## NOTICES FROM MEMBER STATES

Information pursuant to Council Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement (a)

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This publication is based on information communicated by the Member States to the Commission in accordance with Article 5 of the Regulation as at 5 February 2008 (b).

In addition to the information published in the Official Journal, a regular update is available on the website of the Directorate-General for Justice, Freedom and Security (c).

- 1. Exemptions from the visa requirement by virtue of Article 4(1)
- 1.1. The visa requirement is waived for the following categories of persons originating in the countries indicated in the left-hand column
- D = Holders of diplomatic passports (1)
- S = Holders of service passports/official passports
- SP = Holders of special passports

	BNL (2)	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO
AFGHANISTAN																									
ALBANIA	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)		D (5)				
ALGERIA					D			DS	D	DS				D	DS				D		DS				
ANGOLA															D			DS							
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA							DS																		

<sup>(</sup>a) OJ L 81, 21.3.2001, p. 1.

<sup>(</sup>b) In accordance with Article 1 of the protocol on the position of Ireland and the United Kingdom annexed to the Treaty on the European Union and to the European Community Treaty and without prejudice to Article 4 thereof, the provisions of Council Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 are not applied by Ireland or the United Kingdom.

<sup>(</sup>c) http://ec.europa.eu/justice home/doc centre/freetravel/visa/doc freetravel visa en.htm

	BNL (2)	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO
ARMENIA		D									DS	DS	D	DS			D		DS		DS				
AZERBAIJAN		DS												DS	D				DS		DS				
BAHAMAS																DS									
BAHRAIN																									
BANGLADESH																									
BARBADOS										DS						DS									
BELARUS														DS	D		D (3)		DS (3)		DS				
BELIZE															D	D									
BENIN										DS							DS								
BHUTAN																									
BOLIVIA	DS		DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS + SP						DS			DS	DS	DS	DS	DS		DS
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S (3)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)						
BOTSWANA										DS															
BURKINA FASO										DS															
BURUNDI																									
CAMBODIA														DS							DS + SP				
CAMEROON																									
CAPE VERDE																		DS							
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC																			DS						
CHAD	D				DS																				
CHINA (PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF)		DS (4)									DS		DS	DS	DS		DS		DS	DS	DS + SP				
COLOMBIA			DS		DS			DS		DS				DS	DS				DS		DS				
COMOROS																									
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CONGO																			DS						
CONGO (DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF)																									
CÔTE D'IVOIRE																DS									
CUBA											DS			DS	D					DS					
DJIBOUTI																									
DOMINICA										DS															
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC																									
ECUADOR	DS							DS	DS	DS					D	DS	DS + SP		DS + SP	D					
EGYPT			DS							DS	DS				DS					DS	DS + SP				
EQUATORIAL GUINEA																									
ERITREA																									
ETHIOPIA																									
FIJI																									
FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)S		DS
GABON									D																
GAMBIA										DS					D										
GEORGIA		D				D								DS	D				DS		DS				
GHANA					DS										D				DS						
GRENADA																									
GUINEA															D				DS						

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GUINEA-BISSAU																									
GUYANA										DS					D										
HAITI																									
INDIA				DS	D									DS	D				D						
INDONESIA	DS														D										
IRAN		DS (3)									DS			D	D		D (3)		D						
IRAQ																									
JAMAICA	DS				D										D	DS				D					
JORDAN															D				D		DS				
KAZAKHSTAN														DS	D				D		DS				
KENYA					D										D										
KIRIBATI																									
KOREA (NORTH)		DS																							
KUWAIT										DS					D										
KYRGYZSTAN														DS	D				DS						
LAOS			DS											DS			DS				DS + SP				
LEBANON															D										
LESOTHO										DS					D										
LIBERIA																									
LIBYA															DS										
MADAGASCAR																									

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MALAWI	DS				D																				
MALDIVES															D	DS				D					
MALI															D										
MARSHALL ISLANDS															D										
MAURITANIA										DS					D				DS						
MAURITIUS																									
MICRONESIA																									
MOLDOVA	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)						
MONGOLIA		DS (3)	DS											DS	D				DS		DS				
MONTENEGRO	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)		
MOROCCO	DS	DS	DS	DS	D		DS	D	D	DS			D	DS	D	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS + SP	D	D		DS + SP
MOZAMBIQUE																		DS							
MYANMAR																									
NAMIBIA					D										D										
NAURU																									
NEPAL															D										
NIGER										DS															
NIGERIA															D										
NORTHERN MARIANA																									
OMAN															D										
PAKISTAN	D		DS	DS	D		D								D	DS			DS (3)		DS	DS		DS	DS
PALAU																									

