The Bahamas

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 2 blank pages in their passport for any entry stamps that will be required. A visa is not required.

Vaccinations
An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. See WHO recommendations

Climate
Tropical marine; moderated by warm waters of Gulf Stream

Currency (Code)
Bahamian dollars (BSD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)
120 V / 60 Hz / plug type(s): A, B

Major Languages
English, Creole

Religions
Protestant, Catholic

Time Difference
UTC-5 (same time as Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins second Sunday in March, ends first Sunday in November

Potable Water
Yes, but some people opt for bottled water.

International Driving Permit
Suggested

Road Driving Side
Left

Cultural Practices
It is common for strangers to wish each other "good morning/afternoon."

Telephone Code
242
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) and [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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