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**A U.S. Citizen's Guide to
Consular Services Abroad**

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Guadalajara**

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Millions of Americans travel abroad every year and encounter no difficulties. However, U.S. embassies and consulates assist nearly 200,000 Americans each year who are victims of crime, accident, or illness, or whose family and friends need to contact them in an emergency. When an emergency happens, or if natural disaster, terrorism, or civil unrest strikes during your foreign travel, the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate can be your source of assistance and information. By providing notification of your trip, you help the embassy or consulate locate you when you might need them the most. Enrollment is voluntary and costs nothing, but it should be a big part of your travel planning and security.

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Along with the information provided on the following pages, you will find numerous Internet links and phone numbers that may prove useful in your search for answers. The chart below has been created to assist newcomers (or those that have not yet become comfortable with international dialing) in navigating the telephone while in Mexico.

| MEXICO DIALING INSTRUCTIONS | |
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| To make a call <u>from</u> any U.S. or Mexican cell phone <u>to</u> a Mexican cell phone or land line while in Mexico, only use 10 digits: (area code) + number. | |
| <i>i.e. For phones in Guadalajara, dial: 33 +XXXX+XXXX</i> | |
| To call any U.S. cell phone located in Mexico from a Mexican cell phone or land line, dial long distance. | |
| <i>i.e. To dial a D.C. phone that is currently in Mexico dial: 001+202+XXX+XXXX</i> | |
| 1. To call a cell phone in Guadalajara: | |
| From: Any Mexican cell phone | Dial: 33 + XXXX - XXXX |
| From: A Guadalajara land line | Dial: 044 + 33 + XXXX - XXXX |
| From: The United States | Dial: 011 + 52 + 1 + 33 + 8 digits |
| 2. To call a land line in Guadalajara: | |
| From: A Guadalajara cell phone | Dial: XXXX - XXXX |
| From: A Guadalajara land line | Dial: XXXX - XXXX |
| From: The United States | Dial: 011 + 52 + 33 + 8 digits |
| 3. To dial long distance (National (Out-of-State) / International) phone numbers in Mexico from a Land Line: | |
| Calling a Mexican cell phone | Dial: 045 + area code + 8 digits* |
| Calling a Mexican land line | Dial: 01 + area code + 8 digits* |
| Calling the United States | Dial: 00 + 1 + Area Code + 7 digits |
| | Dial: 00 + Country Code + Area Code |
| Calling any Other Country | +XXX - XXXX |
| *Phone numbers in Mexico must be ten digits long, including the area code. States can have either two- or three-digit area codes. States with a three-digit area code will only have a seven-digit phone number. | |

General Consulate Information

Address: Progreso 175, Col. Americana

Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico, C.P. 44160

Telephone: (01) (33) 326-8 2100

Fax: (01) (33) 3826-6549

Duty Phone: (After-Hours Emergencies ONLY): (01) (33) 3268-2145

Hours of Operation: Mon-Fri, 8:00AM-4:30PM

Closed on U.S. and Mexican holidays, and second and fourth Wednesday of every month for in-service training.

Website: <http://guadalajara.usconsulate.gov/>

Email Contact:

American Citizen Services - acsgdl@state.gov

Non Immigrant Visas - visasgdl@state.gov

Federal Benefits Unit - fbu.guadalajara@ssa.gov

Human Resources - hrgdl@state.gov

About the U.S. Consulate

The U.S. Consulate General in Guadalajara is responsible for consular services in the states of Jalisco, Aguascalientes, Colima, and Nayarit, while the Public Affairs Section and Foreign Commercial Service also work in Guanajuato, Michoacán, and Sinaloa. We have approximately 100 Mexican employees and 40 U.S. officers who work for the Departments of State and Commerce, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Agency, the Food and Drug Administration, and the Social Security Administration.

