## Visa-exemption for holders of diplomatic or official/service passports

Foreign nationals	1. Nationals of the following countries are eligible for the
eligible for	visa exemption program, with a duration of stay of up to
visa-exempt entry:	90 days: Andorra, Australia (effective from January 1,
	2015, to December 31, 2017), Austria, Belgium, Belize,
	Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus,
	Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, El
	Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece,
	Guatemala, the Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland,
	Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea, Latvia,
	Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco,
	Nauru, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua,
	Norway, Paraguay, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Saint
	Christopher and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the
	Grenadines, San Marino, Sao Tome and Principe, Slovakia,
	Slovenia, Spain, Swaziland. Sweden, Switzerland, UK, USA.
	2. Nationals of the following countries are eligible for the
	visa exemption program, with a duration of stay of up to
	30 days: Malaysia, Singapore.
Requirements:	1. passport with remaining validity of at least six months as
	of the date of entry
	Japanese nationals whose passport has remaining validity
	of more than three months are eligible for visa-exempt
	entry.
	US passport holders whose passport is valid for the
	intended period of stay are eligible for visa-exempt entry.
	2. confirmed return air/sea ticket or an air/sea ticket and a
	visa for the next destination, and a confirmed seat
	reservation for departure
	3. not determined by immigration officers at ports of entry
	in the ROC to be otherwise inadmissible
Limitation :	The above-said practice does not apply to those who are
	ROC nationals or who are not regarded as foreigners in
	accordance with the legislation of ROC, e.g. holders of
	diplomatic and official passports of the Holy See with their
	nationality marked TWN, CHNC, HKG. or MAC.
Duration of stay:	1. The duration of stay starts from the day after arrival and is
	not extendable. Foreign visitors must depart by the end of

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	the said duration. Please click here for information on
	penalties for overstay.
	2. Visa-exempt entry cannot be converted to visa-based stay,
	unless any of the following applies:
	Foreign nationals entering the ROC through visa exemption
	may only apply for conversion to a visitor visa within the
	permitted duration of stay at the Bureau of Consular Affairs
	or MOFA branch offices in the event of situations that
	prevent them from leaving the ROC, such as severe acute
	illness, natural disaster, or other force majeure reason.
Ports of entry:	Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport, Taipei Songshan
	Airport, Taichung Airport, Chiayi Airport, Tainan Airport,
	Kaohsiung International Airport, Taitung Airport, Hualien
	Airport, Kinmen Airport, Magong Airport, Keelung Harbor,
	Taipei Harbor, Taichung Harbor, Kaohsiung Harbor, Hualien
	Harbor, Shuitou Harbor, and Fu'ao Harbor.

## Remarks:

- 1. Nationals who have entered Taiwan visa-free for purposes that do not require a permit—such as tourism, visiting friends or relatives, social visits, conducting business, attending exhibitions, fact-finding missions, and international exchanges—who then intend to engage in activities that, according to the laws and regulations of relevant agencies, do require a permit must still obtain such a permit.
- 2. According to Article 14 of the Regulations for Exit of Draftees, a draftee having maintained his household registration in Taiwan shall enter into and depart from Taiwan by presenting his ROC passport; any draftee duly subject to conscription entering into Taiwan by presenting a foreign passport shall be restricted from departing from Taiwan.
- Before arriving in Taiwan, please complete an <u>online immigration arrival card</u> on the website of the National Immigration Agency.
  For conscription law, please visit the following website: <a href="http://www.immigration.gov.tw">http://www.immigration.gov.tw</a>