nearest Consulate: CA (310/235-3200) or (415/397-4330), FL (305/372-9799), GA (404/495-1660), IL (312/787-5359), LA (504/523-5772), MA (617/542-7374), NY (212/606-3644) or TX (713/572-2799). Internet: [www.info-france-usa.org](http://www.info-france-usa.org)

**FRENCH GUIANA** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. Stays exceeding 90 days require a visa. Visa requires passport (3 months validity after departure), 4 long-stay visa applications, 5 recent passport sized photos, proof of sufficient funds (3 copies), proof of valid medical insurance, 3 copies police clearance (obtained from police department in U.S.), and letter certifying that no paid activity will occur. For additional information, contact the Consulate General of France, 4101 Reservoir Rd., NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/944-6200). Internet: [www.info-france-usa.org](http://www.info-france-usa.org)

**FRENCH POLYNESIA** - (includes Society Islands, French Southern and Antarctic Lands, Tuamotu, Gambier, French Austral, Marquesas, Kerguelen, Crozet, New Caledonia, Tahiti, Wallis and Furtuna Islands.) \*Passport required. Visa not required for visit, of up to 1 month. However, or stays between 1 and 3 months, visa is required. Visa requires 1 application for short stay visa, valid passport and photocopy, onward/return ticket, proof of accommodation, proof of valid health/accident insurance and 1 copy proof of sufficient funds (last 2 bank statements and 1 copy), and appropriate fee. Business travelers require a letter from employer guaranteeing travel expenses. Minors traveling alone must have notarized parental authorization signed by both parents or by non-accompanying parent. For additional information, contact the Consulate General of France (202/944-6200). Internet: [www.info-france-usa.org](http://www.info-france-usa.org)

**GABON**- \*Passport and visa required. For a stay of up to 4 months, submit 2 application forms, 2 photos, vaccination certificate for yellow fever, a letter from sponsor or hotel in Gabon, and pay a \$100 fee. Business visas also require a company letter. For more information call the Embassy of the Gabonese Republic, 2034 20th St., Washington, DC 20009 (202/797-1000 or 1021) or the Permanent Mission of the Gabonese Republic to the UN, 18 East 41st St., 6th Floor, New York, NY 10017 (212/686-9720).

**GALAPAGOS ISLANDS** - (See [Ecuador](#).)

**GAMBIA, THE** - \*Passport, visa, and proof of yellow fever vaccination required. To obtain a tourist/business visa for a stay of up to 1 year, submit a valid passport, 1 application, 2 photos, and pay a \$75 fee (money order only). For a business visa, include a company letter stating purpose of visit and itinerary. Allow at least 2 weeks for processing. Include prepaid envelope for return of passport by mail. Apply at the Embassy of the Gambia, 1155 15th St., NW, Suite 905, Washington, DC 20005 (202/785-1399) or at the Permanent Mission of The Gambia to the UN, 820 2nd Ave., 9th floor, New York, NY 10017 (212/949-6640). Internet: [www.gambiaembassy.us](http://www.gambiaembassy.us).

**GEORGIA** - \*A passport is required. U.S. citizens visiting for ninety days or less do not need a visa to enter Georgia. Armenian and Azerbaijani visas are no longer valid for transit through Georgia. For further information, please contact the Embassy of Georgia at 1101 15th Street, Suite 602, NW, Washington DC, 20005, tel. (202) 387-2390, fax: (202) 393-4537. Internet: [www.georgiaemb.org](http://www.georgiaemb.org)

**GERMANY** - \*Passport required (must not expire before end of trip). Tourist/business visa not required for stay of up to 90 days. (The\*\*90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries.) For longer stays, obtain temporary residence permit upon arrival. Applicants for residence permits staying over 90 days may be asked to undergo a medical examination. Every foreign national entering Germany is required to provide proof of sufficient health insurance and funds. For more information, contact the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, 4645 Reservoir Rd., NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/298-4393) or nearest Consulate General: CA (323/930-2703/09 or 415/775-1061), FL (305/358-0290/91), GA (404/659-4760), IL (312/580-1199), MA (617/536-4414), NY (212/610-9700) or TX (713/627-7770). Internet: [www.germany-info.org](http://www.germany-info.org)

**GHANA** - \*Passport and visa required. Proof of yellow fever vaccination required. Tourist visa required for stay of up to 30 days (extendible). Visa requires 4 application forms, 4 recent photos (taken not more 3 months before date of application), proof of sufficient funds, onward/return ticket, and appropriate fee (single-entry \$50; multiple-entry \$80). For additional information, contact the Embassy of Ghana, 3512 International Drive, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/686-4520) or Consulate General, 19 East 47th St., New York, NY 10017 (212/832-1300). Internet: [www.ghana-embassy.org](http://www.ghana-embassy.org)

**GIBRALTAR** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist stay of up to 90 days. For more information, consult the British Embassy (202/588-7800). Internet: [www.britainusa.com](http://www.britainusa.com)

**GILBERT ISLANDS** - (See [Kiribati](#).)

**GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND** - (See [United Kingdom](#).)

**GREECE** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. (\*\*The 90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). Travelers will need a visa for longer stays. Submit a passport with minimum validity of 3 months, bank and credit card statements for the last 3 months, W-2 forms for the last 2 years, official itinerary and proof of hotel reservation, proof of health insurance, and reference letter from employer. For additional information, contact the consular section of the Embassy of Greece, 2211 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Washington D.C. 20008 (202-939-1333) or nearest Greek Consulate: CA (310/826-5555 OR 415/775-2102/4) GA (404/261-3313), IL (312/335-3915 or 17), LA (504/523-1167), MA (617/523-0100), NY (212/988-5500) or (713/840-7522). Internet: [www.greekembassy.org](http://www.greekembassy.org)

**GREENLAND** - (See [Denmark](#).)

**GRENADA** - Passport is recommended, but tourists may enter with birth certificate, photo ID, and onward/return ticket. Visa not required for tourist stay of up to 3 months, may be extended to maximum of 6 months. For longer stays, visa requires a valid passport, 2 passport sized photos, and \$50 fee. Permit required prior to arrival for those who wish to work in Grenada or purchase land. If applying for visa by mail, please

include \$7 for the return of your passport. For additional information, contact the Consulate General of Grenada, 1701 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/265-2561) or Permanent Mission of Grenada to the U.N. (212/599-0301). Internet: [www.grenadaembassyusa.org](http://www.grenadaembassyusa.org)

**GUADELOUPE** - (See [West Indies, French.](#))

**GUATEMALA** - \*Passport required for a stay of up to 90 days. For longer stays, visa requires an application form, a valid passport, one passport sized photo, and appropriate fee (\$25 for tourist visa and \$50 for a business visa). For travel by minors and general information, contact the Embassy of Guatemala, 2220 R St., NW, Washington, DC 20008-4081 (202/745-4952), or the nearest Consulate: CA (213/365-9251 or 415/788-5651), FL (305/443-4828), IL (312/332-3170), NY (212/686-3837) or TX (713/953-9531) Internet: [www.guatemala-embassy.org](http://www.guatemala-embassy.org)

**GUIANA, FRENCH** - (See [French Guiana.](#))

**GUINEA** - \*Passport and visa required. Tourist/business visa for a stay of up to 6 months requires 3 application forms, 3 photos, onward/return ticket, letter-of-purpose, International Vaccination record showing current yellow fever vaccination, and \$100 fee (cash or money order only). Provide SASE for return of passport by mail. For more information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Guinea, 2112 Leroy Pl., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/986-4300).

**GUINEA-BISSAU** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and visa required. Visa must be obtained in advance. The Embassy of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau is closed. Those needing visas should call Guinea-Bissau's representative in the U.S. (301/947-3958).

**GUYANA** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. Upon arrival, visa granted for 30-day stay. Extensions may be obtained. For longer stays, visa requires 3 application forms, passport with a minimum of 6 months validity, and 3 passport sized photos. Proof of sufficient funds requires. If planning to work in Guyana a letter of approval must be obtained from the Ministry of Home Affairs. Visa fee is \$30 for tourist visa, \$40 single-entry business visa, \$50 multiple entry business visa (valid 3 months), and \$75 multiple-entry business visa (valid 1 year). For additional information, consult the Embassy of Guyana for additional requirements, 2490 Tracy Pl., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/265-6900/03) or Consulate General, 370 7th Avenue, Room 402, NY 10001 (212/947-5110/5111). Internet: [www.guyana.org](http://www.guyana.org) or [www.guyanaca.com](http://www.guyanaca.com)

**HAITI** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/ business stay of up to 90 days, and compulsory for longer stays. Visas are available at port of entry. Submit 2 photos, proof of citizenship, onward/return ticket, and pay a \$25 fee. For additional information, consult the Embassy of Haiti, 2311 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/332-4090) or the nearest Consulate: FL (305/859-2003), MA (617/266-3660), NY (212/697-9767), PR (809/764-1392), or IL (312/922-4004). Internet: [www.haiti.org](http://www.haiti.org)

**HOLY SEE, VATICAN CITY STATE** - \*Passport required for entry into Italy. (See entry requirements under “ITALY”). For additional information, consult: Apostolic Nunciature, 3339 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/333-7121).

**HONDURAS** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. Visa not required for a stay of up to 90 days; holders of U.S. passports are issued a 30-day permit, which can be renewed every 30 days for up to a maximum 90-day stay. Departure tax US \$30. For additional information, contact the Consular Section of the Embassy of Honduras, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 1528 K St., NW, Washington, DC 20006 (202/737-2972/78), or the nearest Consulate General: CA (213/383-9244 and 415/392-0076), FL (305/447-8927), IL (773/342-8281), LA (504/522-3118), NY (212/269-3611) or TX (713/622-7911). Internet: <http://www.hondurasemb.org>

**HONG KONG, SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION** - \*Passport and onward/return transportation by sea/air required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. Confirmed hotel and flight reservations recommended during peak travel months. Visa required for work or study. Visa fee \$30 and liaison fee \$20. For other types of travel, consult the Visa Section of the Embassy of the People’s Republic of China, 2300 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, DC (202/328-2500). Internet: [www.china-embassy.org](http://www.china-embassy.org)

**HUNGARY** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and proof of sufficient funds required. Visa not required for stay of up to 90 days. HIV test required for persons staying longer than 1 year. For longer stays and employment, visas must be obtained before you travel. Submit a passport with minimum validity of six months, signed visa application form, 1 passport photo, and pay a \$60-\$90 fee, depending on visa type. Proof of means of transportation, lodging arrangement, and financial means is also required. For more information, check with the Embassy of the Republic of Hungary, 3910 Shoemaker St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/362-6730), or the nearest Consulate General: New York (212/752-0661) or Los Angeles (310/473-9344). Internet: [www.hungaryemb.org](http://www.hungaryemb.org)

**ICELAND** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for stay of up to 90 days. (\*\*90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). For additional information, call the Embassy of Iceland, 1156 15th St., NW, Suite 1200, Washington, DC 20005 (202/265-6653-5), or the Consulate General in New York (212/593-2700). Internet: [www.iceland.org/us](http://www.iceland.org/us) or [www.utl.is](http://www.utl.is)