The Visa Unit is perhaps the best known of the Consulate's services. It receives over 1,200 applicants for non-immigrant visas (tourist, business, student, temporary worker) each day. In the past several years the application process has changed with the addition of digital photos and fingerprints, which are collected at the Applicant Service Center (ASC).

For additional information regarding the ASC, visit <http://mexico.usvisa-info.com>.

This region is home to the largest resident population of U.S. citizens outside the United States. Its beaches and other destinations attract more tourists each year, which consequently increases the demand for consular services. Currently, the ACS unit, along with the Consular Agency in Vallarta, is responsible for about 50,000 U.S. citizens resident in the district and about 100,000 U.S. citizen tourists, students, and business persons in this region on any given day. The services provided include issuing passports and reports of birth, notarizing documents, assisting when a U.S. citizen dies, and visiting U.S. prisoners to ensure that they are treated in accordance with local laws. Along with providing services within the Consulate, ACS staff organizes monthly visits to the Lake Chapala Society and the local chapter of the American Legion to provide passport renewal and notarial services. The Federal Benefits Unit of the Consulate is in charge of administering U.S. benefits to U.S. and Mexican citizens.

The Consulate's Public Affairs Section distributes information about U.S. policies and programs to the media, universities, and other organizations. It manages educational exchange programs and supports the teaching and study of English. Through a series of speakers and videoconferences, the Section reaches out to Mexican audiences on topics of mutual interest such as the environment, migration, human rights, and rule of law.

The district of the Consulate General in Guadalajara has continued to develop in importance as an industrial and commercial center in western Mexico. Direct and indirect investments from the U.S. have continued to grow, especially since NAFTA began in January 1994. Our Foreign Commercial Service office works closely with U.S. and Mexican businesses to facilitate trade and is alert to issues that hinder or impede economic growth.

There is no other bilateral relationship in the world more important than the one the U.S. and Mexico have. The U.S. Consulate General in Guadalajara plays an important role in supporting and enhancing that relationship.

Other Consulates in Mexico

Ciudad Juárez: Paseo de la Victoria #3650
tel: (52) (656) 227-3000.

Hermosillo: Calle Monterrey 141 (entre las calles Rosales y Galeana), Col. Esqueda
tel: (52) (662) 289-3500.

Matamoros: Avenida Primera 2002, Col. Jardín
tel: (52) (868) 812-4402

Mérida: Calle 60 No. 338 K x 29 y 31, Col. Alcala Martin
tel: (52) (999) 942-5700.

Monterrey: Avenida Constitución 411 Poniente
tel: (52) (818) 047-3100.

Nogales: Calle San Jose, Fraccionamiento “Los Alamos”
tel: (52) (631) 311-8150.

Nuevo Laredo: Calle Allende 3330
tel: (52) (867) 714-0512.

Tijuana: Paseo de las Culturas, Mesa de Otay, Delegación Centenario
tel: (52) (664) 977-2000

Services Provided by Consular Agencies

U.S. Consular Agencies provide emergency services to American Citizens residing in or visiting the areas which are not near a U.S. Embassy or Consulate. They also perform notarial services and receive applications for U.S. passports and Consular Reports of Birth Abroad (CRBAs).

Consular Agencies in GDL District:

The U.S. Consular Agency in Vallarta provides emergency services to American Citizens residing in or visiting the area around Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco and Nuevo Vallarta/Bahia de Banderas, Nayarit.

The U.S. Consular Agency in Vallarta is open to the public Monday through Friday, from 8:30am to 12:30pm, except for U.S. and Mexican holidays. The Consular Agency is also closed on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month for in-service training. For **after-hours emergencies**, please call the Duty Officer at the U.S. Consulate General Guadalajara (52) (33) 3268-2145.

Puerto Vallarta

- ◆ Paradise Village Plaza, Paseo de los Cocoteros #1, Local 4 Int. 17;
Office: (322) 222-0069; Fax: (322) 223-0074

Consular Services are also provided on the first Wednesday of each month at the **International Friendship Club of Puerto Vallarta (October—April only)**.

