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Information

Information pursuant to Council Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 of 15 March 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 ⁽¹⁾

This publication is based on information communicated by the Member States to the Commission in accordance with Article 5 of the Regulation as at 20/07/2009 ⁽²⁾.

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 ⁽³⁾.

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

S = holders of service passports/official passports

SP = holders of special passports.

	BNL (1)	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO	CH	
AFGHANISTAN																											
ALBANIA	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(3)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)		D(4)	D	
ALGERIA					D		DS	DS	D	DS				D	DS			DS+SP	D		DS					DS	

¹ OJ L 81, 21.3.2001, p. 1.

² 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, Ireland and the United Kingdom do not apply Council Regulation (EC) No 539/2001.

³ http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/doc_centre/freetravel/visa/doc_freetravel_visa_en.htm

	BNL (1)	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO	CH
ANGOLA															D			DS								
ARMENIA		D									DS	DS	D	DS			D		DS		DS					
AZERBAIJAN		DS												DS	D				DS		DS					
BAHRAIN									DS																	
BANGLADESH																										
BELARUS														DS	D		D(5)		DS(5)		DS					
BELIZE															D	D										
BENIN										DS							DS									
BHUTAN																										
BOLIVIA	DS		DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS					DS			DS	DS	DS	DS	DS		DS	DS+ SP
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(6)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S (5)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)		D7	
BOTSWANA										DS																
BURKINA FASO										DS																
BURUNDI																										
CAMBODIA														DS	D											DS+ SP
CAMEROON																										
CAPE VERDE																		DS								
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC																			DS							

	BNL (1)	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO	CH
CHAD	D				DS																					
CHINA (PR)		DS(5)									DS		DS	DS	DS		DS		DS	DS	DS+SP					
COLOMBIA			DS		DS			DS	DS	DS	DS			DS	DS				DS		DS					DS+SP
COMOROS																										
CONGO																			DS							
CONGO (DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF)									D																	
COTE D'IVOIRE																DS										
CUBA											DS			DS	D						DS					DS
DJIBOUTI																										
DOMINICA										DS																
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC									DS	DS																DS+SP
ECUADOR	DS							DS	DS	DS					D	DS	DS+SP		DS+SP	D						DS+SP
EGYPT			DS+SP							DS+SP	DS+SP			D	DS						DS	DS+SP				
EQUATORIAL GUINEA																										
ERITREA																										
ETHIOPIA																										
FIJI																										
FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)		D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)S		DS	DS+SP
GABON									DS																	
GAMBIA										DS					D											
GEORGIA		D				D					DS		DS	DS	D				DS		DS					

	BNL (1)	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO	CH
GHANA					DS										D				DS							
GRENADA																										
GUINEA															D				DS							
GUINEA-BISSAU																										
GUYANA										DS					D											
HAITI																										
INDIA		DS		DS	D						DS			DS	D					D						
INDONESIA	DS														D	DS										
IRAN		DS(5)												D	D		D(5)		D							D
IRAQ																										
JAMAICA	DS				D										D	DS				D						
JORDAN															D				D		DS					
KAZAKHSTAN														DS	D		D		D		DS					
KENYA					D										D											
KIRIBATI																										
KOREA (NORTH)		DS																								
KUWAIT									DS	DS					D											
KYRGYZSTAN														DS	D				DS							
LAOS			DS											DS			DS				DS+ SP					
LEBANON											DS+ SP				D											
LESOTHO										DS					D											
LIBERIA																										

	BNL (1)	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO	CH	
LIBYA															DS+ SP												
MADAGASCAR																											
MALAWI	DS				D																						
MALDIVES															D	DS					D						
MALI															D												
MARSHALL ISLANDS															D												
MAURITANIA										DS					D					DS							
MICRONESIA																											
MOLDOVA	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)		D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)				DS
MONGOLIA		DS(5)	DS											DS	D				DS		DS						
MONTENEGRO	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D (8)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)				
MOROCCO	DS+ SP (9)	DS	DS+ SP	DS	D	D	DS	D	D	DS			D	DS	D	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS+ SP	D	D		DS+ SP	DS+ SP
MOZAMBIQUE																			DS								
MYANMAR																											
NAMIBIA					D										D												DS+ SP
NAURU																											
NEPAL															D												
NIGER										DS																	
NIGERIA															D												
NORTHERN MARIANA																											

	BNL (1)	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO	CH
OMAN									DS						D											
PAKISTAN	D		DS	DS	D		D								D	DS			DS(5)		DS	DS		DS	DS	
PALAU																										
PAPUA NEW GUINEA																										
PERU	D+S P	DS	DS+ SP	DS	D	D+S P	DS	D+S P	D+S P	DS		D+ SP		D+S P	D	DS	DS		D+ SP	DS	DS+ SP	DS				DS+ SP
PHILIPPINES			DS	DS	DS		DS	DS		DS				DS	D	DS	DS		DS	DS	DS	DS	DS		DS+ SP	DS
QATAR															D											
RUSSIA	D(2)	D(2) S	D(2)		D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2) S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2) S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2) S	D(2)	D(2) S	D(2)	D(2)		D(10)	
RWANDA																										
SAINT LUCIA																										
SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES																										
SAMOA															D											
SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE																		DS	DS							
SAUDI ARABIA															D											
SENEGAL	D								D						D				DS							
SERBIA	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(11)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)			
SIERRA LEONE															D				DS							
SOLOMON ISLANDS																										
SOMALIA																										

