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## El Salvador

### US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens RECONSIDER TRAVEL to this country due to COVID-19. Exercise increased caution in El Salvador due to crime. Consult its website via the link below for any updates to this advisory.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

### Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp that will be required. A visa is not needed for tourists, but US citizens must purchase a tourist card (10 USD) upon arrival, which is valid for 90 days. If a US citizen's passport shows they were born in El Salvador then they do not need to purchase tourist card.

### US Embassy/Consulate

[503] 2501-2999; US Embassy in San Salvador, Final Boulevard Santa Elena, Antiguo Cuscatlán, La Libertad, El Salvador

### Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. See WHO recommendations.

<http://www.who.int>

### Climate

Tropical; rainy season (May to October); dry season (November to April); tropical on coast; temperate in uplands

### Currency (Code)

US \$ (USD)

### Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

120 V / 60 Hz / plug type(s): A, B



### Major Languages

Spanish, Nawat

### Religions

Roman Catholic 50%, Protestant 36%, other 2%, none 12%

### Time Difference

UTC-6 (1 hour behind Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

### Potable Water

Opt for bottled water.

### International Driving Permit

Suggested; additionally, if you plan to drive in El Salvador, you will need an Inter-American Driving Permit issued by the AAA

<b>Road Driving Side</b>	Right
<b>Cultural Practices</b>	After eating, it is considered polite to spend at least an hour conversing with your hosts instead of leaving right away.
<b>Telephone Code</b>	503
<b>Local Emergency Phone</b>	911

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

[World Health Organization \(WHO\) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[To obtain an international driving permit \(IDP\). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association \(AAA\) \(www.aaa.com\) and American Automobile Touring Alliance \(AATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](#)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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