**INDIA** - \*Passport and visa required. Tourist visas require 1 application form, 2 photos, proof of sufficient funds, onward/return ticket, and \$150 fee. Visa must be obtained before arrival. Include prepaid envelope for return of passport by certified mail. HIV test required for all students and anyone over 18 staying 1 year or more; U.S. test from well-known lab accepted. For information about business visas and other requirements, consult the Embassy of India, 2536 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/939-9806/9899) or the nearest Consulate General: Chicago (312/595-0405), Houston (713-626-2355), New York (212/774-0600) or San Francisco (415/668-0683). Internet: [www.indianembassy.org](http://www.indianembassy.org)

**INDONESIA** - \*Passport visa required. Visa requires passport with minimum of six months validity, 2 application forms, 2 recent photos, 3 copies of applicant's itinerary, certificate of good conduct and 2 copies of a letter of intent. Business stays requires 3 copies of work agreement and employee certificate. Proof of vaccination required. For more information, consult the Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia, 2020 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/775-5200) or the nearest Consulate General: CA (213/383-5126 or 415/474-9571), IL (312/595-1777), NY (212/879-0600) or TX (713/785-1691). Internet: [www.embassyofindonesia.org](http://www.embassyofindonesia.org)

**IRAN, ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF** - \*Passport and visa required. The United States does not maintain diplomatic or consular relations with Iran. For visa information, contact the Embassy of Pakistan, Iranian Interests Section, 2209 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/965-4990). Internet: [www.daftar.org](http://www.daftar.org). **Attention:** U.S. citizens may need a U.S. Treasury Department license in order to engage in any transactions related to travel to and within Iran. Before planning any travel to Iran, U.S. citizens should contact the Licensing Division, Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of Treasury, (202/622-2480) or [www.treas.gov/ofac](http://www.treas.gov/ofac). Authorities may confiscate U.S. passports of U.S.-Iranian dual nationals upon arrival. Therefore, the Department of State suggests leaving U.S. passports at the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate overseas prior to entering Iran and to use an Iranian passport to enter.

**IRAQ** – The Iraqi government is currently reviewing entry requirements. Iraq requires HIV test results for residency/exit permits. For the most current information, consult the Embassy of Iraq, 1801 P. Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/483-7500). The Embassy of Iraq is open only for limited consular services and cannot issue travel documents at the time this publication went to press. Internet: [www.iraqiembassy.org](http://www.iraqiembassy.org)

**IRELAND** - \*Passport required. Tourists are not required to obtain visas for stays less than 90 days, but may be asked to show onward/return ticket. For longer stays or to work or study in Ireland, permission must be obtained from the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform within the first 90 days of arrival. Submit 1 application form, a completed alien registration form, a valid passport, 4 passport photos, proof of sufficient funds. Students and persons who plan to work in Ireland require additional information. For additional information, consult the Embassy of Ireland, 2234 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/462-3939) or the nearest Consulate General: CA (415/392-4214), IL (312/337-1868), MA (617/267-9330) or NY (212/319-2555). Internet: [www.irelandemb.org](http://www.irelandemb.org)

**ISRAEL** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and proof of sufficient funds required. Visa not required for tourist or business stay of up to 90 days. Notarized consent from parent(s) required for children traveling alone, with one parent, or in someone else's custody. Ministry of Interior reserves the right to deny entry to aliens claiming to be HIV positive. HIV testing required for foreign workers. Consult the Consular Section of the Embassy of Israel, 3514 International Dr., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/364-5527) or the nearest Consulate General: CA (415/844-7500), FL (305/925-9400), GA (404/487-

6500), IL (312/297-4800), MA (617/535-0200), NY (212/499-5400), PA (215/546-5556) or TX (713/627-3780). Internet: [www.israelemb.org](http://www.israelemb.org)

**ITALY** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist or business stays up to 90 days. (\*\*90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). Within eight days upon arrival, visitors are required to register with local police and obtain a permit to stay, regardless of length of visit. Proof of sufficient financial support may be required. For stays longer than 90 days, employment, or study, a visa is required and must be obtained in advance. For additional information, consult the Embassy of Italy, 1601 Fuller St., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/328-5500) or nearest Consulate General: CA (310/820-0622 or 415/931-4924), FL (305/374-6322), TX (713/850-7520/1), IL (312/467-1550/1), MA (617/542-0483/4), MI (313/963-8560), NY (212/737-9100), PA (215/592-7329) or TX (713/850-7520). Internet: [www.italyemb.org](http://www.italyemb.org)

**IVORY COAST** - (See Côte D'Ivoire.)

**JAMAICA** - Passport or original birth or naturalization certificate and valid driver's license or state-issued photo ID, onward or return ticket, and proof of sufficient funds required. If traveler is younger than 18 years, an ID card, such as a school ID will be accepted. For business or study, a visa must be obtained in advance for \$100. Departure tax \$17 (sometimes included in airline ticket, otherwise, paid at airport). Check information with Embassy of Jamaica, 1520 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/452-0660) or the nearest Consulate in New York (212/935-9000) or Miami (305/374-8431). Internet: [www.congenjamaica-ny.org](http://www.congenjamaica-ny.org)

**JAPAN** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. Visa not required for tourist/commercial business stay of up to 90 days. Americans cannot work on a 90-day "visa-free" entry. For student/work visa requirements or more specific information, consult the Embassy of Japan, 2520 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/238-6800) or the nearest Consulate General: AK (907/762-8424), CA (213/617-6700 or 415/777-3533), CO (303/5341151), FL (305/530-9090), GA (404/240-4300), Guam (671/646-1290), HI (808/543-3111), IL (312/280-0400), LA (504/529-2101), MA (617/973-9772), MI (313/567-0120), MO (816/471-0111), NY (212/371-8222), OR (503/221-1811), Commonwealth of the North Mariana Islands (670/323-7201), TX (713/652-2977) or WA (206/682-9107). Internet: [www.us.emb-japan.go.jp](http://www.us.emb-japan.go.jp)

**JORDAN** - \*Passport and visa required. Visitors may obtain a visa, for a fee, at most international ports of entry upon arrival except at the King Hussein/Allenby Bridge. HIV testing required for stays exceeding 6 months. For additional information, travelers may contact the Embassy of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, 3504 International Drive, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20008, telephone (202) 966-2664, or nearest the Consulate General: CA (415/546-1155), MI (248-/557-4377), NY (212/832-0119), or TX (713/224-2911). Internet: [www.jordanembassyus.org](http://www.jordanembassyus.org)

**KAZAKHSTAN** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and visa required. Submit 1 application form, written request indicating purpose of trip, a valid passport with a

minimum of 60 days validity (no photocopies accepted), 1 passport sized photo, and appropriate fee (payable by money order). Business and student visas require additional documentation. All visitors who plan to stay more than 30 days must also present to the Office of Visas and Registration (OVIR) within 30 days of arrival a certificate indicating a negative HIV test conducted no more than 1 month before registration. Foreigners, staying more than 5 days, must register with the local OVIR office within that same time period. For additional information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 1401 16th St., NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/232-5488) or their Consulate, 866 UN Plaza, Suite 586 A, New York, NY 10017 (212/888-3024). Internet: [www.kazakhembus.com](http://www.kazakhembus.com)

**KENYA** - \*Passport, visa, and onward/return ticket required. Visas should be obtained in advance. Airport visas are available for those traveling from a country where there is no Kenyan Embassy/High Commission. Travelers who opt to obtain an airport visa should expect delays upon arrival. Evidence of yellow fever immunization may be requested. Tourist visas require 1 application form, 2 photos, onward/return ticket, and \$50 fee (money order or cashier's check only). Multiple-entry visas require payment of a \$100 fee (money order or cashier's check only). Expedited visa service is available for an additional \$10. Airport departure tax is \$40. For additional information, consult the Embassy of Kenya, 2249 R St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/387-6101). Internet: [www.kenyaembassy.com](http://www.kenyaembassy.com)

**KIRIBATI (formerly Gilbert Islands)** - \*Passport (with minimum validity of six months), onward/return ticket, proof of sufficient funds, and visa required. Visa requires 1 application form and a visa fee of \$25 for a single-entry visa or \$40 for a multiple-entry visa. For more information, contact the Consulate of the Republic of Kiribati, 95 Nakolo Place, Room 265, Honolulu, HI 96819 (808/834-7604).

**KOREA, DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF (North Korea)** - \*Passport and visa required. The United States currently does not maintain diplomatic or consular relations with North Korea. For visa information, contact the Permanent Representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the United Nations, 820 Second Ave., New York, New York 10017 (212/972-3105). **Attention:** U.S. citizens may need a U.S. Treasury Department license in order to engage in any transactions related to travel to and within North Korea. Before planning any travel to North Korea, U.S. citizens should contact the Licensing Division, Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury, (202/622-2480) or [www.treas.gov/ofac](http://www.treas.gov/ofac). U.S. Citizens without a valid U.S. passport and visa may be arrested, fined, or denied entry. As most travelers enter from China, travelers may need to obtain a two-entry visa for China. The visa is essential for departing from North Korea at the end of a visit or in an emergency.

**KOREA, REPUBLIC OF (South Korea)** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. A visa is not required for a tourist stay of up to 30 days. For longer stays and other types of travel, obtain a visa in advance for \$45. HIV test required for persons working as entertainers and staying longer than 90 days; U.S. tests results accepted. For more information, check with the Consular Section of the Embassy of the Republic of

Korea, 2320 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/939-5663 or 60) or nearest Consulate General: CA (213/385-9300 and 415/921-2251/3), GA (404/522-1611/3), Guam (671/472-6488), HI (808/595-6109), IL (312/822-9485), MA (617/641-2830), NY (212/674-6000), TX (713/961-0186) or WA (206/441-1011/4). Internet: [www.koreaembassyusa.org](http://www.koreaembassyusa.org)

**KUWAIT** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa issued at port of entry. Entry visas for U.S. citizens are valid for ten (10) years from date of issue for a maximum stay of one month. Submit 2 copies of the visa application, passport with a minimum of 3 months validity, 2 passport photographs, and \$24 fee. To get a business visa, submit a letter from the firm requesting the visa in addition to the general requirements. To get a work visa, submit a letter of appointment from Kuwait, an official work permit issued by the General Department of Immigration Affairs in Kuwait, a police clearance certificate (from your local police station), a complete physical examination for contagious or disabling diseases (including HIV, Viral Hepatitis B, and Viral Hepatitis C) U.S. test results accepted, and pay a \$44 entry visa fee. If tested positive for any disabling disease, entry is denied or foreign national may face deportation. For further information, contact the Embassy of the State of Kuwait, 2940 Tilden St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/966-0702) or Consulate, 321 East 44th St., New York, NY 10017 (212/973-4318).

