

IATA GROUND HANDLING CONFERENCE

Nairobi, Kenya
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Host airline



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KENYA TRAVEL INFORMATION, IGHC CONFERENCE – 12 – 16 MAY, 2025

As of 1 January 2024, foreign nationals, regardless of nationality, can enter Kenya without a visa for tourism or business travel for stays up to 90 days. Travelers must, however, obtain a new [Electronic Travel Authorization \(eTA\)](https://www.etakenya.go.ke/en) via the official link:- <https://www.etakenya.go.ke/en>

Visa Information

eTA Requirements and Documentation

1. Valid passport for at least six (6) months after your planned date of arrival into Kenya, with at least one blank page
2. Recent coloured passport picture
3. Conference invitation/participation letter
4. Contact details (home address, telephone, email)
5. Travel information and flight itinerary (arrival flight number, date of departure of initial flight in case of connecting flights)
6. Proof of booking for the hotel you will be staying at.
7. Yellow fever vaccination certificate if coming from endemic countries (please check the WHO website for the updated list of countries)
8. The eTA applications for Kenya are usually processed in 3 days, however it is recommended applications be submitted **at least 2 weeks prior** to travel to ensure adequate time for processing. Travellers can submit their applications up to 3 months prior to travel.
9. For children under the age of 18, the legal guardian, parent or accompanying adult is responsible for filling the application.
10. Once you submit your eTA application, the fee is non-refundable, and you cannot transfer it to another person. This is also true if your eTA is denied or if for any reason, including a force majeure, there are deviations to your planned journey.

Persons who are exempt from obtaining the Electronic Travel Authorisation (eTA)

1. Holders of valid Kenya Passports or one-way Emergency Certificate issued by Kenya Missions abroad.
2. Holders of Kenya Permanent Residence, valid Work Permits and Passes.
3. Holders of valid United Nation Conventional Travel Document issued by the Government of Kenya.
4. Members of the Diplomatic Missions and International Organizations Accredited to Kenya (exempt from payment only).
5. Citizens of the East African Partner States; These countries include Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda. (Exempted for Six (6) months)
6. All passengers in transit through Kenya arriving and leaving by the same aircraft or transferring to another aircraft and who do not leave the precincts of Airports in Kenya.
7. All passengers arriving and leaving by the same ship, and who do not leave the ship.
8. Members of crew of any ship, aircraft, train, vehicle or carrier; whose name and particulars are included in the crew manifest of the ship, aircraft, train, vehicle or carrier; and who is proceeding in such ship, aircraft, train, vehicle or carrier to a destination outside Kenya.
9. Owners of private aircraft stopping over for refuelling in Kenya and who do not leave the precincts of the airport.

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Customs

Visitors, including delegates staying in Kenya for up to 3 months, are entitled to duty exemptions of up to \$500 worth of non-consumable and consumable goods for personal use that they will take back at the end of the visit. These include non-alcoholic beverages and tobacco in quantities consistent with their visit intentions. You may [click here](#) for details.

Plastic Bag Ban

In 2017, the Kenya Government banned the use of all plastic bags. Traveler's coming into Kenya with duty free bags is required to dispose the same at the entry points or in the aircrafts prior to disembarking their flights.