

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS - COSTA RICA

<http://www.visitcostarica.com>



Prométour is not responsible for participants not being able to enter their destination due to lack of proper travel documents

As of September 2008

Acceptable Travel Documents for American & Canadian Citizens

- **Valid Passport** - All passports must be valid for at least six (6) months beyond the conclusion of your trip
- American Passport / Canadian Passport does NOT require a visa

Other Nationalities

- **Valid Passport** - All passports must be valid for at least six (6) months beyond the conclusion of your trip
- Travelers of other nationalities must check with authorities of all destinations on the itinerary if a visa is required - INCLUDING flight entry points prior to final destination (example via United States, via Canada etc.)
<http://www.costarica-embassy.org/consular/visa/country-selection.htm>
- Bring all necessary documents in order to re-enter Canada / USA

⇒ A student ID card (school issued or through www.istc.org) should be brought for public transportation and museum entrances

Make THREE (3) photocopies of your travel documents:

- One to be sent to Prométour in order to issue the plane ticket
- One for your Group Leader as proof that you possess the necessary traveling documents
- One that you will leave at home in case your travel document get lost or stolen

Entry Requirement for minors (under 18 years old)

Minors traveling with both parents or legal guardians

- Require a valid passport & any applicable visas

Minors traveling with only one parent / legal guardian

- In addition to a valid passport & any applicable visas, they must have an original notarized letter of consent from the other parent/legal guardian

Minors traveling unaccompanied or with anyone other than their parents or legal guardians

- In addition to a valid passport & any applicable visas, both parents / legal guardians (or the sole, documented custodial parent / guardian) must provide a notarized letter of consent for the minor child to travel to in someone else's care
- Airlines will also require the name, address and phone of the person meeting any unaccompanied minors upon arrival

In the case of deceased or divorced parents / legal guardians

- The notarized letter of consent must be accompanied by a copy of the legal custody document or death certificate
- This proof (death certificate, proof of sole custody etc.) can also be shown to a notary who can then notarize an Affidavit of Sole Custody

⇒ A Parental/Legal Guardian Travel Consent Form is available on the Prométour web site www.prometour.com

Airport Departure Tax

Participants will be expected to pay a departure fee of \$26 USD to be paid in the main terminal at the airport. This can be paid in US Dollars, colones or with a credit card

Health Regulations www.cdc.gov/travel/default.aspx

- Inoculations are not mandatory although it is common to vaccinate against Typhoid, Hepatitis, Yellow Fever & Smallpox and medicate against Malaria

⇒ It is recommended to take your itinerary to your local Travel Clinic so that they can best determine what is necessary