**KYRGYZ REPUBLIC (informally known as Kyrgyzstan)** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires 1 application form, passport, 1 photo, detailed letter of invitation, and pay the appropriate fee (\$25-\$200). Visa and processing fees vary, depending upon duration of stay and processing time requested. Include SASE for return of passport by mail (or proper fee for express mail service). For additional information and fees, contact the Embassy of the Kyrgyz Republic, 1732 Wisconsin Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/338-5143). Internet: [www.kyrgyzstan.org](http://www.kyrgyzstan.org)

**LAOS** - \*Passport with minimum of six months validity and visa required. Pay the \$35 fee and \$15 service charge (payable by money order or certified check only), and submit 2 application forms, 3 recent photos, onward/return ticket, and sufficient funds. Tourist visas can be obtained upon arrival at certain entry points or before departure from the Lao Embassy. Visa available for a stay of up to 15 days, extendable. For business visas and more information, check with the Consular Section of the Embassy of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, 2222 S St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/667-0076). Internet: [www.laoembassy.com](http://www.laoembassy.com)

**LATVIA** - \*Passport with minimum validity of 3 months required. Visa not required for a stay of up to 90 days. For longer stays, visa requires 1 application form (minors' application forms must be signed by one parent). Written consent of the parent/guardian having custody of the child must be included. To work, study, or live in Latvia a temporary work permit must be obtained. A residence permit must be requested through the embassy. Valid health insurance policy (policy should cover all costs relating to medical care during stay) required for all visitors. For specific requirements, contact the Embassy of Latvia, 4325 17th St., NW, Washington, DC 20011 (202/726-8213). Internet: [www.latvia-usa.org](http://www.latvia-usa.org)

**LEBANON** - \*Passport and visa required. U.S. citizens staying no longer than 1 month (extendable up to 3 months) can obtain their visa upon arrival in Lebanon after paying the \$35 fee. For longer stays, visa must be obtained in advance from the Lebanese Embassy or Consulate. Visa requires 1 application form, 2 passport sized photos, a valid passport, photocopies of passport pages containing the full name, photo, passport number, issue date, and expiration date. For minors, a parental consent form from both parents is required. Fee for single-entry visa is \$35 and \$70 for a multiple-entry visa. Fee must be paid by money order payable to the Embassy of Lebanon. Business visa requires company letter stating purpose of travel. HIV test required for those seeking residence permits; U.S. test is accepted. Minors need authorization from both parents (a notarized parental consent form/letter) to enter Lebanon. Note: All visa applicants holding an Israeli visa on their passport, at the time of applying for visa or arrival in Lebanon will **not** be granted a visa and/or be admitted to Lebanon without the prior approval of the Lebanese Immigration Authorities. For further information, contact the Embassy of Lebanon, 2560 28th St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/939-6300) or nearest Consulate General: Los Angeles (323/467-1253), Detroit (313/567-0233), or New York (212/744-7905). Internet: [www.lebanonembassyus.org](http://www.lebanonembassyus.org)

**LEEWARD ISLANDS** - (See Virgin Islands, British.)

**LESOTHO** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and proof of sufficient funds required. Visa not required for a stay of up to 30 days. For more information, check with the Embassy of the Kingdom of Lesotho, 2511 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/797-5533).

**LIBERIA** - \*Passport, visa, and evidence of a yellow fever vaccination required. Travelers must obtain visas before arrival. There is a \$100 (U.S.) airport tax on departing passengers. Visa requires 2 application forms, 1 valid passport, 2 passport photos, proof of sufficient funds, letter of request, and proof of place of accommodation. Visa fees: \$100, single entry valid 1-3 months; \$200, multiple entry valid 1 year; \$300, multiple entry valid 2 years; \$400, multiple entry valid 3 years. Obtain exit permit from immigration authorities upon arrival, 1 photo required. For specific requirements, call the Embassy of the Republic of Liberia, 5201 16th St., NW, Washington, DC 20011 (202/723-0437). Internet: [www.embassyofliberia.org](http://www.embassyofliberia.org)

**LIBYA** - \*Passport and visa required. Restrictions on the use of a U.S. passport for travel to, in, or through Libya have been lifted as of February 2004. At this time, neither Libya nor the U.S. provides visa services in each other's countries; U.S. visitors to Libya should therefore plan to obtain a visa via a third country. Visa applications and inquiries may be made through the Libyan Mission to the United Nations in New York, (202/752-5775). Within 3 days of arrival, visitors must register at the police station nearest where they will be residing. **Attention:** U.S. citizens need a U.S. Treasury Department license in order to engage in any transactions related to travel to and within Libya. Before planning any travel to Libya, U.S. citizens should contact the Licensing Division, Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of Treasury, (202/622-2480) or [www.treas.gov/ofac](http://www.treas.gov/ofac)

**LIECHTENSTEIN** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. For further information, contact the Embassy of the Principality of Liechtenstein, 1300 Eye St., NW Suite 550W, Washington, DC 20005 (202/215-0460) or the Embassy of Switzerland, 2900 Cathedral Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/745-7900) or the nearest Swiss Consulate General: CA (310/575-1145 or 415/788-2272), GA (404/870-2000), IL (312/915-0061), NY (212/599-5700), or TX (713/650-0000). Internet: [www.swissemb.org](http://www.swissemb.org) or [www.weisungen.bfm.admin.ch/einreise/visumvorschriften\\_e.asp](http://www.weisungen.bfm.admin.ch/einreise/visumvorschriften_e.asp)

**LITHUANIA** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. For longer stays, (e.g. employment, research, study, training) obtain temporary residence permit before arrival (processing time of the application for the first temporary residence permit is up to 6 months). Visitors may be subject to HIV testing to obtain residence permit (U.S. results accepted). All visitors to Lithuania must have a valid health insurance policy or contract that covers all health expenses during their stay. For further information, contact the Embassy of Lithuania, 2622 16th St., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/234-5860) or the nearest Consulate General: New York, 420 Fifth Ave., New York, NY 10018 (212/354-7849) or Chicago, 211 East Ontario St., Suite 1500, Chicago, IL (312/397-0382). Internet: [www.litembassy.org](http://www.litembassy.org)

**LUXEMBOURG** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. (\*\*90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). For additional information, contact the Embassy of Luxembourg, 2200 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/265-4171) or the nearest Consulate: San Francisco (415/788-0816) or New York (212/888-6664).

**MACAU, SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION** - \*Passport required (valid for 6 months beyond the intended period of stay). Visa not required for visits of up to 30 days. For further information, consult the Visa Section of the Chinese Embassy, 2201 Wisconsin Ave., NW, Room 110, Washington, DC 20007 (202/338-6688) or the nearest Chinese Consulate General: Chicago (312/803-0098), Houston (713/524-4311), Los Angeles (213/807-8018), New York (212/330-7409) or San Francisco (415/563-4857), or the Macau Tourist Information Bureau, Suite 2R, 77 Seventh Ave., New York, N.Y. 10011, (212/206-6828). Internet: [www.china-embassy.org/eng/](http://www.china-embassy.org/eng/)

**MACEDONIA** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. For more information, check with the Embassy of the Republic of Macedonia, 1101 30th St., NW, Suite 302, Washington, DC 20007 (202/337-3063) or the Consulate General, 866 United Nations Plaza, Suite 4018, New York, NY 10017 (212/317-1727).

**MADAGASCAR, REPUBLIC OF** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa allows entry to Madagascar within 6 months from the date of issuance. Short-term visas valid for single entry up to 90 days, \$33.45; or multiple entries, \$39.01 (cash, certified checks, or money orders payable to Embassy of Madagascar only). Requires 1 application form, 1 photo, proof of onward/return transportation, and sufficient funds for stay. For tourist/business visa, submit the general requirements and include a recommendation from the travel

agency or the company. Include a prepaid envelope for return of passport by registered mail. For additional information, contact the Embassy of Madagascar, 2374 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/265-5525/6) or the nearest Consulate: PA (610/640-7832) or CA (858/792-6999). Internet: <http://www.embassy.org/madagascar>

**MALAWI** - \*Passport required. U.S. passport holders do not require a visa to enter Malawi. Thirty-day visa, which can be extended up to an additional 60 days, issued at point of entry. For longer stays, visa requires 2 application forms, 2 passport sized photos, passport with minimum of six months validity, travel itinerary, and an invitation letter. Visa fees (payable by money order or company checks): \$70 single entry valid for 6 months; \$110 multiple entry valid for 6 months; \$150 multiple entry valid for 12 months. Transit visa is \$50. There is a \$30 airport departure tax (payable only in U.S. dollars). For further information, contact the Embassy of Malawi, 2408 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/721-0274) or Malawi Mission to the U.N., 600 3rd Ave., New York, NY 10016 (212/949-0180).

**MALAYSIA** - \*Passport required (minimum 6 months validity remaining). Visa not required for stay of up to 3 months, extendable for 2 months. Medical exam required for work permits. U.S. test sometimes accepted. Foreign workers must undergo full medical checkup (HIV, hepatitis, DRL, drug abuse, and pregnancy) within one month of arrival and on a yearly basis. For additional information, consult the Embassy of Malaysia, 3516 International Court, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/328-2700) or nearest Consulate: Los Angeles (213/892-1238) or New York (212/490-2722). Internet: [www.kln.gov.my](http://www.kln.gov.my)

**MALDIVES** - \* A valid passport, along with an onward/return ticket, proof of hotel reservations and sufficient funds, is required for entry. Tourist visa issued upon arrival for 30 days validity, no charge (for stays longer than 30 days, you must apply at the immigration office in Maldives). The Department of Immigration and Emigration routinely approves requests for extension of stays up to 90 days for travelers who present evidence of sufficient funds and who stay in a resort or hotel or present a letter from a local sponsor. Anyone staying over 60 days without proper authorization faces heavy fines and deportation. All visitors departing the Republic of the Maldives (except diplomats and certain exempted travelers) must pay an airport departure tax. Travelers need a yellow fever immunization if they are arriving from an infected area. Check with the Maldives Mission to the U.N. in New York (212/599-6195) for further information.

**MALI** - \*Passport and visa required. Obtain visa in advance. Tourist/business single-entry visa for stay of up to 3 months, extendable after arrival, requires \$100 fee (cash or money order), 2 application forms, 2 photos, proof of onward/return transportation, proof of yellow fever vaccination, and the actual passport. For business travel, must have company letter stating purpose of trip. Send SASE for return of passport if applying by mail and/or appropriate express mail fees. Apply at the Embassy of the Republic of Mali, 2130 R St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/332-2249). Internet: <http://www.maliembassy.us/>

**MALTA** - \*Passport with minimum validity of six months required. Visa not required for stay of up to 90 days (extension must be applied for prior to end of 90-day period or expiration of original visa while in Malta), except for the residents of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Residents of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands need a visa. Visa requires 1 application form, 2 photos, proof of onward/return ticket, and \$40 fee (check or money order). Transit visa available for \$30 fee (fees are non-refundable). For additional information, consult the Embassy of Malta, 2017 Conn. Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/462-3611/2) or nearest Consulate: CA (415/468-4321), MI (313/525-9777), MO (816/833-0033), MN (612/228-0935), NY (212/725-2345), PA (610/664-7475), or TX (713/428-7800 or 214/777-4463).

**MARSHALL ISLANDS, REPUBLIC OF THE** - Passport, sufficient funds for stay, and onward/return ticket required for stay of up to 30 days (extendible up to 90 days from date of entry). Departure fee \$15. Health certificate required if arriving from infected areas. HIV test may be required for visits over 30 days, U.S. test accepted. Check information with the Embassy of the Marshall Islands, 2433 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/234-5414) or Permanent Mission to the U.N., 220 East 42nd St., New York, NY 10017 (212/983-3040) or the Consulate General in Hawaii (808/545-7767). Internet: [www.rmiembassyus.org](http://www.rmiembassyus.org)

**MARTINIQUE** - (See [West Indies, French.](#))

**MAURITANIA** - \*Passport, visa, and proof of yellow fever vaccination required. Visa requires a valid passport, 2 signed completed application forms, 2 passport sized photographs. Tourist visa requires onward/return ticket and proof of sufficient funds. Visa fee \$60 valid 3 months; \$75 valid for 6 months (payable by money order or certified check only). For specific information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Mauritania, 2129 Leroy Pl., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/232-5700). Internet: [www.ambarim-dc.org](http://www.ambarim-dc.org)

**MAURITIUS** - \*Passport, sufficient funds for stay, confirmation from hotel, and onward/return ticket required. Visas are issued at ports of entry. For further information, consult the Embassy of Mauritius, Suite 441, 4301 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/244-1491/2) or an Honorary Consulate: CA (310/557-2009 and 415/693-9233) or AZ (602/434-4307).