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PAPUA NEW GUINEA																									
PERU	DS	DS	DS	DS	D	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS		D + SP		DS	D	DS	DS		D + SP	DS	DS + SP	DS			
PHILIPPINES			DS	DS	DS		DS	DS		DS				DS	D	DS	DS		DS	DS	DS	DS	DS		DS + SP
QATAR															D										
RUSSIA	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)		D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)		D (5)
RWANDA																									
SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS																									
SAINT LUCIA																									
SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES																									
SAMOA															D										
SÃO TOMÉ AND PRÍNCIPE																		DS	DS						
SAUDI ARABIA															D										
SENEGAL	D								D						D				DS						
SERBIA	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)		
SEYCHELLES											DS			DS	D	D									
SIERRA LEONE															D				DS						
SOLOMON ISLANDS																									
SOMALIA																									
SOUTH AFRICA		DS	DS		D		DS		DS					DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS				DS	DS
SRI LANKA															D										
SUDAN															D										

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SURINAME																									
SWAZILAND										DS				D	D										
SYRIA															D										
TAJIKISTAN														DS					DS						
TANZANIA																			DS						
THAILAND	DS		DS	DS	DS					DS				DS	D	DS	DS		DS	DS	DS	DS	DS		DS
TIMOR-LESTE															D										
TOGO										DS															
TONGA																									
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO																DS									
TUNISIA	DS		DS	D	D		DS	D	D	DS				DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS + SP	D	D		D
TURKEY	DS	DS (3)	DS	DS + SP	DS + SP	D	DS	DS + SP	DS + SP	DS + SP		DS + SP	DS + SP	DS	D	DS	DS	D	DS + SP	DS + SP					
TURKMENISTAN														DS	D				DS		DS				
TUVALU																									
UGANDA										DS					D										
UKRAINE	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)S	D (4)	D (4)		
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	D + SP				D + SP				DS	D + SP					D										
UZBEKISTAN														D	D				D		DS				
VANUATU															D										
VIETNAM		DS	D						D					DS	D						D				
YEMEN			DS											D	D						DS + SP				

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ZAMBIA															D				DS						
ZIMBABWE							DS																		
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	BNL (²)	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	ΙΤ	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO
PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY															D										
TAIWAN																									

- (1) The exemption from the visa requirement for holders of diplomatic passports indicated in the table refers to diplomats travelling on official business for short stays, without prejudice to the rules applying to diplomats travelling to the Member States where they are or will be accredited.
- (2) Benelux: In application of the Convention of 11 April 1960, and in particular Article 3 thereof, the Benelux countries have a harmonised policy on short-stay visas for third countries.
- (3) Up to 30 days' stay.
- (4) In compliance with the Agreements between the European Community and the following countries on the facilitation of the issuance of visas:

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     The Russian Federation (OJ L 129, 17.5.2007, p. 27). The agreement entered into force on 1 June 2007.

     The Republic of Albania (OJ L 334, 19.12.2007, p. 85). The agreement entered into force on 1 January 2008.

     Bosnia and Herzegovina (OJ L 334, 19.12.2007, p. 97). The agreement entered into force on 1 January 2008.

     The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (OJ L 334, 19.12.2007, p. 125). The agreement entered into force on 1 January 2008.

     The Republic of Montenegro (OJ L 334, 19.12.2007, p. 109). The agreement entered into force on 1 January 2008.

     The Republic of Serbia (OJ L 334, 19.12.2007, p. 137). The agreement entered into force on 1 January 2008.

     Ukraine (OJ L 332, 18.12.2007, p. 68). The agreement entered into force on 1 January 2008.

     Ukraine (OJ L 332, 18.12.2007, p. 68). The agreement entered into force on 1 January 2008.
- (5) The accredited ambassador and the ambassador's family are exempted from the visa requirement.
- Holv See (Vatican City State)
  - Holders of Vatican passports, irrespective of their nationality, are exempted from the visa requirement by Germany, Sweden, the Czech Republic, Latvia, Denmark, Slovakia, Poland, France, Bulgaria, Slovenia and Finland. Holders of valid identity cards issued by the authorities of the Vatican City State are exempted from the visa requirement by Denmark and Slovakia.

