

**Visa Exemption (Bilateral Agreement)
Passport Holders who can enter Thailand without a Visa**

The VISA EXEMPTION RULE allows tourists from 52 countries¹ to enter without a visa. They are granted a stay of maximum 30 days but only if entering Thailand via an international airport. However, persons, entering through a land border checkpoint from neighboring countries will be granted a maximum stay of 15 days.

Under the new provisions of the VISA EXEMPTION RULE effective December 6, 2008, passport holders of 52 countries are entitled to enter Thailand under this rule provided that they meet the following criteria:

1. The visit is strictly for tourism purposes.
2. They must have a confirmed return ticket to show that they are flying out of Thailand within 30 or 15 days of entry, as appropriate. Open tickets do not qualify. Traveling over land out of Thailand by train, bus, etc to Cambodia, Laos, Malaysia (including en route to Singapore), Myanmar, etc is not accepted as proof of exiting Thailand.

You may be asked to show your flight ticket on entering Thailand. If you do not possess a flight ticket to show you will be exiting Thailand within 30 or 15 days of entry you will be most likely to be refused entry.

3. It will also be necessary to prove that you have funds of at least 10,000 THB per person during your stay in Thailand.

A fee may be levied on persons entering Thailand under the VISA EXEMPTION RULE.

Note that a person traveling using a “UK Travel Document”, a “UK Certificate of Identity”, or a “British National Overseas Passport”, cannot enter Thailand whatever their nationality. They are subject to visa rules concerning their nationality.

UK, USA, Canada, Japan, France, Germany, Italy, Russia, Macau, Hong Kong, Laos, Vietnam will receive 30 days in both airport or land border.

Korea, Brazil, Peru, Argentina and Chile will get 90 days in both airport and land border.

¹52 Countries allowed to enter Thailand under the VISA EXEMPTION RULE:

1. Argentina
2. Australia
3. Austria
4. Bahrain
5. Belgium
6. Brazil
7. Brunei
8. Canada
9. Chile
10. Czech Republic
11. Denmark
12. Finland
13. France

14. Germany
15. Greece
16. Hong Kong
17. Hungary
18. Iceland
19. Indonesia
20. Ireland
21. Israel
22. Italy
23. Japan
24. Korea
25. Kuwait
26. Laos
27. Liechtenstein
28. Luxembourg
29. Macau
30. Malaysia
31. Monaco
32. Mongolia
33. Netherlands
34. New Zealand
35. Norway
36. Oman
37. Peru
38. Philippines
39. Portugal
40. Qatar
41. Russia
42. Singapore
43. Slovak Republic
44. South Africa
45. Spain
46. Sweden
47. Switzerland
48. Turkey
49. United Arab Emirates
50. United Kingdom
51. United States
52. Vietnam

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