

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS - CANADA



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Taken from: <http://travel.state.gov/> and http://www.dhs.gov/xnews/releases/pr_1182350422171.shtm

- As of **January 23, 2007** - all travelers arriving **by air** will require a passport to travel to/from Canada
- As of **DATE TO BE DETERMINED (summer 2008)** - all travelers arriving by land and/or air will require a passport to travel to/from Canada

It is suggested that all participants & group leaders consider obtaining a valid passport to facilitate border crossings but until the above dates come into effect:

Acceptable Travel Documents for American Citizens

- **Valid Passport**
- **Original Birth Certificate** (copies must be notarized) - If at all possible a piece of photo identification (such as School Student ID Card) should accompany the certified birth certificate to prove they are the same person (it is not mandatory but helpful)
- A driver's License is NOT considered an acceptable travel document, anyone living in the States can get an American Driver's licenses regardless of nationality

Naturalized Citizens must bring their **Citizenship Card** proving they are American Citizens

Non-American Citizens (with or without a green card) should check with their nearest Canadian consulate to find out if they need a Visa to enter Canada. Non-American Citizens in possession of a green card must bring it with them in order to return to the States

In addition to appropriate travel documents, both parents (or the sole, documented custodial parent) must provide signed consent for a minor child (under 18 years old) to travel in someone else's care (TRAVEL CONSENT FORM)

We suggest you make 2 copies of your travel documents - Submit one to your Group Leader to prove you have proper travelling documents and keep one at home in case of loss or theft

In case of loss or theft report to the embassy or consulate and the local police