

**Lists of third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and of those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement**

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**A) List of third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders**

1. States

AFGHANISTAN  
ALBANIA  
ALGERIA  
ANGOLA  
ARMENIA  
AZERBAIJAN  
BAHRAIN  
BANGLADESH  
BELARUS  
BELIZE  
BENIN  
BHUTAN  
BOLIVIA  
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA  
BOTSWANA  
BURKINA FASO  
BURMA/MYANMAR  
BURUNDI  
CAMBODIA  
CAMEROON  
CAPE VERDE  
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC  
CHAD  
CHINA  
COLOMBIA  
COMOROS  
CONGO  
COTE D'IVOIRE  
CUBA  
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO  
DJIBOUTI  
DOMINICA  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC  
ECUADOR  
EGYPT  
EQUATORIAL GUINEA  
ERITREA  
ETHIOPIA  
FIJI  
GABON  
GAMBIA  
GEORGIA

GHANA  
GRENADA  
GUINEA  
GUINEA-BISSAU  
GUYANA  
HAITI  
INDIA  
INDONESIA  
IRAN  
IRAQ  
JAMAICA  
JORDAN  
KAZAKHSTAN  
KENYA  
KIRIBATI  
KUWAIT  
KYRGYZSTAN  
LAOS  
LEBANON  
LESOTHO  
LIBERIA  
LIBYA  
MADAGASCAR  
MALAWI  
MALDIVES  
MALI  
MARSHALL ISLANDS  
MAURITANIA  
MICRONESIA  
MOLDOVA  
MONGOLIA  
MOROCCO  
MOZAMBIQUE  
NAMIBIA  
NAURU  
NEPAL  
NIGER  
NIGERIA  
NORTH KOREA  
NORTHERN MARIANAS (ISLANDS)  
OMAN  
PAKISTAN  
PALAU  
PAPUA NEW GUINEA  
PERU  
PHILIPPINES  
QATAR  
RUSSIA  
RWANDA  
SAMOA  
SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE  
SAUDI ARABIA

SENEGAL  
SIERRA LEONE  
SOLOMON ISLANDS  
SOMALIA  
SOUTH AFRICA  
SRI LANKA  
ST LUCIA  
ST VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES  
SUDAN  
SURINAME  
SWAZILAND  
SYRIA  
TAJIKISTAN  
TANZANIA  
THAILAND  
TIMOR-LESTE  
TOGO  
TONGA  
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO  
TUNISIA  
TURKEY  
TURKMENISTAN  
TUVALU  
UGANDA  
UKRAINE  
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES  
UZBEKISTAN  
VANUATU  
VIETNAM  
YEMEN  
ZAMBIA  
ZIMBABWE

2. Entities and territorial authorities not recognised as States by at least one Member State

KOSOVO  
TAIWAN  
PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY

3. British citizens who are not nationals of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for the purposes of community law

- British Overseas Territories Citizens who do not have the right of abode in the United Kingdom
- British Overseas Citizens
- British Subjects who do not have the right of abode in the United Kingdom
- British Protected Persons

**B) List of third countries whose nationals are exempted from holding a visa when crossing the external borders**

1. States

ANDORRA  
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA  
ARGENTINA  
AUSTRALIA  
BAHAMA  
BARBADOS  
BRAZIL  
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM  
CANADA  
CHILE  
COSTA RICA  
CROATIA  
EL SALVADOR  
FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA<sup>1</sup>  
GUATEMALA  
HOLY SEE (STATE OF THE VATICAN)  
HONDURAS  
ISRAEL  
JAPAN  
MALAYSIA  
MAURITIUS  
MEXICO  
MONACO  
MONTENEGRO<sup>2</sup>  
  
NEW ZEALAND  
NICARAGUA  
PANAMA  
PARAGUAY  
SAN MARINO  
SEYCHELLES  
SERBIA<sup>3</sup>  
  
SINGAPORE  
SOUTH KOREA

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with Regulation (EC) 1244/2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 539/2001, nationals of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia holding biometric passports are exempt from the visa obligation (OJ L 336, 18.12.2009, p. 1); the VFA continues to apply to holders of non-biometric passports.

<sup>2</sup> In accordance with Regulation (EC) 1244/2009 amending Regulation 539/2001, nationals of Montenegro holding biometric passports are exempt from the visa obligation (OJ L 336, 18.12.2009, p. 1); as non-biometric Montenegrin passports are no longer valid, the VFA is no longer applied in practice.

<sup>3</sup> In accordance with Regulation (EC) 1244/2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 539/2001, nationals of Serbia holding biometric passports (excluding holders of passports issued by the Serbian Coordination Directorate [in Serbian: *Koordinaciona uprava*]) are exempt from the visa obligation (OJ L 336, 18.12.2009, p. 1); the VFA continues to apply to holders of non-biometric passport holders and holders of passports issued by the Serbian Coordination Directorate.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
URUGUAY  
VENEZUELA

2. Special Administrative Regions of the People's Republic of China

HONG KONG S.A.R.<sup>1</sup>  
MACAO S.A.R.<sup>2</sup>

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British Nationals (Overseas)

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<sup>1</sup> The visa exemption applies only to holders of a "Hong Kong Special Administrative Region" passport.

<sup>2</sup> The visa exemption applies only to holders of a "Região Administrativa Especial de Macau" passport.

