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### 1. ENTRY PROCEDURES

Every participant needs a passport in good condition with a validity date of at least six months prior to the date of arrival into the country.

Visa Application is the responsibility of each participant. **Important Notice:** We strongly encourage our attendees to review visa requirements and related information with the closest Costa Rican Embassy or Consulate, who will be able to provide you with up-to-date, accurate and complete information on how to obtain your visa (if needed).

Tecnológico de Costa Rica, if required and requested, will assist attendees with a letter address to the Consulate stating their participation.

This Institution will also assist participants with **Official/Diplomatic Passports** from the group of countries that require visa; and participants that require **restricted visa**. For information about the documents for this procedure please contact our Officer: Melissa Umaña: [mumana@itcr.ac.cr](mailto:mumana@itcr.ac.cr).

For complete information regarding Visa Requirements, you can also access Costa Rica's Immigration Office at:

<http://www.migracion.go.cr/extranjeros/visas.html> (Spanish Only)

## 2. VISA REQUIREMENTS

### 2.1 FIRST GROUP

Nationals from the following list of countries **do not required a visa** to enter Costa Rica.

ARGENTINA	MALTA
ANDORRA	MEXICO
AUSTRALIA	MONTENEGRO
AUSTRIA	NORWAY
BAHAMAS	NEW ZEALAND
BARBADOS	NETHERLANDS (HOLLAND)
BELGIUM	PANAMA
BRAZIL	PARAGUAY
BULGARIA	POLAND
CANADA	PORTUGAL
CROATIA	PRINCIPALITY OF MONACO
CHILE	PUERTO RICO
CYPRUS	REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO
CZECH REPUBLIC	REPUBLIC OF SOUTH KOREA
DENMARK	ROMANIA
ESTONIA	SAN MARINO
FINLAND	SINGAPORE
FRANCE	SLOVAKIA
GERMANY	SLOVENIA
HELLENIC REPUBLIC (GREECE)	SERBIA
HUNGARY	SPAIN
IRELAND	SOUTH AFRICA
ICELAND	SWEDEN
ISRAEL	SWITZERLAND
ITALY	TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
JAPAN	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
LATVIA	UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
LIECHTENSTEIN	URUGUAY
LUXEMBOURG	VATICAN HOLY SEE
LITHUANIA	

## 2.2 SECOND GROUP

Nationals from the following list of countries **do not required a visa** to enter Costa Rica.

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	NAURU
BELIZE	NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
BOLIVIA	PALAU
DOMINICA	RUSSIAN FEDERATION
EL SALVADOR	SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS
FIJI	SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES
GRANADA	SAMOA
GUATEMALA	SANTA LUCIA
GUYANA	SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE
HONDURAS	SEYCHELLES
KINGDOM OF TONGA	SOLOMON ISLANDS
KIRIBATI	SURINAME
MALDIVES	TURKEY
MARSHALL ISLANDS	TUVALU
MAURITIUS	VANUATU
MICRONESIA (FEDERATED STATES)	VENEZUELA

## 2.3 THIRD GROUP

Citizens of the following list of countries **require an authorized visa** to enter Costa Rica.

ALBANIA	LESOTHO
ALGERIA	LIBERIA
ANGOLA	LIBYA
ARMENIA	MADACASCAR
AZERBAIJAN	MALAWI
BAHRAIN	MALAYSIA
BELARUS	MALI
BENIN	MAURITANIA
BHUTAN	MOLDOVA
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	MONGOLIA
BOTSWANA	MOROCCO
BRUNEI-DARRUSAL	MOZAMBIQUE

BURKINA FASO (ALTO VOLTA)	NAMIBIA
BURUNDI	NEPAL
CAMBODIA	NICARAGUA
CAMEROON	NIGER
CAPE VERDE	NIGERIA
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	OMAN
CHAD	PAKISTAN
CHINA	PAPUA NEW GUINEA
COLOMBIA	PERU
COMOROS	QATAR
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO (FORMERLY ZAIRE)	REPUBLIC OF CONGO
DJIBOUTI	REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	RWANDA
EAST TIMOR	Saharawi Arab Republic (SAHARA)
ECUADOR	SAUDI ARABIA
EGYPT	SENEGAL
EQUATORIAL GUINEA	SIERRA LEONE
GABON	SUDAN
GAMBIA	SWAZILANDIA
GEORGIA	TAIWAN (REGION)
GHANA	TAJIKISTAN
GUINEA	TANZANIA
GUINEA BISSAU	THAILAND
INDIA	TOGO
INDONESIA	TUNISIA
IVORY COAST	TURKMENISTAN
JORDAN	UGANDA
KAZAKHSTAN	UKRAINE
KENYA	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
KIRQUIZISTÁN	UZBEKISTAN
KOSOVO	VIETNAM
KUWAIT	YEMEN
LAOS PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC	ZAMBIA
LEBANON	ZIMBABWE

## 2.4 FOURTH GROUP

Citizens of the following list of countries will have **a restricted visa** and it's subject to consultation with the Director of Costa Rica's Immigration Office.

AFGHANISTAN	HAITI	MYANMAR (BURMA)
BANGLADESH	IRAN	PALESTINE
CUBA	IRAQ	SRI LANKA
ERITREA	JAMAICA	SOMALIA
ETHIOPIA	DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA	SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC

**\*For Exemptions please contact the closest Costa Rican Embassy or Consulate**

### 3. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS/ YELLOW FEVER VACCINATION

Costa Rica is a country that requests yellow fever vaccination for travelers coming from endemic countries. And in accordance with regulations laid down by the Ministry of Health, individuals who traveled from or through the countries listed below and which have been declared yellow fever infected areas must provide an **International Health Certificate (IHC)** indicating that they have received the proper vaccination.

It should be noted that yellow vaccination should be given at least ten (10) days prior to the date of entrance into the country.

Participants should present the said certificate to the Immigration Officer upon arrival at the port of entry in Costa Rica.

#### **List of Countries:**

Angola- Benin- Bolivia- Brazil- Burkina Faso- Cameroon- Democratic Republic of Congo- Colombia- Ecuador-Guinea- Gabon- Gambia- Ghana- Liberia- Nigeria- Sierra Leone- Sudan- Venezuela- Peru- French Guiana