**MAYOTTE ISLAND** - (See France.)

**MEXICO** - \*Passport, or proof of citizenship (such as original birth certificate or naturalization certificate) and photo ID. Tourist card is required. Tourist card valid 3 months for single entry up to 180 days, \$20 fee, requires proof of U.S. citizenship, photo ID, and proof of sufficient funds. Visa not required of U.S. citizens for tourist/transit stay of up to 30 days. Obtain tourist cards in advance from Consulate, Tourism Office, and most airlines serving Mexico upon arrival. Departure tax \$10 is paid at airport when not included in the cost of the airline ticket. Notarized consent from parent(s) required for children under age 18 traveling alone, with one parent, or in someone else's custody. For

additional information, check with the Embassy of Mexico, 1911 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20006 (202/736-1000) or nearest Consulate General: AZ (602/242-7398), CA (213/351-6800, 415/392-5554 and 619/231-8414), CO (303/331-1110), FL (305/716-4977), GA (404/266-1913), IL (312/855-1380), LA (504/522-3596), NY (212/217-6400), PR (809/764-0258) or TX (210/227-1085, 214/630-7341, 713/542-2300, 512/478-9031 and 915/533-4082). Internet: <http://www.embassyofmexico.org/>

**MICRONESIA, FEDERATED STATES OF (Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei, and Yap)** – Passport (must be valid for at least 120 days beyond the date of departure), birth certificate or FSM entry permit. Sufficient funds and onward/return ticket required. Stays exceeding 30 days require an entry permit, extendible (up to 1 year from date of entry) after arrival in Micronesia; obtain forms from airline. Upon arrival without a valid entry permit, fill out and submit an FSM Immigration Arrival and Departure Record. Departure fee for Chuuk, Kosrae, and Pohnpei is \$10 (U.S.), and \$5 (U.S.) for Yap. Health certificate may be required if traveling from infected area. HIV test required if staying over 90 days; U.S. test is accepted. For further information, contact the Embassy of the Federated States of Micronesia, 1725 N St., NW, Washington, DC 20038 (202/223-4383) or the nearest Consulate: Hawaii (808/836-4775) or Guam (671/646-9154). Internet: [www.visit-fsm.org](http://www.visit-fsm.org)

**MIQUELON ISLAND** - Passport required. Visa not required for stay of up to 1 month, and compulsory for stays between 1 and 3 months. Visa requires 1 application for short stay visa, valid passport and photocopy, onward/return ticket, proof of accommodation, proof of valid health/accident insurance and 1 copy, proof of sufficient funds (last 2 bank statements and 1 copy), and appropriate fee. Business travelers require a letter from employer guaranteeing travel expenses. Minors traveling alone must have notarized parental authorization signed by both parents or by non-accompanying parent. For further information, consult the Embassy of France (202/944-6000). Internet: [www.infofrance-usa.org](http://www.infofrance-usa.org)

**MOLDOVA** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires 1 application form, passport with a minimum of six months validity, 1 photo (1.5" x 2.0"), and processing fee. Visa fees: single-entry visa, \$40; multiple-entry \$50 to \$200 (depending upon number of visits); transit visa, single entry \$20; double entry \$40. There is an additional \$5 visa application fee that must be paid separately. All fees must be paid with company checks or money orders only. No visa fee for children under age 16. HIV test required for persons staying over 90 days; U.S. tests results sometimes accepted. For additional information consult the Embassy of the Republic of Moldova, 2101 S St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/667-1130). Internet: [www.moldova.org](http://www.moldova.org)

**MONACO** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for visit up to 90 days. For stays exceeding 90 days or to establish residence, a settlement visa is required. For further information, contact the Consulate General of Monaco at 565 5th Ave., New York, NY 10017 (212/759-5227). Internet: <http://www.monaco-consulate.com>

**MONGOLIA** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for private business and tourist stays of less than 90 days. Tourist and business travelers may be asked to show letter of invitation or a letter from a Mongolian company, and onward/return ticket. Obtain the approval of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs if applying for a multiple-entry visa or planning to stay for more than 90 days. Visitors planning to stay in Mongolia for more than 1 month are required to register with the Immigration, Naturalization and Foreign Citizens Agency within 7 days of arrival. American visitors who fail to register and stay longer than 30 days may be stopped at departure, denied exit, and fined. For additional information, contact the Embassy of Mongolia, 2833 M St., NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/333-7117 or the UN Mission of Mongolia, 6 East 77th St., New York, NY 10021 (212/861-9460). Internet: [www.mongolianembassy.us](http://www.mongolianembassy.us)

**MONTENEGRO** - Passport required. Visa not required for stays of up to 90 days. To get a visa for longer stays, submit a valid passport, 1 completed application form, invitation letter, onward/return ticket, proof of sufficient funds, proof of valid health insurance/coverage and pay the \$45 processing fee. Include SASE if applying by mail. For more information, contact the Embassy of Serbia and Montenegro, 2134 Kalorama Road, N.W., Washington, DC 20008 (202/332-0333 ext. 103) or the Consulate General of Serbia and Montenegro, 201 East Ohio St., Suite 200, Chicago, Illinois 60611 (312/670-6707 ext. 108). Internet: [www.yuembusa.org](http://www.yuembusa.org).

**MONTSERRAT** - (See [West Indies, British](#))

**MOROCCO** - \*Valid passport required. Visa not required for stays up to 3 months. For visits of more than 90 days, apply for an extension (with a valid reason for the extension of stay). Travelers who plan to reside in Morocco must obtain a residence permit. A residence permit may be requested and obtained from immigration authorities at the central police station of the district of residence. For additional information, consult the Embassy of Morocco, 1821 Jefferson Pl., NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/462-7727) or Consulate General in New York (212/758-2625).

**MOZAMBIQUE** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa must be obtained in advance or tourist visa can be obtained in some borders in Mozambique. Multiple-entry visas valid 3 months from date of issuance, and single- and double-entry visas valid for 2 months. General visa requirements: 1 application form, 2 photos, a letter (from company or individual) giving detailed itinerary and address of where visitor will be staying, and payment of corresponding fees (\$20 single entry, \$40 double- or multiple-entry) as well as processing fee for 2 weeks or an additional \$20 fee for 3-day service and additional \$50 fee for same-day service. For more information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Mozambique, Suite 570, 1990 M St., NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/293-7146). For the residents of New York, please apply at the Mozambique Consulate at 420 East 50th St., New York, NY 10022 (212/644-5965).

**MYANMAR** (see Burma.)

**NAMIBIA** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and proof of sufficient funds required. Visa not required for tourist stay of up to 90 days. Business visa requirements: 1 application, 2 photos, letter from company stating nature of visit, and payment of \$50 fee. Visa processing time is 2 business days. Person planning to work (this includes unpaid volunteers) in Namibia must obtain work and residency permits and/or visas from the Embassy of Namibia before traveling. Consult the Embassy of Namibia, 1605 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/986-0540) for further information.

**NAURU** - \*Passport, visa, onward/return ticket, and proof of hotel reservation or sponsorship from a resident in Nauru required. Visas are issued for a maximum of thirty days. Travelers transiting with valid ticket for an onward destination do not require a visa, provided that the first connecting flight departs within three days of arrival in Nauru. Business visitors must have a visa and a local sponsor. Nauru collects a departure tax that must be paid in cash and in Australian dollars. For more information, contact the Nauru Consulate General in Melbourne, Australia (613/9653-5709).

**NEPAL** - \*Passport (minimum validity of six months) and visa required, extendable. Tourist visas can be purchased upon arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport in Kathmandu and at all other ports of entry. If you applying for the first time within the current year, visa fee is \$30 for 30 days (single entry) and \$80 for 60 days (multiple entries). Visa fee not required for children less than 10 years old. For additional information, contact the Royal Nepalese Embassy, 2131 Leroy Pl., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/667-4550), or Consulate General in New York (212/370-3988). Internet: [www.nepalembassyusa.org](http://www.nepalembassyusa.org)

**NETHERLANDS** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/business visit of up to 90 days. (\*\*90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). Tourists may be asked to show onward/return ticket, proof of sufficient funds and health insurance coverage, and that there is adequate housing available for length of stay. Long-term visitors must register with the local police within 8 days of arrival. No residency permits granted. For further information, contact the Royal Netherlands Embassy, 4200 Linnean Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/244-5300) or nearest Consulate General: CA (310/268-1598), FL (786/866-0480), IL (312/856-0110) or NY (212/246-1429). Internet: [www.netherlands-embassy.org](http://www.netherlands-embassy.org)

**NETHERLANDS ANTILLES** - Islands include Bonaire, Curaçao, Saba, St. Eustatius and St. Maarten. Passport or proof of U.S. citizenship (i.e., certified birth certificate or voter registration card with photo ID) required. Visa not required for tourist/business visit of up to 90 days. Tourists may be asked to show onward/return ticket or proof of sufficient funds for stay. Length of stay is granted for two weeks and may be extended for 90 days by the head office of immigration. Departure tax \$20 when leaving Bonaire, \$22.50 in Curaçao, \$25 in Statia, \$25 in St. Maarten. For further information, consult the Royal Netherlands Embassy (202/244-5300), or nearest Consulate General: CA (310/2681598), FL (786/866-0480), IL (312/856-0110) or NY (212/246-1429). Internet: [www.netherlands-embassy.org](http://www.netherlands-embassy.org)

**NEW CALEDONIA** - (See French Polynesia.)

**NEW ZEALAND** - \*Passport and arrival card (to be completed upon arrival) required. Visa not required for tourist or business meeting or consultations stay of up to 3 months, must have onward/return ticket, visa for next destination and proof of sufficient funds. Visa requires 1 visa application, 1 recent passport photo, proof of sufficient funds, and onward/return ticket. For additional information, contact the Embassy of New Zealand, 37 Observatory Circle, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/328-4800) or the Consulate General in Los Angeles (310/566-6555). Internet: <http://www.nzembassy.com/usa>

**NICARAGUA** - \*Valid passport, onward/return ticket, proof of sufficient funds and entry fee required for a stay of up to 30 days. A visa is not required for U.S. citizens; however, a tourist card must be purchased (\$5) upon arrival. Tourist cards are typically issued for 30 to 90 days. Visitors remaining more than the authorized time must obtain an extension from Nicaraguan Immigration. A valid entry stamp is required to exit Nicaragua. Airport departure tax \$32. For more information, travelers may contact the Consulate of Nicaragua, 1627 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/939-6531 or 32) or the nearest Consulate in CA (213/252-1170 or 415/765-6821), FL (305/220-6900), LA (504/523-1507), NY (212/983-1981), or TX (713/272-9628).

