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Tajikistan

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens DO NOT TRAVEL to Tajikistan due to COVID-19. Exercise increased caution in Tajikistan due to terrorism. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws and special circumstances in this country.

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 each entry stamp/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.

If travel originates from a country without an Embassy of Tajikistan, it is possible for a traveler to purchase a visa upon arrival at the airport; however, the traveler will need to first apply for a visa online with the Tajikistani Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA), receive a pre-approval confirmation, and a Letter of Invitation from the US Embassy Dushanbe prior to arrival.

US Embassy/ Consulate 992-37-229-2000, 992-37-229-2300, (consular direct line); EMER: 992-98-580-1032; US Embassy Dushanbe, 109A, Ismoili Somoni Avenue, Dushanbe, Tajikistan 734019; DushanbeConsular@state.gov; https://tj.usembassy.gov/

Telephone Code 992

Local Emergency

Phone

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Vaccinations See WHO recommendations

http://www.who.int

Climate Mid-latitude continental, hot summers, mild winters; semiarid to polar in Pamir

Mountains

Currency (Code) Tajikistani somoni (TJS)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug

Type(s)

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



Major Languages Tajik, Uzbek, Kyrgyz, Russian

Religions Muslim 98% (Sunni 95%, Shia 3%), other 2%

Time Difference UTC+5 (10 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water Opt for bottled water.

International Driving

Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side Right

Tourist destinations Dushanbe; Pamir Highway; Jisev Valley Hiking; Iskanderkul Lake; Murghab; Bulunkul

& Yashilkul Lakes Trekking

Major Sports Baseball, soccer, basketball, golf, softball

Cultural PracticesBest not to use your left hand for exchanges of money, gifts, shaking hands, or

passing food. The use of ones left hand is considered unclean.

Tipping Guidelines It is standard to tip a bellhop \$1 (USD) per bag; although not expected, tipping the

hotel cleaning staff is appropriate. Taxi drivers do not expect tips.

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

<u>US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens.</u> https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html

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)

How to get help in an emergency? Contact the nearest US embassy or consulate, or call one of these numbers:

from the US or Canada - 1-888-407-4747 or from Overseas - +1 202-501-4444

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