- ◆ Edificio Parian del Puente #13, Calle Libertad Esq. Miramar
Office: (322) 222-5466

Other Consular Agencies in Mexico

- ♦ **Acapulco:** Hotel Continental Emporio, Costera M. Aleman 121 - Local 14; Office: (744) 481-0100; Phone/Fax: (744) 484-0300
- ♦ **Cabo San Lucas:** Blvd. Marina Local C-4, Plaza Náutica, Col. Centro; Office: (624) 143-3566; Fax: (624)143-6750
- ♦ **Cancún:** Blvd. Kukulcan KM 13+000 Lote 18-13, Zona Hotelera Torre La Europea, Despacho 301; Phone: (998) 883-0272; Fax: (998) 883-1373
- ♦ **Cozumel:** Plaza Villa Mar en El Centro, Plaza Principal (Parque Juárez between Melgar and 5th Ave.), 2nd floor, Locales #8 and 9; Phone: (987) 872-4574; Fax: (987) 872-6662
- ♦ **Ixtapa, Zihuatanejo:** Hotel Fontan, Blvd. Ixtapa; Phone: (755) 553-2100; Fax: (755) 553-2772
- ♦ **Mazatlán:** Hotel Playa Mazatlán, Playa Gaviotas #202, Zona Dorada; Office & Fax: (52) (669) 916-5889
- ♦ **Oaxaca:** Macedonio Alcalá No. 407, Interior 20 Office: (951) 514-3054 or (951) 516-2853; Fax: (951) 516-2701
- ♦ **Piedras Negras:** Abasolo #211, Zona Centro Office: (878) 782-5586 or (878) 782-8664; Fax: (878) 782-8707
- ♦ **Playa del Carmen:** The Palapa, Calle 1 Sur, between Avenida 15 and Avenida 20; Office: (984) 873-0303; Fax: (984) 873-0841
- ♦ **Reynosa:** Holiday Inn, Rooms 1101 & 1102, Calle Emilio Portes Gil #703, Col. Prado Sur; Office: (899)921-6530; Fax: (899) 921-6531
- ♦ **San Luis Potosí:** Edificio "Las Terrazas", Avenida Venustiano Carranza 2076-41, Col. Polanco; Office: (444) 811-7802; Fax: (444) 811-7803.
- ♦ **San Miguel de Allende:** Plaza La Luciérnaga, Libramiento José Manuel Zavala #165, Loales 4 & 5, Colonia La Luciérnaga; Office: (415) 152-2357; Fax: (415) 152-1588

American Embassy in Mexico

Address:

Paseo de la Reforma 305
Col. Cuauhtemoc
06500 Mexico, D.F.

Telephone from Mexico: (01-55) 5080-2000

Telephone from U.S.A: 011-52-55-5080-2000

The Embassy/Consulates are closed on all U.S. and Mexican holidays.

Mexican Embassy/Consulates in the U.S.:

Please consult the website of the Mexican Foreign Ministry for complete, up-to-date listings of Mexican consulates in the U.S. and how to contact them.

<http://portal.sre.gob.mx/usa/index.php>

General Country Information

Mexico is a Spanish-speaking country about three times the size of Texas consisting of 31 states and one federal district. The capital is Mexico City. Mexico has a rapidly developing economy, ranked by the World Bank as the thirteenth largest in the world. The climate ranges from tropical to desert and the terrain consists of coastal lowlands, central high plateaus, and mountains of up to 18,000 feet.

The state of Jalisco is considered by many to be the most Mexican of all Mexican states. Jalisco is the home of Mariachi and Tequila. Guadalajara is the second-largest city in Mexico. Nearby destinations include Lake Chapala, home to a large and vibrant American community, and many lovely colonial towns. Other popular tourist destinations in the Guadalajara consular district include the beach towns of Puerto Vallarta and Manzanillo. There is something for everyone in Mexico, and Jalisco and its neighboring states are no exception.

