



THE BAHAMAS CONSULATE GENERAL NEW YORK

Bahamas House

231 East 46th Street

New York, NY 10017

Phone: (212) 421-6420

Office Hours to Public: 9:30am to 3:00pm

STATEMENT REGARDING THE BAHAMAS TOURIST VISA: The Bahamas Consulate General does not issue BUSINESS or SPOUSAL visas or any related work status documents. A short-term work permit issued by the Bahamian Department of Immigration is required for persons on work related travel.

IMPORTANT NOTE: THE BAHAMAS CONSULATE GENERAL NEW YORK WILL BE CLOSED ON ALL AMERICAN AND BAHAMIAN HOLIDAYS

- Thoroughly Completed “Bahamas Visa Application” Form – **(One per applicant regardless of age)**
- A Valid Passport [valid for a minimum of six (6) months]
- A Valid United States Visa or Immigration Status [**Issued by United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Documents and/or Card**]

§ e.g. Valid I-20 form signed by International Foreign Student Advisor

§ e.g. Valid Approval Petition for Immigration and Naturalization Services

- Purchased Itinerary/Ticket Travel Information for each applicant.
- Please also provide notarized **photocopies** of each applicant’s Passport, United States Visa/Immigration Documents, and Travel Itinerary [plane or boat]
- Bank Statement/Bank Letter
- Diplomatic or Note Verbale for all diplomatic/government official applications [**one Note for a family listing all applicants**]
- Standard Letter of Invitation should the applicant be the guest of a Bahamian National, Permanent Resident, Work or Spousal Permit Holder
- 2 Standard Passport Photo on white background **only** (taken within the last **6 months**)
- Pricing Information: (*Cash, Money Order and Drafts Accepted) – **waived for Diplomatic Passport Holders**
[Money Orders and Drafts must be completed thoroughly and made payable to The Bahamas Consulate General New York]

§ Single Entry Visa- \$100.00 (**One-time entry to The Bahamas within the next three months**)

§ Multiple Entry Visa- \$110.00 (**Multiple entries into The Bahamas over the period of six [6] months or one {1} year - MUST QUALIFY: Please inquire about special requirements**)

§ Expedited Fee - \$100.00 + cost of SINGLE or MULTIPLE Entry Visa (**MUST QUALIFY - approved on a case by case basis: Visa application must be received before 12:00pm on regular business day**)



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- Visa processing fees are **non-refundable** and Bahamian visas **are not** guaranteed
- Cash payments in **exact change** only
- The Consulate reserves the right to request any **additional documents** deemed necessary
- Each application is reviewed, and a decision made **independently**
- Documents mailed in must be sent along with a pre-paid trackable courier **envelope** for return after processing
- Processing time: **[Does not include day of receipt of application at Consulate]**
 - "WALK-IN" - **3 Business days**
 - "MAIL-IN" - **5 Business days**
 - "EXPEDITED" - **2 Business days**

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PLEASE NOTE: YELLOW FEVER ALERT

Country requirement: a YELLOW FEVER VACCINATION CERTIFICATE is required from travelers over 1 year of age arriving from countries with risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited more than 12 hours through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. These countries are as follows:

AFRICA:

Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Kenya, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Sao Tome and Principe, South Sudan, Somalia, Sudan, Togo, Uganda and United Republic of Tanzania.

SOUTH AMERICA:

Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, French Guiana, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Venezuela.

Persons that are UNABLE to acquire the vaccine must have documented Proof of Exemption from the vaccination. These include:

- Children less than 12 months of age and persons over 60 years of age
- Persons with allergies to any component of the vaccine
- Persons with severe immune-compromising medical conditions