**NIGER** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa must be used within 3 months of issuance. All visa types require passport with minimum validity of 6 months, 3 application forms, 3 photos, and \$35.58 (1-month stay) or \$88.94 (up to 3 months' stay) fee. International vaccination certificate for yellow fever mandatory, and cholera vaccination is recommended. Transit visas not required for travelers continuing through Niger who do not leave airport. For a tourist visa, the general requirements apply as well as proof of onward/return transportation, and 1 copy of bank statement certifying the traveler has at least \$500 in his/her bank account. For business visas, general requirements apply, plus 1 copy of a letter from the company that is being represented stating the purpose, activities, duration, and source of financial responsibility for the trip. Provide SASE or prepaid air bill for return of documents. For further information and fees, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Niger, 2204 R St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/483-4224). Internet: [www.nigerembassyusa.org](http://www.nigerembassyusa.org)

**NIGERIA** - \*Passport (with minimum 6 months validity) and visa required. Visa requires 1 application and valid passport, 1 photo, proof of onward/return transportation, \$100 fee (single entry) or \$200 (multiple entry), and letter of invitation. Visa fee payable by money order only. To obtain visas for children, parents must submit copies of birth certificate confirming the names of both parents. Tourists must submit copies of hotel reservations. Business visa requires additional \$50 fee and letter from counterpart in Nigeria and letter of introduction from a U.S. company. For more information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Nigeria, 3519 International Court, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/822-1500 or 1522) or the Consulate General in New York (212/808-0301). Internet: [www.nigeriaembassyusa.org](http://www.nigeriaembassyusa.org)

**NIUE** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and confirmed hotel accommodations required. Visa not required for stay of up to 30 days. For more information, consult the Embassy of New Zealand (202/328-4800).

**NORFOLK ISLAND** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa issued upon arrival for visit of up to 30 days, extendible, requires confirmed accommodations and onward/return ticket. Obtain \$27 business visa before arrival. Australian transit visa may also be obtained in advance for travel to Norfolk Island. For both visas, consult the Australian Embassy (202/797-3000). Internet addresses: [www.austemb.org](http://www.austemb.org) or [www.pitcairners.org](http://www.pitcairners.org)

**NORWAY** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for stay of up to 90 days. (\*\*90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). Visa requires 1 application form with passport, 1 passport photo, an invitation from Norwegian reference, and a guarantee form from your reference. Visitor visa fee \$45 (payable in cash or money order). If visa is applied for by mail, the signature on application form must be notarized; return postage \$20. No pets. For further information, contact the Royal Norwegian Embassy, 2720 34th St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/333-6000) or nearest Consulate General: CA (415/986-0766 to 68), MN (612/332-3338), NY (212/421-7333), or TX (713/521-2900). Internet: [www.norway.org](http://www.norway.org)

**OMAN** - \*Passport (must be valid for not less than 6 months) and visa required. Proof of sufficient funds and proof of an onward/return ticket, though not required, are strongly recommended. A \$60 fee is required for a tourist/business multiple-entry visa issued for a stay of up to 6 months and valid for 2 years, while a \$36 fee is required for a single-entry visa. Both types of visas are payable in cash, cashier's check, or money order, and require submission of 1 application form and a SASE for return of passport by mail. Proof of yellow fever immunization required if entering from infected area. HIV test required for work permits. U.S. test not accepted. Allow 1-3 days for processing. For transit and road travel, check with the Embassy of the Sultanate of Oman, 2535 Belmont Rd., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/387-1980, 1981 or 1982).

**PAKISTAN**- \*Passport and visa required. Obtain visa before arrival. Tourist visa requires 1 application form, 2 photos, and proof of onward/return transportation. Validity depends on length of visit, multiple entries, and payment of \$120 fee. Business visa requires company letter, invitation, and payment of \$180 fee. Include prepaid envelope for return of passport by registered mail. For applications and inquiries in Washington area, contact the Consular Section of the Embassy of Pakistan, 3517 International Court, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/243-6500), or CA (310/441-5114), or NY (212/879-5800), IL (312/781-1831), TX (281/890-8528). Internet: [www.embassyofpakistan.org](http://www.embassyofpakistan.org).

**PALAU, THE REPUBLIC OF** - Passport or proof of U.S. citizenship with photo ID, and onward/return ticket required. Visa not required for visit of up to 30 days, and compulsory for longer stays. Foreign workers must obtain work permit issued at airport or immigration office, requires \$50 fee for stays of up to 30 days. Obtain visa forms for entry permit from airline or shipping agent serving Palau. Visitors staying longer than 6 months must show local proof of HIV testing. For further information, consult with

Representative Office, 1150 18th St., NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20036 (202/452-6814). Internet: [www.palauembassy.com](http://www.palauembassy.com).

**PANAMA** - \*Passport or proof of U.S. citizenship and photo ID, tourist card or visa, proof of sufficient funds, and onward/return ticket required. Minors up to 12 years old can travel with their original birth certificates. Visa and tourist card valid 30 days. Visa issued at Embassy of Panama or one of the Consulates. Tourist card is available for \$5 from the airline serving Panama. Stay can be extended up to 90 days; apply at the main office of Immigration and Naturalization in Panama. Visa requires 1 application form and 1 photo. Allow 1 working day for processing. Departure tax of \$20 must be paid at the airport. HIV test required for persons adjusting visa status while in Panama. For additional information regarding travel other than via a commercial airline, contact the Embassy of Panama, 2862 McGill Terrace, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/483-1407) or the nearest Consulate: NY (212/840-2450) or PA (215/574-2994).

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA** - \*Passport, visa, onward/return ticket and proof of sufficient funds required. Tourist and business visas for a stay of up to 60 days (extendable) require 1 application form, 1 photo, letter of invitation, and payment of a \$25 fee (personal check or cash not accepted). Business visas also requires letter of invitation from sponsoring company, bio-data, recent annual report of parent company. Please provide SASE or prepaid air bill for return of documents. For further information, contact the Embassy of Papua New Guinea, #805, 1779 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/745-3680) or the nearest Honorary Consulate: Los Angeles, CA (760-731-0436) or Houston, TX (713/966-2500). Internet: [www.pngembassy.org](http://www.pngembassy.org)

**PARAGUAY** - \*Passport and visa are required. Visa requires 2 visa application forms, passport with minimum validity of 6 months, 2 recent passport sized photos, 2 copies of onward/return ticket, 2 copies of bank statement or proof of sufficient funds, and appropriate fee. Business visa requires 2 letters from employer or sponsoring company. Visa fee of \$45 single entry and \$65 multiple entry payable by cash or money order. HIV testing required for residency. For more information, travelers may contact the Paraguayan Embassy at 2400 Massachusetts Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. 20008, telephone (202/483-6960). Internet: [www.embaparusa.gov.py](http://www.embaparusa.gov.py)

**PERU** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist stay of up to 90 days, extendible after arrival. Tourists need onward /return ticket. Business visa requires 1 application form, 1 passport photo, company letter and fee of \$30 payable by money order or cash only. For further information, contact Consulate General of Peru in Washington DC, 1625 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Suite 605, Washington DC 20036 (202-4621081/4/5) or the nearest Consulate General: CA (415/362-5185), CO (303/355-8555), CT (860/548-0266), MA (617/338-2227), or NJ (973/278-3324). Internet: [www.consuladoperu.com](http://www.consuladoperu.com) or [www.peruvianembassy.us](http://www.peruvianembassy.us)

**PHILIPPINES** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. For entry through all international ports of entry, visa not required for transit/tourist stay of up to 21 days. A visa is required for longer stays and business. Visas require 1 application form, 1 photo,

onward/return ticket, and \$30 fee for single entry and \$60 or \$90 fee for multiple entries. Proof of sufficient funds and company letter needed for business visa. A Passenger Service Charge of Php550 (US\$11) must be paid in Philippine pesos when departing the country from international airports. For more information, contact the Embassy of the Philippines, 1600 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/467-9300/9324/9363) or the nearest Consulate General: CA (213/639-0980 to 85 and 415/433-6666 or 69), GU (671/646-4620/30), HI (808/595-6316), NY (212/764-1330 or 34), or Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (670/234- 1848). Internet: [www.philippineembassy-usa.org](http://www.philippineembassy-usa.org)

**POLAND** - \*Passport and proof of sufficient funds required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. Visitors must register at a hotel or with local authorities within 48 hours after arrival. For longer stays or more information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Poland (Consular Division), 2224 Wyoming Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/234-3800) or the nearest Consulate General: Chicago, IL, 1530 North Lakeshore Dr., 60610 (312/337-8166), Los Angeles, CA, 12400 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 555, 90025 (310/442-8500), or New York, NY, 233 Madison Ave., 10016 (646/237-2100). Internet: [www.polandembassy.org](http://www.polandembassy.org)

**PORTUGAL** - (Includes travel to the Azores and Madeira Islands.) \*Passport required. Visa not required for visit up to 90 days. (\*\*90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). For travel with pets and other information, consult the Embassy of Portugal, 2310 Tracy Place, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/332-3007) or the nearest Consulate: CA (415/346-3400), MA (617/536-8740 and 508/997-6151), NJ (973/643-4200), NY (212/221-3165), or RI (401/272-2003). Internet: [www.portugalemb.org](http://www.portugalemb.org)

**QATAR** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires 1 application form, 2 color passport sized photos, letter of invitation, and \$100 application fee. Please provide a SASE for return of passport by mail. HIV test required for persons seeking residency permits and visitors staying longer than 1 month; U.S. tests results not accepted. For specific information, contact the Embassy of the State of Qatar, Suite 200, 4200 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20016 (202/274-1603).

**REUNION** - (See France.)

**ROMANIA** - \*Passport required and must be valid for up to six months after trip to Romania is completed. Visa not required for a stay of up to 90 days. For stays exceeding 90 days, obtain visa in advance. Visas must be approved by the Romanian Authority of Foreigners within the Ministry of Interior and Administration. Single-entry visa \$40, multiple entry visa \$75. For more information, contact the Embassy of Romania, 1607 23rd St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/232-3694 or 4851) or the nearest Consulate General: New York (212/682-9120) and Los Angeles (310/444-0043). Internet: [www.roembus.org](http://www.roembus.org)

**RUSSIA** - \*Passport and visa required. Tourist visa, valid for 30 days, requires 1 application form, 1 photo, confirmation and voucher from travel agency and/or hotel in

Russia, cover letter from travel agency, and processing fee. Business visa requires 1 application, 1 photo, cover letter from your company, and letter of an official invitation from an authorized Russian counterpart and visa-processing fee. Single-entry visa for business/tourist visas are \$100 for no less than 6 days, \$150 for no less than 3 working days, \$200 for next business day, and \$300 for same-day processing fees. Multiple-entry business visa (needs confirmation through the Russian MFA) processing fee \$100 for no less than 6 days, \$200 for no less than 3 working days, \$250 for next business day, and \$350 for same-day processing fees. Fees must be paid by money order or cashier's check only. Provide SASE for return of passport by mail. HIV test certificate required for anyone staying over 3 months. For additional information, contact the Consular Section of the Embassy of Russia, 2641 Tunlaw Road, NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/939-8907 or 8918) or the nearest Consulate General: NY (212/348-0926, 0955, 0626), CA (415/928-6878), or WA (206/728-1910). Internet: [www.russianembassy.org](http://www.russianembassy.org)

**RWANDA** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for a stay of up to 90 days and compulsory for longer stays. For longer stays visa requires 2 application forms, 2 passport sized photos, valid passport, and appropriate fee. Business visa requires letter from employer, company or organization. Yellow fever immunization required. Visa fee \$60 single entry and \$90 multiple entry. Departure tax is \$20. If applying by mail please include SASE. For more information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Rwanda, 1714 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/232-2882), or the Permanent Mission of Rwanda to the UN, 124 East 39th St., New York, NY 10016 (212/696-0644/45/46), or the nearest Consulate General in Chicago (708/205-1188), or Denver (303/321-2400).

**SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS** - Passport or proof of U.S. citizenship, photo ID, and onward/return ticket required for stay of up to 3 months. HIV test required for persons seeking residency/study/work permits; U.S. test results sometimes accepted. For further information, consult the Embassy of St. Kitts and Nevis, 3216 New Mexico Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20016 (202/686-2636) or Permanent Mission to the UN, 414 East 75th St., Fifth Floor, New York, NY 10021 (212/535-1234). Internet: [www.stkittsnevis.org](http://www.stkittsnevis.org)

**SAINT LUCIA** - Passport, or proof of U.S. Citizenship, photo ID and return/onward ticket required for a stay of up to six months. For additional information, contact the Embassy of Saint Lucia, 3216 New Mexico Ave., Washington, DC 20016 (202/364-6792) or Permanent Mission to the UN, 820 Second Ave., 9th Floor, New York, NY 10017 (212/697-9360).

**ST. MARTIN (ST. MAARTEN\*)** - (See [West Indies](#), [French](#) or [Netherlands Antilles\\*](#).)

**ST. PIERRE** - Passport required. Visa not required for stay of up to 1 month and compulsory for stays between 1 and 3 months. Visa requires 1 application for short stay visa, valid passport and photocopy, onward/return ticket, proof of accommodation, proof of valid health/accident insurance and 1 copy, proof of sufficient funds (last 2 bank statements and 1 copy), and appropriate fee. Business travelers require a letter from employer guaranteeing travel expenses. Minors traveling alone must have notarized

parental authorization signed by both parents or by non-accompanying parent. For further information, consult the Embassy of France (202/944-6200). Internet: [www.info-france-usa.org](http://www.info-france-usa.org)

**SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES** - Proof of U.S. citizenship, a certified U.S. birth certificate, ID photo, and onward/return ticket and/or proof of sufficient funds required for tourist stay of up to 6 months. HIV test required for persons seeking residency permits; U.S. tests results accepted. Expired U.S. passports will not be accepted. Travelers must pay a departure tax when leaving the country. For more information, consult the Embassy of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, 3216 New Mexico Ave., Washington, DC 20016 (202/364-6730) or Consulate, 801 Second Ave., 21st Floor, New York, NY 10017 (212/687-4490).

**SAMOA** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. Visa not required for stay of up to 60 days. Departure tax is \$30. Anyone applying for work, study or staying more than 12 months must submit a medical report (may include HIV testing). For more information, contact the Independent State of Samoa Embassy, 820 2nd Ave., Suite 800, New York, NY (212/599-6196) or the Honorary Consul in Hawaii (808/677-7197).

**SAN MARINO** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist stay of up to 90 days. For additional information, contact the nearest Honorary Consulate of the Republic of San Marino: Washington, DC (1899 L St., NW, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20036, 202/223-3517), Detroit (313/528-1190), or New York (516/242-2212).

**SÃO TOMÉ AND PRÍNCIPE** - \*Passport, visa, and evidence of yellow fever vaccination are required for entry. Visas must be obtained in advance. Tourist visa fees cost \$60 for single entry up to 3 months and \$70 for multiple entry up to 6 months, while business visa fees cost \$80 for single entry up to 3 months, and \$90 for multiple entry up to 6 months. Both types of visas require 1 application form, 1 photo, and letter stating purpose of travel. Fees are to be paid by money order only. Company letter is required for a business visa. Enclose prepaid envelope or postage for return of passport by FedEx service. Apply at the Permanent Mission of São Tomé and Príncipe to the UN, 400 Park Ave., 7th Floor, New York, NY 10022 (212/317-0533).

**SAUDI ARABIA** - \*Passport and visa required. (Individual tourist visas are not available for travel to Saudi Arabia). Transit visa, valid 72 hours, requires onward/return ticket, 1 application form, 1 photo, and no fee. Business visa, stay varies depending on request of the hosting company, requires \$108 fee (money order or cashier's check only), 1 application form, 1 photo, company letter stating purpose of visit, invitation from the Foreign Ministry in Saudi Arabia, and SASE for return of passport by mail. HIV testing required for work permits; U.S. test results sometimes accepted and must be taken within 3 months of application. Visitors must obtain meningitis vaccination prior to arrival. For additional information contact the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia, 601 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20037 (202/342-3800) or nearest Consulate General: Los Angeles (310/479-6000), New York (212/752-2740), or Houston (713/785-5577). Internet: [www.saudiembassy.net](http://www.saudiembassy.net)

**SCOTLAND** - (See [United Kingdom](#)).

**SENEGAL** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. Visa not needed for stay of up to 90 days. Senegalese health officials may request a WHO vaccination card with current yellow fever and cholera vaccinations if the traveler is arriving from an endemic area. For further information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Senegal, 2112 Wyoming Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/234-0540). Internet: [www.senegal-tourism.com](http://www.senegal-tourism.com).

**SEYCHELLES** - \*Valid passport, onward/return ticket, proof of sufficient funds, and proof of accommodation required. Visa issued upon arrival for stay of up to 1 month, no charge, extendible up to 1 year. Medical exam, including HIV test, performed upon arrival for work permits; U.S. test not accepted. There is an airport departure tax of \$40, which must be paid in U.S. dollars. For more information, consult Permanent Mission of Seychelles to the UN, 800 Second Ave., Suite 400, New York, NY 10017 (212/972-1785) for further information.

**SIERRA LEONE** - \*Passport and visa required. Single-entry visa, valid 6 months, requires 1 application form, 1 photo, return/onward ticket, proof of financial support from bank or employer, and payment of a \$100 fee (money order only). Multiple-entry visa, valid for 1 year, require payment of a \$200 fee. Business visa also requires a letter of invitation from a company in Sierra Leone and a profile of the company in the U.S. that the traveler is representing. Provide SASE or prepaid air bill for return of documentation. Proof of yellow fever and cholera vaccination required. For additional information, consult the Embassy of Sierra Leone, 1701 19th St., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/939-9261).

**SINGAPORE** - \*Passport with a minimum validity of 6 months, proof of sufficient funds for stay, and onward/return ticket required. Visa not required for tourist/business stays, length determined at the discretion of immigration officer, normally 30 days. For additional information, contact the Embassy of Singapore, 3501 International Place, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/537-3100). Internet: [www.mfa.gov.sg/washington/](http://www.mfa.gov.sg/washington/)

**SLOVAK REPUBLIC** - \* Passport and proof of sufficient health insurance coverage and funds required. Visa not required for business/tourist stay of up to 90 days. HIV test required for long-term residence permit. For more information, contact the Embassy of the Slovak Republic, 3523 International Court, NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/237-1054) or Consulate General, 801 Second Ave., New York, NY (212/286-8434). Internet: [www.slovakembassy-us.org](http://www.slovakembassy-us.org)

**SLOVENIA** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for business/tourist stay of up to 90 days. For longer stays (e.g., employment, students), obtain a temporary residence permit before traveling. A \$45 visa fee is applied for all types of visas single- or multiple-entry. Fee should be paid by money order. Additional information can be obtained from the Embassy of the Republic of Slovenia, 1525 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/667-5363) or the nearest Consulate General, 600 Third Ave., 21st Floor, New

York, NY 10016 (212/370-3006), or 1111 Chester Ave., Suite 520, Cleveland, OH 44114 (216/589-9220).

**SOLOMON ISLANDS** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and proof of sufficient funds required. Visitors permit issued on arrival for stay of up to 3 months in a 1-year period. For further information, consult the Solomon Islands Mission to the U.N., 820 2nd Ave., Suite 800A, New York, NY 10017 (212/599-6192/93). Internet: [www.commerce.gov.sb](http://www.commerce.gov.sb)

**SOMALIA** - \*Passport required. For further information, contact the Consulate of the Somali Democratic Republic in New York (212/688-9410).

**SOUTH AFRICA** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and proof of sufficient funds required. Passports must contain at least two blank visa pages. Tourist or business visa not required for stay of up to 90 days. HIV test required for all mine workers; U.S. test sometimes accepted. For more information, contact the Embassy of South Africa's Consular Office, 3051 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/232-4400) or the nearest Consulate in CA (323/651-0902), IL (312/939-7929), or NY (212/213-4880). Internet: [www.saembassy.org](http://www.saembassy.org)

**SPAIN** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist or business stays up to 90 days. (\*\*90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). U.S. medical report required for residency, student, and work permits. For additional information, contact the Embassy of Spain, 2375 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20037 (202/452-0100 and 728-2330) or nearest Consulate General in CA (415/922-2995 and 213/938-0158), FL (305/446-5511), IL (312/782-4588), LA (504/525-4951), MA (617/536-2506), NY (212/355-4080), PR (787/758-6090), or TX (713/783-6200). Internet: [www.spainemb.org](http://www.spainemb.org)

**SRI LANKA** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket and proof of sufficient funds required. Tourist visa not required for stay of up to 30 days (extendible in Sri Lanka). For business travel, visa required and must be obtained in advance. Business visa valid 5 years with maximum durations of stay up to 6 months, requires 1 application form, 2 photos, a company letter, a letter from sponsoring agency in Sri Lanka and employing company in U.S., a copy of an onward/return ticket, and \$100 fee. Include postage for return of passport by registered mail. For further information, contact the Embassy of Sri Lanka, 2148 Wyoming Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/483-4025), the Consulate General in Los Angeles (213/387-0210), or the Consulate in New York (212/966-7040 to 7043). Internet: <http://www.slembassyusa.org>

**SUDAN** - \*Passport and visa required. Transit visa valid up to 7 days, requires application, payment of the \$150 fee, onward/return ticket, and visa for next destination, if appropriate. Tourist/business visa for single-entry visit lasting 8 days up to 3 months, requires passport with minimum validity of 6 months, payment of the \$150 fee, 1 application form, 1 photo, proof of sufficient funds and travel itinerary. Yellow fever and cholera vaccinations are recommended. Business visa requires company letter stating purpose of visit and invitation from Sudanese officials. Visas not granted to passports

showing Israeli visas. Allow 4 weeks for processing. Fees payable in cash or money order only. Include SASE for return passport. Contact the Embassy of the Republic of Sudan, 2210 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/338-8565 to 8570) or Sudan Mission to the UN, NY (212/421-2680). Internet: [www.sudanembassy.org](http://www.sudanembassy.org)

**SURINAME** - \*Passport, visa, and onward/return ticket required. Multiple-entry visa requires 1 application form, 1 photo, and appropriate fee. Business visa requires company letter explaining purpose of trip, name of institution to be visited and its address and telephone number in Suriname, as well as the expected duration of visit. Processing fee: \$45 (money order only). For return of passport by mail, include \$12 for registered mail, \$18 for Express Mail (money order only), or enclose SASE. Allow 10 working days for processing. For additional requirements, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Suriname, Suite 460, 4301 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/244-7488 and 7590) or the Consulate in Miami (305/593-2697). Internet: [www.surinameembassy.org](http://www.surinameembassy.org)

**SWAZILAND** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for stay of up to 60 days. For longer stay, temporary residency permits available in Mbabane. Visitors must report to immigration authorities or police station within 48 hours, unless lodging in a hotel. For further information, consult the Embassy of the Kingdom of Swaziland, 1712 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/234-5002).

