Burundi

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently warns US citizens to RECONSIDER TRAVEL to this country due to elections, crime, health, and political violence. Consult its website via the link below for any updates to this advisory. Global Health Advisory: Do Not Travel. Avoid all international travel due to the global impact of COVID-19

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any entry stamp and or visa that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country’s embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa prior to visiting the country.

US Embassy/Consulate

[257] 22-207-000; US Embassy in Bujumbura, B.P. 1720, Avenue Des Etats-Unis, Bujumbura, Burundi

Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for all travelers. See WHO recommendations.

http://www.who.int

Climate

Equatorial; high plateau with considerable altitude variation (772 m to 2,670 m above sea level); average annual temperature varies with altitude from 23 to 17°C but is generally moderate as the average altitude is about 1,700 m; average annual rainfall is about 150 cm; two wet seasons (February to May and September to November), and 2 dry seasons (June to August and December to January)

Currency (Code)

Burundian francs (BIF)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

220 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): C, E

Major Languages

Kirundi 29.7%, French 0.3%, Swahili 0.2%, English 1%, Kirundi and French 8.4%, Kirundi, French and English 2.4%, other language combinations 2%, unspecified 56.9%

Religions

Roman Catholic 62.1%, Protestant 23.9%, Muslim 2.5%, other 3.6%, unspecified 7.9%

Time Difference

UTC+2 (7 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)
Potable Water
Opt for bottled water.

International Driving Permit
Suggested

Road Driving Side
Right

Cultural Practices
Dress is taken seriously, and therefore jeans, t-shirts, and running shoes are considered very casual and are only acceptable for outdoor activities and on weekends.

Telephone Code
257

Local Emergency Phone Numbers
Local numbers only

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


To obtain an international driving permit (IDP). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association (AAA) (www.aaa.com) and American Automobile Touring Alliance (AATA) (www.aataidp.com)

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

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