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Pakistan

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently warns US citizens to **RECONSIDER TRAVEL** to this country due to terrorism. Consult its website via the link below for any updates to this advisory.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 2 blank pages in their passport for any entry stamp and or visa that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country's embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa prior to visiting the country.

US Embassy/Consulate

[92] (51) 201-5000/ [92] (51) 201-4000; US Embassy in Islamabad, Diplomatic Enclave, Ramna 5, Islamabad, Pakistan

Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. Polio vaccination within one year before travel may be required to exit Pakistan. See WHO recommendations

<http://www.who.int>

Climate

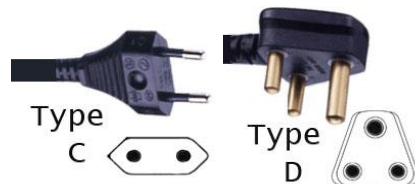
Mostly hot, dry desert; temperate in northwest; arctic in north

Currency (Code)

Pakistani rupees (PKR)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): C, D



Major Languages

Punjabi 48%, Sindhi 12%, Saraiki (a Punjabi variant) 10%, Pashto (alternate name, Pashtu) 8%, Urdu 8%, Balochi 3%, Hindko 2%, Brahui 1%, English (lingua franca of Pakistani elite and most government ministries), Burushaski, and other 8%

Religions

Predominantly Muslim (Sunni 85-90%, Shia 10-15%)

Time Difference

UTC+5 (10 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

Potable Water

Opt for bottled water.

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Left

Cultural Practices

Pakistan culture is very hierarchical, with age being one of the most important aspects, if not the most important. When interacting with Pakistan's, greet and show deference to the eldest person. It is impolite to start eating before the eldest member at the table has begun to eat.

Telephone Code

92

Local Emergency Phone Numbers

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Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

[World Health Organization \(WHO\) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[To obtain an international driving permit \(IDP\). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association \(AAA\) \(www.aaa.com\) and American Automobile Touring Alliance \(AATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.com)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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