	BNL (1)	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO	CH
SOUTH AFRICA		DS	DS		D		DS		DS					DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS			DS	DS	
SRI LANKA															D											
SUDAN															D											
SURINAME																										
SWAZILAND										DS				D	D											
SYRIA											DS				D											
TAJIKISTAN														DS						DS						
TANZANIA																			DS							
THAILAND	DS		DS	DS	DS					DS				DS	D	DS	DS		DS	DS	DS	DS	DS		DS	DS+ SP
TIMOR-LESTE															D											
TOGO										DS																
TONGA																										
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO																DS										
TUNISIA	DS +SP		DS+ SP	D	D		DS	D	D+	DS				DS	DS+ SP	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS	DS+ SP	D	D		D	DS+ SP
TURKEY	DS+ SP	DS(5)	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP		DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	D	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP	DS+ SP
TURKMENISTAN														DS	D				DS		DS					
TUVALU																										
UGANDA										DS					D											
UKRAINE	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)		D(2)	D(2) S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)S	D(2)	D(2)			DS
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (12)	D S				D S		D S	D+S	DS	DS					DS							DS	DS		D	

	BNL (1)	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO	CH
UZBEKISTAN														D	D				D		DS					
VANUATU															D											
VIETNAM		DS	D						D					DS	D				DS		D					
YEMEN			DS+ SP											D	D						DS+ SP					
ZAMBIA															D				DS							
ZIMBABWE							DS																			

ENTITIES AND TERRITORIAL AUTHORITIES THAT ARE NOT RECOGNISED AS STATES BY AT LEAST ONE MEMBER STATE

	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	
PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY															D											
TAIWAN																										

(1) 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.

(2) In compliance with the Agreements between the European Community and the following countries on the facilitation of the issuance of visas:

- 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.

- The Republic of Moldova ([OJ L 334, 19.12.2007, p. 169](#)). 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.
- (3) In compliance with bilateral Agreement between Denmark and Albania on the facilitation of the issuance of visas. The agreement entered into force on 1 December 2008.
 - (4) In compliance with bilateral Agreement between Norway and Albania on the facilitation of the issuance of visas. The agreement entered into force on 1 May 2009.
 - (5) Up to 30 days' stay.
 - (6) In compliance with bilateral Agreement between Denmark and Bosnia Herzegovina on the facilitation of the issuance of visas. The agreement entered into force on 1 March 2009.
 - (7) In compliance with bilateral Agreement between Norway and Bosnia Herzegovina on the facilitation of the issuance of visas. The agreement entered into force on 1 May 2009.
 - (8) In compliance with bilateral Agreement between Denmark and Montenegro on the facilitation of the issuance of visas. The agreement entered into force on 1 August 2008.
 - (9) The exemption of holders of special passports is applied by Belgium and Luxembourg.
 - (10) In compliance with bilateral Agreement between Norway and the Russian Federation on the facilitation of the issuance of visas. The agreement entered into force on 1 December 2008.
 - (11) In compliance with bilateral Agreement between Denmark and Serbia on the facilitation of the issuance of visas. The agreement entered into force on 1 May 2009.
 - (12) The service passport issued by UAE is called "special passport".
 - (13) Applicable from 1 August 2009.

– Holy 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, Finland and Italy.

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.

Holders of valid ordinary, diplomatic, service passports or Passaporto del Governatorato issued by the competent authorities of the Vatican City State are exempted from the visa requirement by Switzerland

– 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 and Italy.

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:

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:

- 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 and Iceland.

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, the Netherlands and Switzerland 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.

Austria: beneficiaries of privileges and immunities who have been issued with a specific identity document are exempted from the visa requirement.

– Comments relating to particular organisations:

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

Y = Yes

N = No

	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 (1)
United Nations	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	(4)	N	N	Y	Y(3)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	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		N	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y
Customs Cooperation Council	Y	N	N	N	N	N		N	N			N	N	N		N	N		N	N	N	N	N		
Council of Europe	Y(4)			N					Y					Y	Y	Y			N		Y	N	Y		

– General comments:

(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.

(3) 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.

(4) Greece requires no visa for holders of red UN laissez-passer. For holders of the sky-blue and 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:

(4) 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.