  - Holders of valid ordinary, diplomatic or service passports issued by the competent authorities of the Vatican City State may enter the Benelux countries without a visa.
- Holders of diplomatic and service passports of the Vatican City State are exempted from the visa requirement by Austria.
- Sovereign Military Order of Malta
- Holders of diplomatic and service passports of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta are exempted from the visa requirement by Poland.
- Holders of diplomatic passports of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta are exempted from the visa requirement by Austria.
- Holders of passports of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta are exempted from the visa requirement by Slovenia.

## 1.2. Visa exemption for other categories mentioned in Article 4(1)

#### — Civilian air crew members:

Civilian air crew members are, in principle, exempted from the visa requirement by the Member States if they hold licences and certificates within the meaning of Annexes 1 to 9 to the Chicago Convention on International Civil Aviation.

However, the visa requirement is maintained:

— by France for crew members who are nationals of countries who are non-signatories of the Chicago Convention.

Civilian sea crew members may be exempted from the visa requirement by the Member States if they hold seafarer's identity documents issued in accordance with the International Labour Organisation Conventions (No 108 of 1958 and No 185 of 2003) or the IMO London Convention of 9 April 1965 (FAL) on the facilitation of international maritime traffic.

### In practice:

— Civilian sea crew members:

- in the case of shore leave: the exemption is applied to crew members with the exception of Sweden and Germany,
- in the case of transit: the visa requirement is maintained for crew members by all States with the exception of Norway.

Comment by Norway: Holders of a Philippine 'Seafarer's Identification and Record Book' and/or a Philippine national passport are exempted from the visa requirement (see the shipping agreement of October 1999 between the Philippines and Norway). The holder must produce written confirmation from the shipowner or the shipowner's representative that the holder is to take up a post on a ship in a Norwegian port.

## Civilian crew members on international inland waterways:

#### — The Rhine:

Belgium, Germany, France, Luxembourg and the Netherlands exempt civilian crew members on the Rhine from the visa requirement provided they hold a travel document containing a trilingual stamp or comment identifying them as Rhine boatmen in accordance with the resolutions of the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine.

#### — The Danube:

Germany and Austria exempt civilian crew members on the Danube from the visa requirement provided they hold a document identifying them as Danube boatmen and they are on the crew list.

In the case of Austria, the exemption from the visa requirement is valid only for the duration of the transit, provided the company owning the ship is based abroad and the ship's crew do not leave the ship or the port.

## - Flight crew and attendants on emergency or rescue flights and other helpers in the event of a disaster or accident:

Hungary exempts persons in this category from the visa requirement.

# — Laissez-passer issued by international organisations to their officials:

#### General comments:

Portugal: holders of such laissez-passer do not qualify for any visa exemption.

Comments relating to particular organisations:

document are exempted from the visa requirement.

— Exemption from the visa requirement for officials of particular organisations:

Austria: beneficiaries of privileges and immunities who have been issued with a specific identity

Y = YesN = No

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United Nations	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N		N	N	Y	Y (3)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N		Y	Y	Y	Y (2)	Y	Y
North Atlantic Treaty Organisation	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y		Y	N	N		Y	Y			Y	Y		N	Y	Y
Customs Cooperation Council	Y	N	N		N	N		N	N			N	N	N		N	N			N	N	N	N		
Council of Europe	Y (4)								Y					Y	Y	Y					Y	N	N		

- (1) Norway: Norway waives the visa requirement for the following persons and their spouse/cohabitant and dependent children:
  - (a) representatives to the UN;
  - (b) civil servants with a permanent post with the UN or in a UN special organisation;
  - (c) judges at the International Court or civil servants in the Court's secretariat;
  - (d) other persons acting for a special organisation of the UN or the Court;
  - (e) foreigners with a UN laissez-passer (issued in accordance with the special agreement with the UN).
  - United Nations: The exemption from the visa requirement indicated in the table by Member States applies to holders of UN laissez-passer.
- (2) Sweden: The exemption from the visa requirement for the United Nations applies to employees of the UN who are on duty and who hold a certificate issued by the UN to certify this.
- The Republic of Cyprus requires no visa for holders of sky-blue and red UN laissez-passer. For holders of the white laissez-passer (refugees), a visa is required. In addition, holders of the SHIRBRIG, Planning Element Official, identification card issued by the Chief of Defence in Denmark are exempted from the visa requirement by Denmark.
- Customs Cooperation Council: The exemption from the visa requirement by Benelux indicated in the table applies to holders of laissez-passer issued by the Secretary-General of the Customs Cooperation Council.
- Council of Europe: The exemption from the visa requirement by Benelux indicated in the table applies to holders of laissez-passer issued by the Secretary-General of the Council of Europe.
  - Exemption from the visa requirement by virtue of Article 4(2)
  - 2.1. Visa exemption granted to school pupils who are nationals of a third country indicated in the left-hand column, reside in a third country listed in Annex II to the Regulation or in Switzerland or in Liechtenstein and are travelling in the context of a school excursion as members of a group of school pupils accompanied by a teacher from the school in question:

# S = School pupils

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AFGHANISTAN															S		S				S		S				
ALBANIA															S		S				S		S				
ALGERIA															S		S				S		S				

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ANGOLA															S		S				S		S				
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA															S		S				S		S				
ARMENIA															S		S				S		S				
AZERBAIJAN															S		S				S		S				
BAHAMAS															S		S				S		S				
BAHRAIN															S		S				S		S				
BANGLADESH															S		S				S		S				
BARBADOS															S		S				S		S				
BELARUS															S		S				S		S				
BELIZE															S		S				S		S				
BENIN															S		S				S		S				
BHUTAN															S		S				S		S				
BOLIVIA															S		S				S		S				
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA															S		S				S		S				
BOTSWANA															S		S				S		S				
BURKINA FASO															S		S				S		S				
BURUNDI															S		S				S		S				
CAMBODIA															S		S				S		S				
CAMEROON															S		S				S		S				
CAPE VERDE															S		S				S		S				
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC															S		S				S		S				_ <b>_</b>

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CHAD															S		S				S		S				
CHINA (PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF)															S		S				S		S				
COLOMBIA															S		S				S		S				
COMOROS															S		S				S		S				
CONGO															S		S				S		S				
CONGO (DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF)															S		S				S		S				
CÔTE D'IVOIRE															S		S				S		S				
CUBA															S		S				S		S				
DJIBOUTI															S		S				S		S				
DOMINICA															S		S				S		S				
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC															S		S				S		S				
ECUADOR															S		S				S		S				
EGYPT															S		S				S		S				
EQUATORIAL GUINEA															S		S				S		S				
ERITREA															S		S				S		S				
ETHIOPIA															S		S				S		S				
FIJI															S		S				S		S				
FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA															S		S				S		S				
GABON															S		S				S		S				
GAMBIA															S		S				S		S				
GEORGIA															S		S				S		S				

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GHANA															S		S				S		S				
GRENADA															S		S				S		S				
GUINEA															S		S				S		S				
GUINEA-BISSAU															S		S				S		S				
GUYANA															S		S				S		S				
HAITI															S		S				S		S				
INDIA															S		S				S		S				
INDONESIA															S		S				S		S				
IRAN															S		S				S		S				
IRAQ															S		S				S		S				
JAMAICA															S		S				S		S				
JORDAN															S		S				S		S				
KAZAKHSTAN															S		S				S		S				
KENYA															S		S				S		S				
KIRIBATI															S		S				S		S				
KOREA (NORTH)															S		S				S		S				
KUWAIT															S		S				S		S				
KYRGYZSTAN															S		S				S		S				
LAOS															S		S				S		S				
LEBANON															S		S				S		S				
LESOTHO															S		S				S		S				
LIBERIA															S		S				S		S				

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LIBYA															S		S				S		S				
MADAGASCAR															S		S				S		S				
MALAWI															S		S				S		S				
MALDIVES															S		S				S		S				
MALI															S		S				S		S				
MARSHALL ISLANDS															S		S				S		S				
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MONGOLIA															S		S				S		S				
MONTENEGRO															S		S				S		S				
MOROCCO															S		S				S		S				
MOZAMBIQUE															S		S				S		S				
MYANMAR															S		S				S		S				
NAMIBIA															S		S				S		S				
NAURU															S		S				S		S				
NEPAL															S		S				S		S				
NIGER															S		S				S		S				
NIGERIA															S		S				S		S				
NORTHERN MARIANA															S		S				S		S				
OMAN															S		S				S		S				
PAKISTAN															S		S				S		S				