Travel Tips

Health

Guadalajara is located at an elevation of around 5,000 feet. In such high-altitude areas, most people need a short adjustment period. Symptoms of reaction to high altitude include a lack of energy, shortness of breath, occasional dizziness, headache, and insomnia. Those with heart problems should consult their doctor before traveling. It can take time to adjust to a higher altitude – take care not to overexert in the initial stages of a trip to Guadalajara. Air pollution in Guadalajara is severe, especially from December to May, and combined with high altitude could affect travelers with underlying respiratory problems.

No additional vaccinations are required to travel to Mexico. Travelers should be aware of the dangers of mosquito-borne diseases such as dengue fever and malaria, especially during the rainy season.

In Guadalajara, tap water is unsafe and should be avoided. Bottled water and beverages are safe although visitors should be aware that many restaurants and hotels serve tap water unless bottled water is specifically requested. Ice may also come from tap water and should be used with caution. Visitors should exercise caution when buying food or beverages from street vendors.

Personal medication can be brought into Mexico, but should be accompanied by documentation that the medication has been prescribed. Additionally, returning to the United States with nonprescription medications or large quantities of medications may be illegal.

Security

The following information pertains specifically to the Consular District of the US Consulate General Guadalajara. This Consular District contains the states of Jalisco, Nayarit, Colima, and Aguascalientes. The security situation in the Guadalajara Consular District is generally good but there are certain places where American Citizens are discouraged from visiting or where heightened caution is warranted. Because the situation is fluid and the dangerous areas can change, we recommend all travelers visit the State Department's website (www.travel.state.gov) and read the latest Travel Advisory for Mexico.

Guadalajara, Puerto Vallarta, and Lake Chapala host hundreds of thousands of American tourists and retirees every year and most enjoy incident-free visits. Street crime is the most likely interruption to any visit and gradually increasing levels of cartel and organized crime activity also pose a risk to Americans. Using common sense and keeping a low profile is typically enough to mitigate these risks but a few of the most important personal security precautions bear enumeration.

Being aware of your surroundings and projecting confidence are important deterrents to street crime. You should always try to know where you are going and do your best to make it look as if you do, even when you don't. Traveling in pairs or groups and keeping to areas frequented by tourists are the best ways to avoid ending up where you don't belong.

Keeping a low profile is another important deterrent to street crime. We recommend against wearing expensive jewelry or being conspicuous with your cash. While we recommend you carry enough cash to meet your expenses, we also recommend you not carry more than you need. If you are the subject of a robbery attempt, do not resist and give the attacker what they demand. You may want to

leave credit and debit cards locked in a hotel safe when out after dark, rather than carry them with you.

We further recommend that you only use reputable ATMs at bank branches during daylight hours. Always maintain a heightened sense of awareness when approaching an ATM and if something looks unusual or there are people loitering about, do not use the ATM.

Most hotels in Guadalajara and other cities within the Consular District are reasonably secure but there have been instances where Americans have reported having things stolen from their rooms. We recommend that you do not bring any unnecessary valuable items and use hotel safes to store those valuable items that you do bring.

Cartel violence in Guadalajara and throughout Jalisco has mostly been cartel-on-cartel or cartel-on-police attacks. Typically this violence takes the form of assassinations, with attackers arriving in SUVs or motorcycles, shooting their intended target multiple times then fleeing. Police response to such incidents is typically slow. In more egregious cases, cartels have used stolen cars to form roadblocks to either ambush a target or flee from Mexican authorities. Such large scale events often involve automatic weapons and grenades and naturally pose greater risks to civilians. The best way to minimize the risks posed by cartel violence is to be aware of your surroundings at all times and be prepared to stop or turnaround at the first sign of trouble. If something doesn't look right, immediately take whatever measures are available to avoid the potentially dangerous situation.

