Lists of third countries whose nationals must be in possession of a visa when crossing the external borders and of those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement

A) List of third countries whose nationals must be in possession of a visa when crossing the external borders

1. States

AFGHANISTAN
ALGERIA
ANGOLA
ARMENIA
AZERBAIJAN
BAHRAIN
BANGLADESH
BELARUS
BELIZE
BENIN
BHUTAN
BOLIVIA
BOTSWANA
BURKINA FASO
BURMA/MYANMAR
BURUNDI
CAMBODIA
CAMEROON
CAPE VERDE
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC
CHAD
CHINA
COMOROS
CONGO
COTE D'IVOIRE
CUBA
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO
DJIBOUTI
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
ECUADOR
EGYPT
EQUATORIAL GUINEA
ERITREA
ETHIOPIA
FIJI
GABON
GAMBIA
GHANA
GUINEA
GUINEA-BISSAU
GUYANA
HAITI
INDIA
INDONESIA
IRAN
IRAQ
JAMAICA
JORDAN
KAZAKHSTAN
KENYA
KUWAIT
KYRGYZSTAN
LAOS
LEBANON
LESOTHO
LIBERIA
LIBYA
MADAGASCAR
MALAWI
MALDIVES
MALI
MAURITANIA
MONGOLIA
MOROCCO
MOZAMBIQUE
NAMIBIA
NAURU
NEPAL
NIGER
NIGERIA
NORTH KOREA
OMAN
PAKISTAN
PAPUA NEW GUINEA
PHILIPPINES
QATAR
RUSSIA
RWANDA
SAO TOMÉ AND PRÍNCIPE
SAUDI ARABIA
SENEGAL
SIERRA LEONE
SOMALIA
SOUTH AFRICA
SOUTH SUDAN
SRI LANKA
SUDAN
SURINAME
SWAZILAND
SYRIA
TAJIKISTAN
TANZANIA
THAILAND
TOGO
TUNISIA
TURKEY
TURKMENISTAN
UGANDA
UZBEKISTAN
VIETNAM
YEMEN
ZAMBIA
ZIMBABWE

2. Entities and territorial authorities not recognised as States by at least one Member State

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PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY

B) List of third countries whose nationals are exempted from holding a visa when crossing the external borders

1. States

ALBANIA²
ANDORRA
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA
ARGENTINA
AUSTRALIA
BAHAMAS
BARBADOS
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA²
BRAZIL
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM
CANADA
CHILE
COLOMBIA
COSTA RICA
DOMINICA
EL SALVADOR
FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA²
GEORGIA²
GRENADE
GUATEMALA
HOLY SEE (VATICAN CITY STATE)
HONDURAS
ISRAEL
JAPAN
KIRIBATI

² The visa exemption applies only to holders of biometric passports.
MALAYSIA
MARSHALL ISLANDS
MAURITIUS
MEXICO
MICRONESIA
MOLDOVA
MONACO
MONTENEGRO
NEW ZEALAND
NICARAGUA
PALAU
PANAMA
PARAGUAY
PERU
SAMOA
SAN MARINO
SEYCHELLES
SERBIA
SINGAPORE
SOLOMON ISLANDS
SOUTH KOREA
ST KITTS AND NEVIS
ST LUCIA
ST VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES
TIMOR-LESTE
TONGA
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
TUVALU
UKRAINE
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
URUGUAY
VANUATU
VENEZUELA

2. Special Administrative Regions of the People's Republic of China

HONG KONG S.A.R.
MACAO S.A.R.

3. British citizens who are not nationals of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for the purposes of Union law:

British nationals (Overseas)
British overseas territories citizens (BOTC)

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3 Excluding holders of Serbian passports issued by the Serbian Coordination Directorate (in Serbian: Koordinaciona uprava).
4 The visa exemption applies only to holders of a "Hong Kong Special Administrative Region" passport.
5 The visa exemption applies only to holders of a "Região Administrativa Especial de Macau" passport.
British overseas citizens (BOC)
British protected persons (BPP)
British subjects (BS)

4. Entities and territorial authorities not recognised as States by at least one Member State

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⁶ In accordance with Regulation (EU) 1211/2010 amending Regulation (EC) No 539/2001, Taiwanese nationals holding passports issued by Taiwan which include an identity card number are exempt from the visa obligation (OJ L 339, 22.12.2010, p. 6).