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PAPUA NEW GUINEA															S		S				S		S				
PERU															S		S				S		S				
PHILIPPINES															S		S				S		S				
QATAR															S		S				S		S				
RUSSIA															S		S				S		S				
RWANDA															S		S				S		S				
SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS															S		S				S		S				
SAINT LUCIA															S		S				S		S				
SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES															S		S				S		S				
SAMOA															S		S				S		S				
SÃO TOMÉ AND PRÍNCIPE															S		S				S		S				
SAUDI ARABIA															S		S				S		S				
SENEGAL															S		S				S		S				
SERBIA															S		S				S		S				
SEYCHELLES															S		S				S		S				
SIERRA LEONE															S		S				S		S				
SOLOMON ISLANDS															S		S				S		S				
SOMALIA															S		S				S		S				
SOUTH AFRICA															S		S				S		S				
SRI LANKA															S		S				S		S				

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SUDAN															S		S				S		S				
SURINAME															S		S				S		S				
SWAZILAND															S		S				S		S				
SYRIA															S		S				S		S				
TAJIKISTAN															S		S				S		S				
TANZANIA															S		S				S		S				
THAILAND															S		S				S		S				
TIMOR-LESTE															S		S				S		S				
TOGO															S		S				S		S				
TONGA															S		S				S		S				
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO															S		S				S		S				
TUNISIA															S		S				S		S				
TURKEY															S		S				S		S				
TURKMENISTAN															S		S				S		S				
TUVALU															S		S				S		S				
UGANDA															S		S				S		S				
UKRAINE															S		S				S		S				
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES															S		S				S		S				
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VIETNAM															S		S				S		S				
YEMEN															S		S				S		S				
ZAMBIA															S		S				S		S				
ZIMBABWE															S		S				S		S				

2.2. Visa exemption for refugees and stateless persons who are legally resident in one of the countries indicated in the left-hand column and are in possession of a travel document issued by the competent authorities of that country

R = Visa-exempted refugees

A = Visa-exempted stateless persons

	BNL	BG	CZ	DK	DE (1)	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO
ANDORRA					R (2)A (2)				RA					RA							R				
ARGENTINA					RA									RA							R				
AUSTRALIA					RA									RA							R				
BRAZIL					RA									RA							R				
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM					R (2)A (2)									RA							R				
CANADA					RA (2)									RA							R				
CHILE					RA (2)									RA							R				
COSTA RICA					RA									RA							R				
CROATIA					RA									RA							R				
EL SALVADOR					RA (2)									RA							R				
GUATEMALA					RA									RA							R				
HOLY SEE	_			_	RA (2)		_	_	_	_				RA		_					R				
HONDURAS					RA (2)									RA							R				

<sup>(</sup>¹) Cyprus: A national collective visa is required. (²) Sweden: School pupils under 18 years old.

	BNL	BG	CZ	DK	DE (1)	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO
ISRAEL					RA									RA							R				
JAPAN					RA (2)									RA							R				
KOREA (SOUTH)					RA									RA							R				
MALAYSIA					R (2)A (2)									RA							R				
MEXICO					RA									RA							R				
MONACO					RA (2)				RA					RA							R				
NEW ZEALAND					RA (2)									RA							R				
NICARAGUA					RA (2)									RA							R				
PANAMA					RA (2)									RA							R				
PARAGUAY					RA (2)									RA							R				
SAN MARINO					R (2)A (2)									RA							R				
SINGAPORE					R (2)A (2)									RA							R				
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA)					RA (²)									RA							R				
URUGUAY					RA (2)									RA							R				
VENEZUELA					R (2)A (2)									RA							R				
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	BNL	BG	CZ	DK	DE (1)	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO
HONG KONG S.A.R.					R (2)A									RA											
MACAO S.A.R.					R (2)A									RA											

<sup>(1)</sup> The general requirement is that the person must hold a valid travel document issued in accordance with the rules in the Agreement of 15 October 1946 regarding the issue of travel documents to refugees, the Convention relating Status of Refugees of 28 July 1951 or the Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons of 28 September 1954. The travel document must contain an authorisation to return which has a sufficiently long period of validity.

(2) For Germany: Applies in each case from the date of entry into force of the agreements and conventions referred to in footnote (1) on the issue of travel documents to refugees and stateless persons.

