



Kazakhstan COVID-19 Travel Update - December 21, 2020

Entry and Exit Requirements:

- Are U.S. citizens permitted to enter? Yes, subject to strict limitations*

*The Kazakhstani border remains closed to foreigners with limited exceptions, including diplomats, direct- family members of Kazakhstani citizens, residency permit holders, some employees of designated companies in critical industries, and citizens of those countries with which Kazakhstan has resumed direct flights. Even U.S. citizens qualified for one of these exceptions MUST have a visa in order to enter the country, as visa-free travel for U.S. citizens to Kazakhstan remains suspended until at least May 2021.

In addition, as of November 2, foreign permanent residence holders and foreign family members of permanent residents and citizens may only cross the border once every 90 days (versus the earlier term of every 30 days). The family members must provide documentary evidence of the family ties (for example marriage and birth certificates).

Please note that immigration questions are the purview of the Government of Kazakhstan, and we are not permitted to intervene on matters related to entering Kazakhstan. Such matters should be directed to the Kazakhstani Embassy in the United States or, if applicable, your employer.

U.S. citizens needing to extend their Kazakhstani visas can contact the Migration Police:

In Nur-Sultan: 31 Imanov St. (between Beisekbayev St. and Sembinova St.),
Tel. 8-7172-374-851, 8-7172- 374-899, 8-7172-374-867, or 8-7172-374-876

In Almaty: 109A Karasai Batyr Street (near Nikolsky Bazar),

Tel. 8-7272-544-684 or 8-7272-544-145

E-gov website: <https://www.gov.kz/memleket/entities/migration/activities/services?lang=en>

Or on Facebook

- Is a negative COVID-19 test (PCR and/or serology) required for entry? Yes.

Effective October 6, 2020, the Government of Kazakhstan is requiring foreign travelers arriving in Kazakhstan to provide a negative COVID-19 PCR test with results dated no more than three days prior to their entry to Kazakhstan. If they are unable to provide negative PCR test results, they will be denied entry. In addition, each traveler must undergo a temperature check and fill out a questionnaire on prior travel, potential COVID-19 exposure, and contact information. According to Decree 65 of the State Sanitary Doctor effective December 8, those with elevated temperatures will be isolated in a facility for infectious diseases, regardless of a certificate of negative PCR test result.

- Are health screening procedures in place at airports and other ports of entry? Yes.

Movement Restrictions:

Due to spikes in COVID-19 transmission, travel of U.S. Government officials within Kazakhstan is restricted without specific approval.

Quarantine Information:

- Are U.S. citizens required to quarantine? Possibly*

*Upon entering Kazakhstan, travelers with elevated temperatures will be isolated in a facility for infectious diseases.

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