

Documentation

Will I need a passport to enter Panama?

Yes. Every person entering Panama needs to have an up-to-date passport. In general, it is a good rule to have at least 6 months left on your passport from the dates of your travel. You will also need your passport to return home. It is the responsibility of each individual to acquire their own passport.

What do I do if I lose my passport?

A U.S. citizen whose passport is lost or stolen while overseas must go to the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate to get a replacement. It is advisable to have a scanned copy of your passport to make this process easier, so either pack one with you or email a copy to yourself for just such an emergency.

U.S. Embassy Panama
Avenida Demetrio Basilio Lakas
Building No. 783
Clayton, Panama

Tel.: +(507) 317-5000

Fax: +(507) 317-5278

E-mail: Panama-ACS@state.gov

Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:00am – 5:30pm; Friday 8:00am-12:00pm.

More information on how to proceed if your passport is lost or stolen can be found [here](#).

Will I need a visa to enter Panama?

A visa is not required for US or Canadian citizens. Here is a list of visa-exempt countries, as well as those which require authorized visas and/or diplomatic passports:

<http://www.embassyofpanama.org/inmigration-and-visas/>

It is the responsibility of each individual to find out and acquire what visa(s) they will need.

Minors

It is advisable and usually required that all minors not traveling with a parent have a notarized letter stating that they have permission to travel to WYD with a named group leader or chaperone.