American Citizen Services

Passport Services

U.S. Passport Book

A U.S. passport is valid for all methods of travel into and out of the United States. The Consulate can accept both first-time passport applications and passport renewals. All passport applications are sent to the U.S. for processing, so please allow sufficient time between your application and your intended travel dates. Emergency passport services are for verifiable emergencies only, and the consular officer will require proof of your emergency.

Passport Card

A passport card is valid for international travel by land and sea, but not by air. Many people choose to use a passport card as a form of identification within Mexico, as it clearly demonstrates the citizenship of the bearer. By carrying the passport card as identification in your daily life, you can leave your passport book in a secure location. For more information on the passport card, please go to http://travel.state.gov/passport/ppt_card/ppt_card_3926.html.

Consular Report of Birth Abroad (CRBA)

U.S. Citizens are encouraged to report the birth of a child abroad as soon as possible. Most children born abroad to a U.S. citizen parent or parents acquire U.S. citizenship at birth. Timely reporting will make it easier to assemble all of the documentation required to register the birth. After the birth, the U.S. citizen parent should contact the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate.

If the consular officer determines that the child has acquired U.S. citizenship, a Consular Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United States of America (Form FS-240) will be prepared. This document is recognized in the United States as proof of acquisition of U.S. citizenship, and it is acceptable evidence of citizenship for obtaining a passport, entering school, and most other purposes.

Failure to document a child promptly as a U.S. citizen may cause hardship for the parents or child later on when attempting to obtain a passport or register for school.

A CRBA can be issued only at an American Consular Office overseas, and only before the child reaches 18 years of age. The U.S. Consulate General Guadalajara strongly encourages all U.S. citizens who have children born in Mexico to register them as U.S. citizens as soon as possible after birth.

Parents seeking to obtain a CRBA for a child must be able to demonstrate to the interviewing consular officer that:

- ◆ At least one of the parents was a U.S. citizen at the time of the child’s birth;
- ◆ The child is the biological child of the U.S. citizen parent(s); and
- ◆ If only one of the parents is a U.S. citizen, the U.S. citizen parent was physically present in the United States for the required length of time prior to the birth of the child.

If both parents are U.S. citizens, at least one of them must have resided in the United States prior to the child’s birth. The period of physical presence in the United States required to transmit citizenship to a child born abroad varies depending on the date of birth of the child and the marital status of the parents. Please see the following Citizenship Chart to determine which category applies to you and your child.

CITIZENSHIP CHART

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| <p>BIRTH ABROAD OF TWO U.S. CITIZEN PARENTS IN WEDLOCK</p> | <p>A child born abroad to two U.S. citizen parents acquires U.S. citizenship at birth under Section 301 (c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA).</p> |
| <p>BIRTH ABROAD OF ONE U.S. CITIZEN AND ONE ALIEN PARENT IN WEDLOCK</p> | <p>A child born abroad to one U.S. citizen parent and one alien parent acquires U.S. citizenship at birth under Section 301 (g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) provided that the U.S. citizen parent was physically present in the U.S., or one of its outlying possessions, for the time period required by the law applicable at the time of the child’s birth.</p> |
| <p>Birth between December 24, 1952 and November 13, 1986</p> | <p>The U.S. citizen parent must have been physically present in the U.S., or one of its outlying possessions, for a period of ten years; at least five of those years must have been after the age of fourteen and prior to the child’s birth.</p> |
| <p>Birth on or after November 13, 1986</p> | <p>The U.S. citizen parent must have been physically present in the U.S., or one of its outlying possessions, for a period of five years; at least two of those years must have been after the age of fourteen and prior to the child’s birth.</p> |