**SWEDEN** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for a stay of up to 90 days. (\*\*90-day period begins when entering Schengen countries). For longer stays, visa requires 1 application and questionnaire, family appendix form, passport, 2 photos, proof of sufficient funds, proof of valid health insurance, onward/return ticket, proof of accommodation, and \$40 fee. Include appropriate fee for return postage, \$10-\$17. For further information, consult the Embassy of Sweden, 1501 M St., NW, Washington, DC 20005-1702 (202/467-2600) or nearest Consulate General: CA (310/445-4008), New York (212/583-2550), or any other Consulate of Sweden in the United States. Internet: [www.swedenny.com](http://www.swedenny.com)

**SWITZERLAND** - \*Passport required (must be valid for at least 3 months after leaving Swiss territory). Visa not required for tourism/study stay of less than 90 days. Visa not required for business/medical stay of up to 90 days. Stays exceeding 3 months require a visa and residence permit. Visa requires a valid passport, 1 passport photo, proof of residency, onward/return ticket, proof of sufficient funds, and a letter from employer including your position and salary. For further information, contact the Embassy of Switzerland, 2900 Cathedral Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/745-7900) or the nearest Consulate General: CA (310/575-1145 or 415/788-2272), GA (404/870-2000), IL (312/915-0061), NY (212/599-5700), or TX (713/650-0000). Internet: [www.swissemb.org](http://www.swissemb.org)

**SYRIA** - \*Passport and visa required. Obtain visa in advance. Single- or double-entry visa, valid for 3 months, requires 2 application forms, 2 photos, and \$100 fee (money order only). Enclose SASE with \$6 postage (not metered stamps for certified mail) for return of passport by mail, \$14 for express mail. For additional information, contact the

Embassy of the Syrian Arab Republic, 2215 Wyoming Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/232-6313). Internet: [www.syrianembassy.us](http://www.syrianembassy.us)

**TAHITI - (See French Polynesia.)**

**TAIWAN** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and valid visa for next destination, if applicable, required. Visa not required for stay of up to 30 days, no extensions if traveling on the visa waiver program. Travelers arriving in Taiwan with passports valid for 6 months or more and valid Taiwan visas may be admitted for up to 180 days. Visa requires 1 application form, two recent photos, and documentation to verify purpose of visit. \$100 processing fee for all U.S. applicants, \$36 fee for expedited processing. Foreigners applying for resident visas/ work permit must be tested for HIV; U.S. results are not accepted. Testing is also required for anyone staying over 90 days for any reason. For business travel, longer stays, or other information, contact the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office, 4201 Wisconsin Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20016-2137 (202/895-1800) or Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Atlanta (404/872-0123), Boston (617/737-2050), Chicago (312/616-0100), Guam (671/472-5865), Honolulu (808/595-6347), Houston (713/626-7445), Kansas City (816/531-1298), Los Angeles (213/389-1215), Miami (305/443-8917), New York (212/317-7300), San Francisco (415-362-7680), and Seattle (206/441-4586). Internet: [www.taipei.org](http://www.taipei.org) or [www.boca.gov.tw](http://www.boca.gov.tw)

**TAJIKISTAN** - \*Passport and visa required. Travelers must obtain visas before leaving for Tajikistan. Visas may be obtained from Tajik embassies or consulates abroad or upon arrival at Dushanbe airport only with prior arrangement with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) of Tajikistan. Travelers staying longer than 3 days must obtain registration stamps at the MFA. Visa requires 1 application form, 2 passport sized photos, valid passport (6 months validity remaining), letter of request from company or travel agency, and appropriate fee. Visa fee \$80 for 2 weeks; \$160 for 1 month; \$270 for 3 months (single entry) \$380 (multiple entry); \$300 for 6 months (single entry) \$480 (multiple entry); and \$320 for 1 year (single entry), \$600 1 year (multiple-entry). Travelers who intend to visit Tajikistan should also obtain double-entry Russian, Kazakh, or Uzbek visas prior to departure, depending on intended transit points. HIV test required for anyone staying longer than 90 days. U.S. test sometimes accepted. For additional information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Tajikistan, 1005 New Hampshire Ave., Washington, DC 20037 (202/223-6090). Internet: [www.tjus.org](http://www.tjus.org)

**TANZANIA** - \*Passport and visa required. Single- and multiple-entry tourist visas are valid for 3 months. Tourist visa requires 1 application with a valid passport (minimum six months validity), 1 recent passport sized photo, \$50 fee for six months single entry, and \$60 for 3 months multiple entry. Business visa, for a stay of up to 2 months, requires 1 application form, 1 photo, and \$200 fee (no personal checks). Business visa requires invitation letter from Tanzanian company. All visas require proof of sufficient funds and proof of onward/return ticket. For more information, consult Embassy of Tanzania, 2139 R St., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/939-6125) or Tanzanian Permanent Mission to the U.N., 205 East 42nd St., 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10017 (212/972-9160).

**THAILAND** - \*Passport required. Tourists staying no longer than 30 days do not need a visa. For longer stays, obtain a visa in advance. Visa requires 1 application form, 2 photos, postage for return of passport by mail, and appropriate fee. Transit visa, for stay of up to 30 days, \$20 per entry fee, or tourist visa, for stay of up to 60 days, \$25 per entry fee. Extensions may be applied for in Thailand. Transit and tourist visas require copy of airline ticket or itinerary. Business visas, valid up to 90 days, require \$20 entry fee or \$40 fee for multiple entry and company letter (on letterhead) stating purpose of visit, name of company, and address of counterpart in Thailand. (Note: All visa fees are payable in cash or money order, if applying in person, or by money order only, if applying by mail. Apply at the Royal Thai Embassy, 1024 Wisconsin Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/944-3600), or the nearest Consulate General: CA (323/962-9574), IL (312/664-3129), or NY (212/754-1770). For other Consulates General throughout the U.S., call 202/944-3600. Internet: [www.thaiembdc.org](http://www.thaiembdc.org)

**TOGO** - \*Passport and visa required. All types of visas (except diplomatic) require 3 application forms, 3 photos, proof of sufficient funds, and \$45 to \$100 fee. For information on fees and additional visa related requirements, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Togo, 2208 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/234-4212/3). Internet: [www.visatogoabroad.com](http://www.visatogoabroad.com)

**TONGA** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. Visa not required for stay of up to 30 days. HIV testing required for stays exceeding 6 months. Tonga collects a departure tax. For additional information, consult the Consulate General of Tonga, 360 Post St., Suite 604, San Francisco, CA 94108 (415/781-0365).

**TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. Work visas required for compensated and non-compensated employment, including missionary work. Visa requires 1 completed form, 1 photo and a valid passport. Business visa requires a company letter. For more information, consult the Embassy of Trinidad and Tobago, 1708 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202/467-6490) or the nearest Consulate General: New York (212/682-7272) or Miami (305/374-2199).

**TUNISIA** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. Visas not required for tourist/business stay of up to 4 months. For longer visits, Americans need a residence permit, which may be requested and obtained from the central police station of the district of residence. For more information, consult Embassy of Tunisia, 1515 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20005 (202/862-1850).

**TURKEY** - \*Passport and visa required. Visas can be obtained at Turkish border crossing points for tourist/business visits of up to 3 months or through a Turkish consular office in the U.S. Visa requires a completed application form and a passport with a minimum validity of 3 months. Visa fee is \$20 for single entry and \$65 for multiple entry (cash or money order only). Visa must be obtained in advance for longer stays and for study, research, or employment purposes. Visa requires your valid passport, 1 completed application form, and SASE. For further information, contact the Consular Office of the

Embassy of the Republic of Turkey, 2525 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/612-6740/41) or nearest Consulate: CA (323/937-0118), IL (312/263-0644), NY (212/949-0160), or TX (713/622-5849). Internet: [www.turkishembassy.org](http://www.turkishembassy.org)

**TURKMENISTAN** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires 2 application forms, 2 photos, and letter of invitation. Business visa requires 1 application, 1 photo, and cover letter of invitation. Visas are available in a variety of time periods, and fees are paid according to the type of visa and processing time needed. HIV test required for foreigners staying longer than 3 months. U.S. test accepted. For further information about visa fees and types, consult the Embassy of Turkmenistan, 2207 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/588-1500). Internet: [www.turkmenistanembassy.org](http://www.turkmenistanembassy.org)

**TURKS AND CAICOS** - (See [West Indies, British.](#))

**TUVALU** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and proof of sufficient funds required. Visitor permits valid for up to three months are issued upon arrival. Visitors permit issued on arrival. For more information, consult British Embassy (202/588-7800).

**UGANDA** - \*Valid passport and visa required. Visa should be obtained in advance. Visa requires a passport (must be valid beyond the date of your trip), international yellow fever and cholera vaccination certificate, 1 application form, 2 passport sized photos (print name on back side of one), and appropriate fee. Visa fee is \$50 single entry (3 months); \$90 multiple entry (6 months); \$190 multiple entry (1 year). Express processing available for additional \$10. Include SASE for the return of your passport. For other information, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Uganda, 5911 16<sup>th</sup> St., NW, Washington, DC 20011 (202/726-7100-02) or Permanent Mission to the U.N. (212/949-0110). Internet: [www.ugandaembassy.com](http://www.ugandaembassy.com)

**UKRAINE** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/business/private stay of up to 90 days. U.S. citizens who enter Ukraine seeking employment, permanent residency, or to study require a visa. For stays longer than 90 days visa requires 1 application form, a valid passport, and 1 recent photo. Minors require a joint notarized written request from both parents. Based on the type of visa, the visa fee varies from \$10 to \$130 and payable by money order only. Transit visa requires onward/return ticket. Valid medical/health insurance is required. For additional information and specified information on visa fees, contact the Consular Office of the Embassy of Ukraine, 3350 M St., NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/333-7507/08/09), or the nearest Consulate General: Chicago (312/642-8744) or New York (212/371-5691). Internet: [www.ukraineinfo.us](http://www.ukraineinfo.us)

**UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** - \*Passport required. Visa and fee not required for stay of up to 30 days. For longer stays, visa requires 2 application forms, original signed passport (with minimum validity of 6 months), 2 passport-sized photos, letter of employment or proof of sufficient funds, and \$51 fee. Visa valid for up to 10 years, for maximum stay of 6 months per entry. May be subject to HIV testing in country upon submission of residence/visa application with immigration. Include SASE for the return of your passport. For specific information, contact the Embassy of the United Arab Emirates,

3522 International Court, NW, Suite 100, Washington, DC 20008 (202/243-2400).  
Internet: [UAEembassy.org](http://UAEembassy.org)

**UNITED KINGDOM (England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales)** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for stay of up to 6 months. For additional information, consult the nearest visa-issuing Consulate General: CA (310/481-2900), IL (312/970-3800), or NY (212/745-0200). Internet: [www.britainusa.com/embassy](http://www.britainusa.com/embassy)

**URUGUAY** - \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days. For longer stay visa requires 1 complete application form, passport (with minimum validity of six months), 1 passport sized photograph, onward/return ticket, and \$42 fee (money order only). Include SASE with proper postage for return of passport by registered mail. For additional information, consult the Embassy of Uruguay, 1913 I St., NW, 3rd Floor, Washington, DC 20006 (202/331-4219) or nearest Consulate General: CA (310/394-5777), FL (305/443- 9764), or NY (212/753-8191 or 92). Internet: [www.uruwashi.org](http://www.uruwashi.org)

**UZBEKISTAN** \*Passport and visa required. Invitations letter from a sponsoring organization or individual required. *Note:* Uzbek visas indicate the validity of the visa AND the period of time a person is allowed to stay on a given trip. Although visas have been issued for four years with multiple entries in the past, since the end of 2005 most Uzbek visas have been limited to less than three months in duration. A visitor will have to leave the country after the number of days indicated as the duration of stay on the visa. Therefore, it is important to indicate your intended period of stay when applying for your Uzbek visa. Please see the [Consular Information Sheet for Uzbekistan](#) for more information on entry/exit requirements. Further visa information is available from the Consular Section of the Embassy of the Republic of Uzbekistan, 1746 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20036; telephone: (202) 530-7291; fax: (202) 293-9633; website: <http://www.uzbekistan.org>; or from the Consulate General of Uzbekistan in New York City, 866 United Nations Plaza, Suite 327A, New York, NY 10017; telephone: (212) 754-7403; fax: (212) 838-9812. <http://www.uzbekconsulny.org> .

