

Visa Requirements for Travel to Germany

The following information is believed to be accurate. However, program participants should confirm the information by contacting the German Embassy for their country. This information is taken directly from the German Embassy and Learn 4 Good web sites.

Who requires a visa?

Citizens of the following Countries do not require a visa to enter Germany.

All countries and territories that are members of the Schengen acquis, of the EU or of EFTA. Positive visa list of countries (also known as White Schengen List) from whose citizens no visa is required to enter the territory of the EU member states for a period of maximum 90 days.

Andorra, Argentina, Austria*, Australia (including the Cocos Islands, Norfolk Island, Christmas Island)**, Belgium*, Bermuda, Brazil, Brunei, Bulgaria*, Canada**, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus*, Czech Republic*, Denmark*, El Salvador, Estonia*, Finland*, France*(including French Guyane, French Polynesia, Guadeloupe, Martinique, New Caledonia, Réunion, St Pierre and Miquelon), Greece*, Guatemala, Honduras***, Hungary*, Iceland**, Ireland*, Israel**, Italy*, Japan**, Korea (South)**, Latvia*, Liechtenstein**, Lithuania*, Luxembourg*, Macao, Malaysia, Malta*, Mexico, Monaco***, Netherlands*, New Zealand (including the Cook Islands, Niue, Tokelau)**, Nicaragua, Norway*, Panama, Paraguay, Poland*, Portugal*, Romania*, San Marino***, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain* (including Spanish territories in North Africa with Ceuta and Melilla), Sweden*, Switzerland**, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (including the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man and Bermuda)****, United States of America (including Virgin Islands of the United States, American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico)**, Uruguay, Vatican City, Venezuela.

Without a visa, however, citizens of the above countries may not stay longer than three months every half-year or take up gainful employment requiring a work permit. Excepted are the following.

- Citizens of European Union member states (marked with "*").
- If required, citizens of member states of the European Economic Area and some other countries may obtain a residence and/or work permit after entry (these countries are marked with "***").
- Provided that they do not intend to enter into employment, citizens of Honduras, Monaco, San Marino may obtain any residence permit required after entry (these countries are marked with "****").
- "*****": British Nationals (Overseas) with corresponding BN(O) passports are also exempt from the visa requirement.

Web Resources

German Embassies and Consulates Listing
<http://www.embassiesabroad.com/embassies-of/Germany>

Learn 4 Good
http://www.learn4good.com/travel/de_visas.htm

Travel Docs
<http://www.traveldocs.com/de/vr.htm>