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| <p align="center">BIRTH ABROAD OUT-OF-WEDLOCK TO A U.S. CITIZEN FATHER</p> | <p>A child born out-of-wedlock to a U.S. citizen father may acquire U.S. citizenship under Section 301 (g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as made applicable by Section 309 (a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ A blood relationship between the child and the father is established by clear and convincing evidence. ◆ The father had the nationality of the United States at the time of the child’s birth. ◆ The father (unless deceased) agrees in writing to provide financial support to the child until he or she reaches the age of 18 years. <p>While the child is under the age of 18 years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ The child is legitimated under the law of his or her residence or domicile ◆ The father acknowledges paternity of the applicant in writing under oath, OR ◆ An adjudication court establishes the paternity. |
| <p align="center">BIRTH ABROAD OUT-OF-WEDLOCK TO A U.S. CITIZEN MOTHER</p> | <p>A child born abroad out-of-wedlock to a U.S. citizen mother may acquire U.S. citizenship under Section 301 (g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as made applicable by Section 309 (c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), if the mother was a U.S. citizen at the time of the child’s birth and if the mother had been physically present in the U.S. or one of its outlying possessions for a continuous period of one year.</p> |

Obtaining a Consular Report of Birth Abroad

Step 1: Make an Appointment

To schedule your appointment go to <https://evisaforms.state.gov/acs/default.asp?postcode=GDL&appcode=1>

Please check appointment availability at least a month in advance, and make an appointment for a time convenient for you. Please print the confirmation of your appointment and bring it with you to the Consulate on the appropriate day.

Step 2: Download and Fill out the Required Forms

Before your CRBA appointment, you need to download, print, and fill out the following two forms:

The CRBA application form DS-2029, available at <http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/156216.pdf>, and

The Affidavit of Parentage and Physical Presence, available at <http://photos.state.gov/libraries/guadalajara/38021/hawkesa/AFFIDAVIT%20PHYSICAL%20PRESENCE.doc>

Step 3: Collect the Required Proof of Birth and Parentage

The following documents are required:

- ◆ **Mexican Birth Certificate:** Bring the child’s long-form birth certificate which is issued by the local authorities.
- ◆ **Secretariat of Health (Secretaria de Salud) Hospital Certificate of Birth:** Issued by the hospital and required by the Mexican Civil Registry to complete the official birth certificate.

- ◆ **Prenatal Documents:** Ultrasounds, prescriptions, medical records, etc.
- ◆ **Evidence of Parents' U.S. Citizenship:** Please present one of the following documents for **one or both** parents: U.S. Passport (valid or expired); U.S. birth certificate; Certificate of Naturalization; Certificate of Citizenship; or Consular Report of Birth Abroad. All documents presented must be original.
- ◆ **Evidence of Both Parents' Identity:** Driver's license, Mexican Voting Card, Passport.
- ◆ **Proof of Physical Presence in the U.S.:** If only one parent is a U.S. citizen, you must provide proof of physical presence in the U.S. Please see the preceding citizenship chart to determine the requirements for your particular case. Proof of physical presence in the U.S. may consist of, but is not limited to, the following: U.S. school transcripts, military records, immunization records, etc. Please note that assignment overseas while serving in the U.S. military or other federal employment is considered physical presence for this purpose.
- ◆ Parents' marriage certificate and documentary proof of termination of any prior marriages such as a divorce decree or death certificate.
- ◆ **If the parents are not married and only the father is a U.S. citizen, proof of the parents' relationship must be presented. You may present:** dated personal letters and cards, emails, dated photographs, telephone records, Western Union receipts, etc. Other additional documents may be requested by the Consular officer. In the absence of other proof, applicants may request DNA testing to prove parentage. The collection of the samples must be performed by a Consulate approved doctor, at the Consulate, and must be paid for by the applicant.

Step 4: Arrive at the Consulate for your Appointment and Interview.

Please arrive early (The American Citizen Services entrance is on Calle Lopez Cotilla) in order to allow time to go through the security procedures.

