



# *Securing the Visa Waiver Program*

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## *Visa Waiver Travel*

**Allows up to 90 days visit for tourism or business**

**No interviews for travelers**

**No submission of biometrics until entering the United States**

**No Fees**

## *Visa Travel to the United States*

**Up to 10 year Multiple Entry Visa can be issued**

**In person interviews at U.S. Embassy or Consulates**

**Submission of biometrics (digital photo & fingerprints)**

**\$100.00 Application Fee**



## *Current VWP Members*

- *Great Britain and Northern Ireland '88*
- *Japan '88*
- *France '89*
- *Switzerland '89*
- *Germany '89*
- *Italy '89*
- *Netherlands '89*
- *Sweden '89*
- *Andorra '91*
- *Austria '91*
- *Belgium '91*
- *Denmark '91*
- *Finland '91*
- *Iceland '91*
- *Liechtenstein '91*
- *Luxembourg '91*
- *Monaco '91*
- *New Zealand '91*
- *Norway '91*
- *San Marino '91*
- *Spain '91*
- *Brunei '93*
- *Ireland '95*
- *Australia '96*
- *Slovenia '97*
- *Portugal '99*
- *Singapore '99*



# *Visa Waiver Program - Requirements*

**Members countries must ...**

- **Guarantee visa-free travel;**
- **Attain nonimmigrant visa refusal rate of less than 3%;**
- **Timely report to the U.S. government all lost or stolen passports;**
- **Issue e-passports;**
- **Satisfy law enforcement, immigration, and national security interests of the United States.**



## *VWP Roadmap Countries*

- **Bulgaria**
- **Cyprus**
- **Czech Republic**
- **Estonia**
- **Greece**
- **Hungary**
- **South Korea**
- **Latvia**
- **Lithuania**
- **Malta**
- **Poland**
- **Romania**
- **Slovakia**



## *Security reforms*

- **Electronic Travel Authorization**
- **Passenger information exchange**
- **Reporting *all* lost and stolen passports**
- **Repatriation of removed aliens**



## *Additional security reforms*

- **Common standards for travel documents**
- **Air marshals**
- **Airport security**