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## **Poland**

**US State Dept Travel** 

**Advisory** 

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens DO NOT TRAVEL to Poland due to COVID-19. 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. No need for blank pages for entry stamp. A visa is not required as long as you do not stay in

the country more than 89 days.

US Embassy/ Consulate [48] (22) 504-2000; US Embassy Warsaw, Aleje Ujazdowskie 29/31, 00-540 Warsaw,

Poland; acswarsaw@state.gov; https://pl.usembassy.gov/

Telephone Code 48

**Local Emergency** 

**Phone** 

112, 999

Vaccinations See WHO recommendations

http://www.who.int

Climate

Temperate with cold, cloudy, moderately severe winters with frequent precipitation; mild summers with frequent showers and thundershowers

Currency (Code) Zlotych (PLN)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug

Type(s)

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



Major Languages Polish, Silesian

Religions Catholic 85.9% (includes Roman Catholic, Greek Catholic, Armenian Catholic, and

Byzantine-Slavic Catholic), Orthodox 1.3%, Protestant 0.4%

Time Difference UTC+1 (6 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving

time: +1hr, begins last Sunday in March, ends last Sunday in October

**Potable Water** Opt for bottled water.

**International Driving** 

**Permit** 

Suggested

Road Driving Side Right

Tourist destinations Gdansk Old Town; Bialowieza Forest; Wieliczka & Bochnia Royal Salt Mine; Malbork

Castle; Slowinski Sand Dunes; Masurian Lakeland; Wawel Castle & Cathedral; Krakow; Warsaw (includes Wilanow Palace, Palace on the Water); Auschwitz

Major Sports Soccer, motorsports, volleyball, ski jumping, track and field

**Cultural Practices** Many households will ask you to remove your shoes upon entry.

**Tipping Guidelines** Tipping is expected for good service in restaurants, especially in tourist areas such

as Krakow or Warsaw. The norm is to tip around 10-15%. Hotel housekeepers do not expect a tip, but leaving a small amount (10 zlotych), is appreciated. Tipping a

tour driver 10-15% is customary.

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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