2. 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 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

	BNL	BG	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY ⁽¹⁾	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE ⁽²⁾	IS	NO	CH	LI
AFGHANISTAN															S		S					S		S			
ALBANIA															S		S					S		S			
ALGERIA															S		S					S		S			
ANGOLA															S		S					S		S			
ARMENIA															S		S					S		S			
AZERBAIJAN															S		S					S		S			
BAHRAIN															S		S					S		S			
BANGLADESH															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
CHAD	S	S	S	S
CHINA (PR)	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
COTE 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
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

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
MAURITANIA	S	S	S	S
				S
MICRONESIA	S	S	S	S
MOLDOVA	S	S	S	S
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
PALAU	S	S	S	S

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 LUCIA	S	S	S	S
SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	S	S	S	S
SAMOA	S	S	S	S
SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE	S	S	S	S
SAUDI ARABIA	S	S	S	S
SENEGAL	S	S	S	S
SERBIA	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
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
UZBEKISTAN	S	S	S	S
VANUATU	S	S	S	S
VIETNAM	S	S	S	S
YEMEN	S	S	S	S
ZAMBIA	S	S	S	S
ZIMBABWE	S	S	S	S

(1) Cyprus: a national collective visa is required.

(2) Sweden: School pupils under 18 years old.

(3) Switzerland: visa exemption only for school pupils residing in Andorra, Monaco or San Marino.

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 ()	EE	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY	LV	LT	HU	MT	AT	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI	SE	IS	NO	CH	
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					
ISRAEL					RA									RA								R					
JAPAN					RA (2)									RA								R					
KOREA (SOUTH)					RA									RA								R					

	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	CH	
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)	R (3)				RA (2)									RA								R					
URUGUAY					RA (2)									RA								R					
VENEZUELA					R(2) A(2)									RA								R					

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HONG KONG S.A.R.					R(2) A									RA													
MACAO S.A.R.					R(2) A									RA													

(1) 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 to the 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.

(3) The exemption is applied by Belgium and the Netherlands.

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	CH
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		X(1)		X		X						X				X	X			X	X		X	X	X(2)	

(1) 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.

(2) 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.

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	CH
AUSTRALIA		DS									DSA C						DS(6)									
CANADA			DS																							
ISRAEL									S A(1) C(2) (5)		DSA C															
MEXICO											DSA C													DS		
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA)		DS					DS	DS(3) (5)	D S(4) A(1) C(2) (5)		DSA C						DS(7)	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.

(6) Poland: the exemption concerns holders of diplomatic or service passports on mission.

(7) Poland: the exemption concerns holders of diplomatic or service 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 (1)	CZ	DK	DE (1)	EE (1)	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY (1)	LV	LT (1)	HU	MT	AT (1)	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI (1)	SE	IS	NO	CH
ANDORRA			E		E	E	E	E (1)		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E							
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	E (11)		E		E	E				E	E	E				E	E	E	E					E	E	E (12)
ARGENTINA			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E							E (12)
AUSTRALIA			E			E	E	E	E	E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E							E (12)
BAHAMAS	E (11)	E	E		E	E				E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E					E	E	E
BARBADOS	E (11)	E	E		E	E				E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E					E	E	E
BRAZIL			E		E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E							E (11)
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM			E		E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E							
CANADA			E			E	E	E	E (1)	E	E	E		E		E	E	E								E (12)
CHILE			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E							E
COSTA RICA			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E							E
CROATIA			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E							E

	BNL	BG (1)	CZ	DK	DE (1)	EE (1)	EL	ES	FR	IT	CY (1)	LV	LT (1)	HU	MT	AT (15)	PL	PT	RO	SI	SK	FI (1)	SE	IS	NO	CH
EL SALVADOR			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)
GUATEMALA			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)
HOLY SEE			E		E	E	E	E				E		E		E	E	E	E		E					
HONDURAS			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)
ISRAEL			E			E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)
JAPAN			E			E	E	E	E	E	E	E		E		E	E	E			E					
KOREA (SOUTH)			E			E	E	E	E	E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)
MALAYSIA			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					
MAURITIUS	E (11)	E	E		E	E				E		E		E			E	E	E					E	E	E (12)
MEXICO			E		E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)
MONACO			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)
NEW ZEALAND			E			E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					
NICARAGUA			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)
PANAMA			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)
PARAGUAY			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)
SAN MARINO			E		E	E	E	E			E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					
SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS	E (11)	E	E		E	E				E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E					E	E	E (12)
SEYCHELLES	E (11)	E	E		E	E				E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E					E	E	E (12)
SINGAPORE			E		E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA)			E			E	E	E	E	E	E	E		E		E	E	E			E					E (12)
URUGUAY			E		E	E	E	E		E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)
VENEZUELA			E		E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E (12)

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HONG KONG S.A.R.			E		E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E
MACAO S.A.R.			E		E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E		E		E	E	E	E		E					E

(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, third country nationals 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 third country nationals to stay, leave and re-enter the territory of Bulgaria without any other authorisation.

(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, third country nationals must hold a work permit and a residence permit, in accordance with the Aliens & Immigration Law (Chapter 105) and the relevant Regulation N.242/72.

(9) Comment by Malta: In order to work in Malta, third country nationals 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 national (“D”) 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, third country nationals who are exempt from the visa requirement may take up their activities only after a "residence visa" (“D” visa) has been issued.

(11) Concerns only Luxembourg.

(12) third country nationals are required to hold a visa when exercising the following gainful occupations:

- in the primary or secondary construction industry and civil engineering, catering and hotel services, industrial and private cleaners, surveillance and security services, and sex industry.

- gainful occupation of any another kind, if such occupation exceeds 8 days within a calendar year.