



# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND VISAS FOR ARUBA

For persons who want to visit Aruba as a tourist, the following applies:

Persons who are considered a tourist are those who travel to Aruba for one of the following purposes: vacation and relaxation, sport, health reasons, family matters, study, religious purposes or a business visit.

During their stay in Aruba tourists are not allowed to work.

Requirements for Entry into Aruba as a Tourist:

- A passport that is valid upon entry and for the duration of stay in Aruba. If the tourist holds a passport from a visa required country (list A), he must have a valid visa sticker in his passport
- A completely filled-in and signed Embarkation and Disembarkation card (ED-card)
- A valid return- or onward ticket
- The necessary documents for returning to the country of origin or to a country that he has the right to enter, for example a valid residence permit (temporary or permanent), a re-entry permit or a (entry) visa
- If so requested, the tourist has to be able to prove to the satisfaction of the migration officer that he has a valid reservation for an accommodation in Aruba (e.g. hotel or apartment) or that he owns property in Aruba (a residence, condominium, apartment, timeshare apartment or a pleasure yacht moored in Aruba with a length of at least 14 meters measured on the water line)

- if so requested, the tourist has to be able to prove to the satisfaction of the migration officer to dispose of adequate financial means to provide for hotel expenses (if applicable) and living expenses during his stay or that he has a declaration of guarantee from a legal resident of Aruba.

The final authorization for admission to Aruba remains with migration officer at the border-crossing/port of entry.

The migration authorities at the border-crossing/port of entry have the authority to grant or refuse admission.

Admission can be refused if not all admission requirements are fulfilled by the time of entering Aruba or if the tourist has been blacklisted.

The entry may be refused if at the time of entry does not meet all requirements for admission or if the tourist appears in the list of people not allowed to Aruba.

### **EXTENSION OF STAY UPON ENTRY**

Upon entry in Aruba, the following persons can apply for an extension of their stay for more than 30 days but not exceeding 180 days:

- Nationals of the Kingdom of the Netherlands can request an extension of their stay for up to 180 consecutive days
- Nationals from the countries mentioned in list A, list B, and visa required persons who are exempt from the visa requirement, can request an extension of their stay for up to 180 consecutive days, if
- They have property in Aruba, i.e. a house, condominium, apartment, time-share, apartment or a pleasure yacht moored in Aruba with a length of at least 14 meters measured from the water line. They must show proof of ownership of the property for a stay of up to 180 days.
- If they do not have property in Aruba, they must have a declaration of guarantee from a resident of Aruba who will act as guarantor for and be liable for any costs incurred during their stay. The guarantor in Aruba can download the declaration of guarantee from our website, following the procedures to have it legalized and sent it to

the visitor abroad; the tourist can request for a stay of up to 90 days.

The migration officer is satisfied that the visitor has sufficient funds to cover his extended stay.

All tourists who apply for an extension of their stay beyond 30 days are required to have travel insurance (medical and liability) valid for the duration of the extended stay.

### **EXTENSION OF STAY AFTER ADMISSION**

If a tourist wants to stay longer than the number of days granted by the immigration officer on the ED-card upon admission, he or she can apply at the office of Dimas for an extension for up to 180 days if applicable.

The form for tourist stay extension is available at the office of the DIMAS, and can also be downloaded from DIMAS Aruba.

An application for an extension of stay can be filed at the DIMAS from Monday to Thursday, from 2:30PM-4:00PM. There is no filing fee for a tourist extension application.

The following documents have to be presented:

- Original application form for extension of tourist stay.
- Copy of the profile page and all the written and stamped pages of the petitioner's passport, valid for at least another 3 months when the extension is applied for.
- Copy Embarkation-Disembarkation card (ED-card).
- Copy of a valid return ticket.
- Copy of travel insurance (medical and liability) valid for the duration of the extended stay.

If petitioners are not staying at their own private residence or at a hotel/resort, they need to present a declaration of guarantee from a resident of Aruba who will act as guarantor for their stay.

Anyone wanting to stay longer than 180 days in Aruba will need a residence permit and will not be considered a tourist.