2.3. Visa exemption granted by Member States to members of the armed forces travelling on NATO or Partnership for Peace business and holders of identification and movement orders provided for by the Agreement of 19 June 1951 between the Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation regarding the status of their forces

# X = Visa exemption

	BNL	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO
Members of the armed forces travelling on NATO or Partnership for Peace busi- ness and holders of identification and movement orders provided for by the Agreement of 19 June 1951		X (1)		X								X				X	X				X		X		X (2)

<sup>(1)</sup> Comment by Bulgaria: The exemption from the visa requirement for the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation applies to holders of a valid travel document or a travel order issued by NATO headquarters, when they are on duty visits for a maximum of ninety (90) days during any half-year.

3. Exceptions to the exemption from the visa requirement by virtue of Article 4(1)

A visa obligation is applied to the following categories of persons originating in the countries indicated in the left-hand column

D = Holders of diplomatic passports

A = Civilian aircrew

S = Holders of service passports/official passports

C = Civilian sea crew

	BNL	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO
AUSTRALIA		DS									DSAC						DS (6)								
ISRAEL									SA (¹)C (²) (⁵)		DSAC														

<sup>(2)</sup> Comment by Norway: Norway waives the visa requirement for military personnel from a NATO Member State and for military personnel attached to an allied headquarters on an official mission with a travel order issued by the relevant authority in the sender State or in NATO. Please note that for these categories Norway also exempts their family members (spouses/cohabitant and dependent children).

Norway also waives the visa requirement for members of US, Canadian or British troops stationed in Europe and for military personnel who are going to be stationed or going to participate in exercises on Norwegian territory in accordance with the Treaty of Partnership for Peace. The exemption from the visa requirement in these categories does not include spouses and children.

	BNL	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NC
MEXICO											DSAC													DS	
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA)		DS					DS	DS (3) (5)	DS (4)A (1)C (2) (5)		DSAC						DS ( <sup>7</sup> )	DS (4)							

- (1) France: Although the United States of America and Israel are signatories to the Chicago Convention, the visa requirement is nevertheless maintained for crew members who are nationals of those two countries.
  (2) France: Although the United States of America and Israel are signatories to the 1965 London Convention, the visa requirement is nevertheless maintained for crew members who are nationals of those two countries.
  (3) Spain: For the United States of America, holders of diplomatic or service/official passports on official missions or official visits are subject to the visa requirement. The visa is not necessary when they enter in application of the Hispanic-North American Convention of 1 May 1988.
- (4) France and Portugal: Only when the holders of diplomatic or official duty passports are on mission.
- (5) If travelling on official business.
- (9) Poland: For holders of D/S passports on mission.
   (7) Poland: For holders of D/S passports on mission (visas valid for not longer than 4 years).

# 4. Exceptions to the exemption from the visa requirement by virtue of Article 4(3)

Persons originating in the countries indicated in the left-hand column are subject to the visa requirement when carrying out a paid activity during their stay

# E = Paid activity

	BNL	BG (5)	CZ	DK	DE (4)	EE (3)	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY (8)	LV	LT (6)	HU	MT (9)	AT (10)	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI (7)	SE	IS	NO
ANDORRA			Е		Е	Е	Е	E (1)		Е	E	E	Е	Е	Е	E	Е	Е	Е		E				
ARGENTINA			Е		Е	Е	Е	Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	E		Е				
AUSTRALIA			E			E	E	Е	E	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	E	Е	Е	E		E				
BRAZIL			Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	E	Е	Е	E		Е				
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM			Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	E		Е				
CANADA			Е			E	Е	Е	E (2)	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е			E				
CHILE			Е		Е	E	Е	Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е		E				
COSTA RICA			Е		Е	E	E	Е		Е	Е	Е	E	E	Е	Е	Е	Е	E		E				

