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## American Samoa

**US State Dept Travel Advisory**

[https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html)

## Passport/Visa Requirements

A foreign national or alien entering the US is generally required to present a passport and valid visa issued by a US Consular Official, unless they are a citizen of a country eligible for the Visa Waiver Program (VWP), or are a lawful permanent resident of the US or a citizen of Canada. The VWP allows foreign nationals from certain countries to be admitted to the US under limited conditions and for a limited time without obtaining a visa. The foreign national must arrive on an approved carrier (if coming by air or sea), stay no more than 90 days (for pleasure, medical purposes, and/or business), and be able to prove they are not inadmissible. The foreign national is still required to have a passport. To obtain a list of VWP-eligible countries and VWP passport requirements, please visit [https://www.dhs.gov and/or visa waiver program requirements](https://www.dhs.gov). Note: all travelers transiting the US are subject to US customs and/or immigration laws.

## US Embassy/Consulate

N/A

## Vaccinations

See WHO recommendations [http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

## Climate

Tropical marine, moderated by southeast trade winds; annual rainfall averages about 3 m (10 feet); rainy season (November to April), dry season (May to October); little seasonal temperature variation; the temperature typically varies from 25°C - 31°C (77°F to 88°F) and is rarely below 23°C (74°F)

## Currency (Code)

US $ (USD)

## Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

120 V / 60 Hz / plug type(s): A, B, F, I

## Major Languages

Samoan 88.6%, English 3.9%, Tonga 2.7%, other Pacific islander 3%, other 1.8%

## Religions

Christian 98.3%, other 1%, unaffiliated 0.7%

## Time Difference

UTC-11 (6 hours behind Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

## Potable Water

Yes

## International Driving Permit

Suggested for non-US citizens.
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<td><strong>Cultural Practices</strong></td>
<td>In a traditional home, called a fale (fah-LAY), sit on the floor before talking, eating, or drinking. Cross your legs or pull a mat over them, as it is impolite to stretch out your legs.</td>
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Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

- **World Health Organization (WHO)** - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. [http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)


To obtain an international driving permit (IDP). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs:

- **American Automobile Association (AAA)** ([www.aaa.com](http://www.aaa.com))
- **American Automobile Touring Alliance (AATA)** ([www.aataidp.com](http://www.aataidp.com))

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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