#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR MEXICO**

To enter Mexico, participants must complete all immigration procedures. All foreign citizens must be in possession of a valid passport.

Please be advised that Mexico will not issue visas at ports of entry under any circumstances.

#### Visa-free entry

Non-Mexican nationals in possession of a passport and one of the following documents do not require a Mexican visa:

- I. A valid multiple-entry visa for the United States.
- II. A document certifying permanent residence in Canada, the United States, Japan, the United Kingdom, or any of the countries of the Schengen area.
- III. An Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) business travel card approved by Mexico.

## Foreign visitors to Mexico may be asked for the following upon entry by immigration officials

- I. Valid passport or identification document.
- II. Personal information requested by immigration authorities.
- III. Justification for travel. This information must be in line with the visa issued, if applicable. If travelling as a tourist, accreditation of economic solvency and a hotel reservation (preferably paid) will be required. You may be called on to provide proof of place of residence or origin.
- IV. Address and period of stay in Mexico. You must present a return ticket to the country of origin and prove that hotel reservations correspond with the period of stay.
- V. Information on the activities to be carried out in Mexico and those undertaken in the country of origin.
- VI. Proof of economic solvency for the period of stay in Mexico. It is strongly recommended that you hold an international credit card.

You must retain the migration form that the immigration officer stamps then hands you upon entry to Mexico as it must be submitted upon your departure.

## Holders of diplomatic, official or service passports

To check whether you require a visa to enter Mexico, please use the following link:

http://serviciosconsulares.sre.gob.mx/images/stories/dgsc/pdf/regnoordinario.pdf

If you do require a visa, please contact your nearest Mexican Consulate.

#### **Ordinary passport holders**

To check whether you require a visa to enter Mexico, please use the following link:

http://serviciosconsulares.sre.gob.mx/images/stories/dgsc/pdf/visasordinarios.pdf

# Requirements for applications for a visitor's visa without permission to engage in paid activities

To obtain a Mexican visa in your ordinary passport you must present the following:

- I. Original and copy of valid passport or identification document.
- II. One colour passport-size photo, at least 32 mm x 26 mm and at most 39 mm x 31 mm in size, displaying your face, without glasses, against a white background.
- III. Original and copy of documents proving legal residence, if the applicant is not a national of the country where the visa is requested.
- IV. The following documents, as applicable, in order to certify that the foreign visitor will not engage in paid activities while in Mexico:

#### A. Evidence of ties:

- 1. Originals and copies of duly registered property deeds under the name of the applicant with at least two years of ownership and proof of stable employment with at least two years of service, or
- Originals and copies of duly registered property deeds under the name of the applicant with at least two years of ownership and a document attesting the ownership of or a stake in businesses issued by the relevant authorities of the respective country, with a minimum standing of two years.

### B. Economic solvency:

- Originals and copies of documents attesting that the applicant has received a salary or pension providing monthly after-tax income of at least the equivalent of 100 days of the general minimum wage in force in Mexico City for the past three months and proof of stable employment with at least one year of service, or
- Originals and copies of documents attesting that the applicant has held investments or bank accounts with an average monthly balance equivalent to 300 days of the general minimum wage in force in Mexico City for the past three months.

#### C. Invitation from an organization or public or private institution:

- 1. Original letter from an organization or public or private institution inviting the applicant to participate in an event or unpaid activity in Mexico. The letter must contain the following information:
  - (a) Full name and nationality of the applicant.
  - (b) Name or trade name of the organization.
  - (c) Official registration number, if applicable.
  - (d) Activity or objective of the organization or institution.
  - (e) Full address and contact information of the organization or institution.
  - (f) Information on the event or activity in which the applicant will participate. The activity to be carried out by the applicant must be related to the objectives of the organization or institution issuing the invitation.
  - (g) Estimated duration or approximate date of conclusion of the activity to be carried out.

- (h) A commitment to assume responsibility for the applicant's subsistence during his or her stay in Mexico and for his or her return journey to the country of origin or residence.
- (i) Copy of official identification document, with signature and photograph, of the signatory to the letter of responsibility.
- 2. To prove that the organization or public or private institution has sufficient financial resources to fulfil the commitment referred to in point 1(h) it must furnish originals and copies of documents attesting that it has held investments or bank accounts with an average balance of at least the equivalent of 1,000 days of the general minimum wage in force in Mexico City for the past 12 months.
- The applicant must furnish originals and copies of documents attesting that he or she has the experience, expertise, skills or knowledge necessary to carry out the activity covered by the invitation.
- D. Participation in an event promoted or sponsored by the federal government or an autonomous constitutional body:
  - Original letter from the federal government department or autonomous constitutional body inviting the applicant to participate in an event organized in accordance with an international commitment undertaken by the Government of Mexico. The letter must contain the following information:
    - (a) Full name of the applicant.
    - (b) Nationality.
    - (c) Name of the federal government department or the autonomous constitutional body.
    - (d) Information on the event in which the applicant will participate.
    - (e) Date and duration of the event.
    - (f) Signature and official title of the federal government official or staff member of the autonomous constitutional body responsible for coordinating the event.
    - (g) Original of the letter or note from the institution sending the applicant.

For further information, please contact the Mexican Consulate nearest you or where you wish to submit your application, which you can locate using the following links: List of Mexican embassies outside Mexico:

http://directorio.sre.gob.mx/index.php/embajadas-de-mexico-en-el-exterior

List of Mexican consulates outside Mexico:

http://directorio.sre.gob.mx/index.php/consulados-de-mexico-en-el-exterior

List of embassies and consulates in Mexico:

http://www.sre.gob.mx/index.php/representaciones/misiones-extranjeras-acreditadas-enmexico