	BNL	BG (5)	CZ	DK	DE (4)	EE (3)	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY (8)	LV	LT (6)	HU	MT (9)	AT (10)	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI (7)	SE	IS	NO
CROATIA			E		Е	Е	E	Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
EL SALVADOR			Е		Е	Е	E	Е		Е	E	Е	E	E	E	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
GUATEMALA			Е		Е	Е	Е	Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
HOLY SEE			Е		Е	E	Е	Е				Е	Е	Е	E	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
HONDURAS			Е		Е	Е	E	Е		Е	Е	Е	E	E	E	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
ISRAEL			Е			Е	E	Е		Е	Е	Е	E	E	E	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
JAPAN			Е			E	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е			Е				
KOREA (SOUTH)			Е			E	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	E	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
MALAYSIA			Е		Е	E	Е	Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
MEXICO			Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
MONACO			Е		Е	E	Е	Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
NEW ZEALAND			Е			E	Е	Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
NICARAGUA			Е		Е	E	Е	Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
PANAMA			Е		Е	Е	Е	Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
PARAGUAY			Е		Е	Е	Е	Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				
SAN MARINO			Е		Е	E	E	Е			Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	E	Е	Е		Е				
SINGAPORE			Е		Е	E	E	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	E	Е	Е		Е				
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA)			Е			Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е			Е				

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URUGUAY			E		Е	E	E	E		Е	Е	E	Е	E	E	E	E	E	E		E				
VENEZUELA			Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	E	Е	Е		Е				

	BNL	BG (5)	CZ	DK	DE (4)	EE (3)	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY (8)	LV	LT (6)	HU	MT (9)	AT (10)	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI (7)	SE	IS	NO
HONG KONG S.A.R.			E		Е	E	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	E	Е	E	E	E	E		Е				1
MACAO S.A.R.			Е		Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е		Е				

- (1) Comment by Spain: Andorran nationals are exempted from the visa requirement when carrying out an economic activity during their stay, except if they exercise an independent profession.
- (2) Comment by France: For Canada, the visa requirement applies only to young Canadians coming to France under the Agreement of 3 October 2003 between the government of Canada and the government of the French Republic concerning youth exchanges.
- (3) Comment by Estonia: In order to work in Estonia, aliens must hold a work permit/residence permit for employment. Registration of short-term employment is needed for aliens who arrive/stay in Estonia either on the basis of a visa (D-type) or on a visa-free basis (unless any international agreement stipulates otherwise) and this cannot exceed a period of six months a year.
- (4) Comments by Germany: The following groups of employees are not considered as carrying out a paid activity and are therefore exempted from the visa requirement under the specified conditions:
  - seamen holding a German seaman's book ('Seefahrtbuch') and a national passport issued by the authorities listed in Annex II only if they are crew members of a ship which is authorised to fly the flag of Germany or staying on the territory of Germany.
  - pilots for sea and coastal navigation exercising their profession,
  - in navigation on the Rhine and Danube, including the Main-Danube canal, for entry in order to transport persons or goods: third-country nationals working on a ship registered in a foreign country for an enterprise with its seat in a foreign country, who have a recognised passport or, in lieu, a passport certifying their status as engaged in navigation on the Rhine or holders of a special passport recognised in lieu, for example a 'Donauschifferausweis' or seaman's book ('Seefahrtbuch') and who are on the crew list. The stay must be directly related to the aims of the navigating profession.
  - Self-employed professions are also understood as paid activity. Some special activities are not regarded as paid activity (§ 17.2 of the ordinance on residence in conjunction with § 16 of the ordinance on employment; for example, special drivers). These persons may enter visa-free under the conditions specifically set out.
- (5) Comment by Bulgaria; In order to work in Bulgaria, aliens must hold a work permit and a long-term visa for first entry. After they have entered Bulgaria, the competent immigration authorities issue a residence permit entitling aliens to stay, leave and re-enter the territory of Bulgaria without any other visa authorisation.
- (6) Comment by Lithuania: In order to work in Lithuania, aliens must hold a work permit (with the exceptions indicated in Order No A1-179 of the Minister of Social Security and Labour of 16 July 2004) and a residence permit, which can be obtained on the territory of Lithuania.
- (7) Comment by Finland: A residence permit for an employed person is required in order to work.
- (8) Comment by Cyprus: In order to work in Cyprus, aliens must hold a work permit and a residence permit, in accordance with the Aliens & Immigration Law (Chapter 105) and the relevant Regulation No 242/72.
- (9) Comment by Malta: In order to work in Malta, aliens must hold a work permit/residence permit for employment.
- (10) Comment by Austria: In Austria, the following special provisions apply to issuing visas for gainful activities:
  - Visa-free seasonal and harvest workers may enter Austria without a D + C visa and obtain a work permit after a clearance certificate has been issued by the competent aliens police authority.
  - For other, merely temporary, independent or dependent employment, aliens who are exempt from the visa requirement may take up their activities only after a residence travel visa (D + C visa) has been issued.