**VANUATU** - \*Passport and onward/return ticket required. Visa not required for stay of up to 30 days. Visa requires one blank page in passport. For further information, consult the Vanuatu Mission to the UN (212/593-0144 or 0215).  
Internet: [www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/Vanuatu](http://www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/Vanuatu)

**VATICAN** - (See Holy City.)

**VENEZUELA** - \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and proof of sufficient funds required. Visa not required for a stay of up to 90 days, but business and other travelers need a visa which requires 1 application form and letter from company. This type of visa is valid for 1 year with multiple entries (each entry allows a period of up to 180 days). All travelers must pay departure tax (\$30) at airport. Minors (under 18) who are traveling alone, with one parent or with a third party, must present a copy of their birth certificate and written authorization from the absent parent(s) or legal guardian. Tourist visa requires proof of

U.S. address, reference letter, and letter from applicant's employer. Tourist visa is valid for 1 year, with multiple entries (each entry allows a period of up to 90 days). For additional information, contact the Consular Section of the Embassy of Venezuela, 1099 30<sup>th</sup> St., NW, Washington, DC 20007 (202/342-2214) or the nearest Consulate: CA (415/955-1982), FL (305/577-4214), IL (312/236-9655), LA (504/522-3284), MA (617/266-9368), NY (212/826-1660), PR (809/766-4250/1), or TX (713/961-5166). Internet: <http://www.embavenez-us.org/>

**VIETNAM** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa requires 1 application form, 1 passport sized photo, and SASE. Visa fee should be paid by money order or cashier's check, payable to the Embassy of Vietnam. For business visa, applicant must provide appropriate documentation from his/her sponsor in Vietnam. For specific requirements and current visa fees, contact the Embassy of Vietnam, 1233 20th St., NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC 20036 (202/861-2293 or 861-0694). Internet: <http://www.vietnamembassy-usa.org/>

**VIRGIN ISLANDS, British** - Islands include Anegarda, Jost van Dyke, Tortola, and Virgin Gorda. Proof of U.S. citizenship, photo ID, onward/return ticket, and sufficient funds required for tourist stay of up to 6 months. Consult the British Embassy for further information (202/588-7800). Internet: [www.britain-info.org](http://www.britain-info.org)

**WALES** - (See [United Kingdom](#).)

**WEST INDIES, British** - Islands include Anguilla, Montserrat, Cayman Islands, Turks and Caicos. \*Passport, onward/return ticket, and sufficient funds required for tourist stay of up to 3 months. Consult the British Embassy for further information (202/588-7800). Internet: <http://www.britishembassy.ie/>

**WEST INDIES, French** - Islands include Guadeloupe, Isles des Saintes, La Desirade, Marie Galante, Saint Barthelemy, St. Martin, and Martinique. \*Passport required. Visa not required for tourist/business stay of up to 90 days months. Stays exceeding 90 days require a visa, which will need a passport (3 months validity after departure), 4 long stay visa applications, 5 recent passport sized photos, proof of sufficient funds (3 copies), proof of valid medical insurance, police clearance (obtained from police department in U.S. – 3 copies), and letter certifying no paid activity will occur. For further information, consult the Embassy of France (202/944-6000). Internet: [www.info-france-usa.org](http://www.info-france-usa.org)

**WESTERN SAMOA** - (See [Samoa](#))

**YEMEN, REPUBLIC OF** - \*Passport and visa required. Visa valid 30 days from date of issuance for single entry; requires 1 application form and 2 color photos. Tourist visa requires proof of onward/return transportation, employment, letter of invitation, health certificate, and \$50 fee (single entry valid 3 months). Business visa requires letter from employer in Yemen and \$50 fee (single entry valid 3 months). Student visas require a letter of acceptance from the institution in Yemen, indicating type and duration of study. Minimum processing time is 3 business days. (Payment by money orders only and send

SASE with proper postage for return of passport by registered mail). Prior to visiting Yemen, it is necessary to visit a medical clinic. For more information and additional information on fees, contact the Embassy of the Republic of Yemen, Suite 705, 2600 Virginia Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20037 (202/965-4760) or Yemen Mission to the UN, 866 United Nations Plaza, Room 435, New York, NY 10017 (212/355-1730). Internet: [www.yemenembassy.org](http://www.yemenembassy.org).

**ZAIRE - (See [Congo, Democratic Republic of](#))**

**ZAMBIA** - \*Passport and visa required. Tourist/business multiple-entry visa, valid up to 3 years, requires \$40 processing fee (no personal checks), 2 application forms, and 2 photos. **Note:** If applicant adds spouse and/or children to visa form, traveler must pay \$30 fee and an additional \$10 fee for each child. If applicant is from a nonprofit organization, letter from organization required. When a visa is obtained at port of entry, it is only valid for a stay of up to 3 months and the fee is \$25. Business visa also requires company letter. For more information, consult the Embassy of the Republic of Zambia, 2419 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008 (202/265-9717 or 19).

**ZANZIBAR - (See [Tanzania](#).)**

**ZIMBABWE** - \*Passport, visa, onward/return ticket and proof of sufficient funds required for a stay of up to 6 months. Visas issued upon arrival in Zimbabwe, \$30 fee single entry, \$45 double entry, and \$55 multiple entry. To obtain visa before entry, submit 2 visa application forms, a valid passport and 2 passport photos. Visa fee (payable by money order or bank draft) \$60 single entry and \$75 double entry. If applying by mail include prepaid airway bill. Antimalarial pills are recommended. \$30 exit fee paid at airport. Visitors must declare currency upon arrival. For regulations, check with the Embassy of Zimbabwe, 1608 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202/332-7100). Internet: [www.zimbabwe-embassy.us](http://www.zimbabwe-embassy.us)

*Notes*

- **\*Some countries require that your U.S. passport be valid at least six months or longer beyond the dates of your trip. Check with the Embassy or Consulate of the country you plan to visit for their requirements.**
- **\*\*Schengen countries: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, and Sweden.**
- **SASE is self-addressed, stamped envelope.**
- **If applying in person, remember to call about office hours. Many consulates are only open in the morning and closed for local holidays.**

• **Several countries accept mailed applications from *specific states only*. If applying by mail please be sure to check with Embassy or Consulate and see if the state you live in is permitted to submit mailed applications.**

### *Consular Information Program*

The State Department's Bureau of Consular Affairs provides assistance and information to U.S. citizens traveling abroad. Consular Affairs issues Consular Information Sheets, Travel Warnings, Public Announcements, and other travel publications. The following gives a brief description of some of the information currently available through the Consular Information Program:

#### *Consular Information Sheets, Travel Warnings, and Public Announcements*

*Consular Information Sheets* are issued for every country in the world. They include such information as the location of the U.S. embassy or consulate in the subject country, health conditions, political disturbances, unusual currency and entry regulations, crime and security information, and drug penalties.

The State Department also issues Travel Warnings and Public Announcements. Travel Warnings are issued when the State Department decides to recommend that Americans avoid travel to a certain country. Countries where avoidance of travel is recommended will have Travel Warnings as well as Consular Information Sheets. Public Announcements are issued as a means to disseminate information quickly about terrorist threats and other relatively short-term and/or transnational conditions posing significant risks to the security of American travelers.

#### [Travel Brochures](#)

[\*A Safe Trip Abroad\*](#) contains helpful precautions one can take to minimize the chance of becoming a victim of terrorism or crime.

[\*Tips for Americans Residing Abroad\*](#) offers information for U.S. citizens living abroad on dual citizenship, tax regulations, voting, and other consular services.

[\*Travel Tips for Older Americans\*](#) contains special health, safety and travel information for older Americans.

[\*Your Trip Abroad\*](#) offers tips on obtaining a passport, considerations in preparing for your trip and traveling, and other sources of information.

The following travel tips brochures contain information on currency regulations, customs, and dual nationality for specific areas of the world:

[\*Tips for Travelers to Canada\*](#)

[\*Tips for Travelers to the Caribbean\*](#)

*Tips for Travelers to Central & South America*

*Tips for Travelers to Mexico*

*Tips for Travelers to the Middle East and North Africa*

*Tips for Travelers to the People's Republic of China*

*Tips for Travelers to Russia*

*Tips for Travelers to South Asia*

*Tips for Travelers to Sub-Saharan Africa*

Consular Information Sheets , Travel Warnings, Public Announcements , and Consular Affairs' publications can be obtained by accessing Internet at <http://travel.state.gov>.

Publications can also be purchased from the **\*U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO)**. Copies of Consular Affairs' **publications** are available for **\$1.50 - \$3.00** from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402, tel: 202/512-1800, fax: 202/512-2250, Internet: <http://bookstore.gpo.gov/>.

(Prices and availability are subject to change without notice. Please check with the GPO for up-to-date information.)

### ***Top Ten Tips for Travelers***

1. Make sure you have a signed, valid passport and visa, if required. Also, before you go, fill in the emergency information page of your passport!
2. Read the Consular Information Sheets (and Public Announcements or Travel Warnings, if applicable) for the countries you plan to visit. (See the section "Consular Information Program.")
3. Leave copies of your itinerary, passport data page and visas with family or friends at home, so that you can be contacted in case of an emergency.
4. Make sure you have insurance, which will cover your emergency medical needs, while you are overseas.
5. Familiarize yourself with local laws and customs of the countries to which you are traveling. Remember, while in a foreign country, you are subject to its laws!
6. Do not leave your luggage unattended in public areas and never accept packages from strangers.
7. While abroad, avoid using illicit drugs or drinking excessive amounts of alcoholic beverages, and associating with people who do.
8. Do not become a target for thieves by wearing conspicuous clothing and expensive jewelry and do not carry excessive amounts of cash or unnecessary credit cards.
9. Deal only with authorized agents when you exchange money or purchase art or antiques in order to avoid violating local laws.
10. When overseas, avoid demonstrations and other situations that may become unruly or where anti-American sentiments may be expressed.