

Flying to Canada?

Our entry rules have changed for Mexican citizens.

As of December 1, 2016, you will need an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) to board your flight.



Effective December 1, 2016

Mexican citizens no longer require a visa to enter Canada by air. Instead, if you are a Mexican citizen, you must get an eTA before your flight, because it is a requirement for visa-exempt travellers to Canada. If you already have a valid Canadian visa, you can continue to travel with that visa until it expires. Once your Canadian visa has expired, you will need to apply for an eTA for any future air travel to Canada.

What is an eTA?

An eTA is an entry requirement for visa-exempt foreign nationals flying to or transiting through Canada. The authorization is electronically linked to your passport and is valid for five years or until your passport expires, whichever comes first.

Why do I need an eTA?

Citizens from countries other than the United States (U.S.) who do not need a visa to enter Canada must obtain an eTA before flying to Canada. To view the list of countries, visit Canada.ca/eTA. Travellers do not need an eTA when entering Canada by land or sea.

How do I apply for an eTA for travel to Canada?

Applying for an eTA is a simple online process that takes just a few minutes. You need your passport, a credit card and an email address. It costs CAD \$7 to get an eTA, and the eTA will be valid for up to five years. Apply online at Canada.ca/eTA.

What if I arrive at the airport without an eTA? Will I be able to get an eTA at the last minute?

You should get your eTA as soon as you begin to plan your trip to fly to or transit through Canada. If needed, last-minute applications can be made on any device with an Internet connection, including mobile phones. In most cases, your eTA will be approved within minutes. However, some applications can take hours or several days to process. **You must wait until your eTA is approved before you can fly to Canada.**

Do I have to print anything to prove that I have an eTA?

No. The eTA is electronically linked to your passport. You need to travel with the passport you used to apply for your eTA.

For more information or to apply for your eTA, visit Canada.ca/eTA.



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