### LIST A. COUNTRIES WITH THE OBLIGATION OF VISA

Citizens of the following countries require a visa to enter Aruba:

Afganistán	Fiji	Madagascar	Siria
Albania	Filipinas	Malawi	Sierra Leona
Argelia	Gabón	Maldivas	Somalia
Angola	Gambia	Mali	Sudáfrica
Armenia	Georgia	Marruecos	Sri Lanka
Azerbaiján	Ghana	Mauritania	Sudán
Bahrein	Guinea Ecuatorial	Micronesia	Swazilandia
Bangladesh	Guinee-Bissau	Moldova	Tailandia
Belarús	Haiti	Mongolia	Taiwán (portadores de documentos de viajes de Taipei Chino)
Benin	India	Montenegro	Tayikistán
Bhután	Indonesia	Mozambique	Tanzania
Bolivia	Irán	Myanmar	Tímor Oriental
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Irak	Namibia	Togo
Botswana	Islas De Cabo Verde	Nauru	Tonga
Burkina Faso	Islas De Salomón	Nepal	Túnez
Burundi	Islas Marshall	Niger	Turako
Camboya	Isla Mauricio	Nigeria	Turkmenistán
Camerún	Islas Norteñas Mariana	Omán	Turquía
China	Jamaica	Palau	Tuvalu
Colombia	Jordania	Papua-Nueva Guinea	Ucrania
Las Islas Comoros	Kazajstán	Pakistán	Uganda
Congo (Brazzaville)	Kiribati	Perú	Uzbekistán
Congo (Kinshasa)	Kuwait	Qatar	Vanuatu
Corea del Norte	Kyrgyzstan	República de África Central	Vietnam
Costa de Marfil	La Arabia Saudita	República del Chad	Yemen
Cuba	Laos	República Dominicana	Zambia
Djibouti	Libano	República De Guinea	Zimbabwe
Egipto	Lesotho	Rwanda	<b>Autoridad Nacional Palestina</b>
Emiratos Árabes Unidos	Liberia	Samoa	
Eritrea	Libia	Santo Tomé y Príncipe	
Etiopía	Kenia	Serbia	
Federación Rusa	Macedonia	Senegal	

### VISA REQUIRED PERSONS EXEMPTED

The following persons, who normally require a visa, are exempt from this requirement:

- holders of a valid residence permit (temporary or permanent) from ( another part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the United States of America, Canada, The Schengen Territory, United Kingdom, Ireland)

- Colombian or Jamaican nationals who are holders of a valid (entry) visa for the United States of America, Canada, The Schengen Territory (Schengen Visa), United Kingdom or Ireland.
- Those who are continuing (in transit) to a third country within 24 hours or within the same day by aircraft, and holding tickets with reserved seats and all documents required for onward journey.
- Those who arrive by aircraft to board a cruise ship or vice versa (in transit), for a period of maximum 24 hours.
- Cruise ship passengers if they disembark in Aruba as part of their cruise, for a period of maximum 24 hours.
- Children younger than 12 years old, don't need a visa if they are traveling with a parent or guardian.
- Holders of a diplomatic passport, being nationals of Albania, Bolivia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Chad, Indonesia, Jamaica, Macedonia, Malawi, Morocco, Moldova, Montenegro, Pakistan, Peru, Russian Federation, Senegal, Serbia, Thailand, Ukraine, Tunisia, Turkey or the United Arab Emirates.
- Holders of a service passport, being nationals of Bolivia, Indonesia, Jamaica, Malawi, Morocco, Peru, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates.
- Holders of passports or laissez passer issued by the IMF, the World Bank, the United Nations or one of its agencies.
- The crew members of vessels or aircrafts mooring or landing in Aruba for commercial purposes, and who don't pose a threat for the public order and safety of the island or the Kingdom of the Netherlands. This category is exempt from the visa requirement for a period of admission of up to 48 hours.

## **WHERE AND HOW TO APPLY FOR A VISA**

Visa-required tourists need to apply for and have a visitor visa before coming to Aruba.

In principle the visa must be applied for in person at an embassy or consulate of the Kingdom of the Netherlands (diplomatic mission).

In some countries certain approved travel agencies can apply for a visa on behalf of their customers.

For information about the visa requirements, to apply for a visa for Aruba, and for information on appointments/opening hours, the tourist can contact a consulate or embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in his country of residence or visit the websites of the Embassy or consulates concerned.

For address information and websites of Dutch diplomatic missions abroad, visit the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs [www.mfa.nl](http://www.mfa.nl) in (available in English and Dutch only).

### **WHEN DO YOU NEED AN INVITATION/DECLARATION OF GUARANTEE**

A visa-required tourist needs a declaration of guarantee/invitation to apply for a visa if he has been invited to participate in a sports event by an organization on Aruba or if he'll be staying at the home of a relative or an acquaintance.

The person or organization in Aruba who will act as guarantor for the tourist's stay has to declare that they'll guarantee all costs than can arise from the short stay of the tourist in Aruba.

The guarantor is responsible for sending the declaration of guarantee/invitation to the visa-required tourist.

Please note that having the declaration doesn't mean that the visa will be issued.

It is only one of the requirements that the visa applicant has to submit.

The declaration of guarantee/invitation form is available at the office of the DIMAS and can also be downloaded from <http://www.dimasaruba.aw/> as well as the instructions about the relevant procedure.