The application fee for a CRBA is subject to change. Please refer to our website for current fee information. Fees must be paid in the Consulate at the time of your appointment. Payment must be made in cash, either U.S. dollars or the Mexican peso equivalent, or with a major credit card. Credit cards will be charged in U.S. dollars. Checks cannot be accepted. The delivery service fee must be paid in cash in Mexican pesos.

We encourage you to apply for the child's passport at the same time as you apply for the CRBA, as a passport is required for all air travel to the United States. Please view the following link for passport requirements for minors and associated passport fees: <http://guadalajara.usconsulate.gov/firsttimeppt.html>.

Note: If you were issued a CRBA and need a replacement, see page 49.

Report of Death Abroad

Legal proceedings in the U.S. require proof of death. In the event of this unfortunate occurrence, the U.S. Consulate can assist with obtaining appropriate, translated, legal documentation of the death of a citizen. The Consulate can also provide information regarding the burial or transport of remains back to the U.S.

The Consulate will then notify next of kin of the deceased. The Consulate will also provide assistance in making arrangements for the disposition of the remains and, if desired, the shipment of the remains back to the United States. Costs for preparing and returning the remains from Mexico to the U.S. are the responsibility of the family.

At the request of the next of kin, the Consulate will prepare a Consular Report of Death of an American Citizen Abroad based on the local death certificate. This report can be used as proof of death in most legal proceedings in the United States.

If the next of kin are present, the process is facilitated for both the Consulate staff and the grieving family. Please consider your family even if you choose to live away from them, and maintain an updated, easy-to-locate contact list for use in case of emergency or death. In the event of the death of a U.S. citizen, please call the U.S. Consulate.

To File a Consular Report of Death Abroad

In order to issue a Consular Report of Death Abroad, the Consulate will require the following documents :

- ◆ The Mexican Death Certificate (Acta de Defunción)
- ◆ Evidence of the deceased's U.S. citizenship, such as a passport, birth certificate, or Certificate of Naturalization
- ◆ The deceased's Social Security Number
- ◆ The next-of kin's photo I.D., address, and telephone number
- ◆ If the next-of-kin's last name and the deceased's do not match, evidence of kinship is required, such as birth or marriage certificates.

All documents must be original.

As the next-of-kin, you will receive 20 certified copies of the Consular Report of Death of an American Citizen Abroad at no cost. If you need more copies, please request them at the beginning of the process. Later requests for additional copies must be processed through the Department of State in Washington for a fee.

Funeral Services

Losing a loved one is difficult and can be even more difficult if the death occurs outside the U.S. Procedures relating to death and the disposition of remains are different in Mexico. The information contained here is general, is for deaths with no unusual circumstances, does not constitute legal advice, and is not meant to be exhaustive. Procedures and requirements may vary from case to case and depending on local authorities.

The Consulate and Consular Agency can assist family and friends in the event of the death of a U.S. citizen loved one in the Mexican states of Jalisco, Nayarit, Aguascalientes, and Colima. We maintain a list of local funeral homes. We can assist you in making arrangements with the Mexican funeral home for disposition of the deceased and forwarding of personal effects. We will work with the funeral home to ensure proper documentation for shipment of remains to the U.S. The U.S. Consulate and Consular Agencies cannot cover any of these costs; **family or friends of the deceased are responsible for all expenses.**

Decisions regarding the disposition of remains must be made quickly when the death occurs in Mexico. The remains can be interred in Mexico, cremated and interred in Mexico, embalmed and transported by air to the U.S., or cremated and transported by air to the U.S. In cases where embalmed remains will be sent to the states via air shipment, the next of kin must choose a U.S. funeral home to receive the remains. The local Mexican funeral home and the U.S. funeral home will act as your agents during the repatriation. Complete contact information for the U.S. funeral home must be provided to the Mexican funeral home. It is very important that they have clear lines of communication. Payment must typically be received before the Mexican funeral home will send remains to the U.S. funeral home.

The deceased is legally in the custody of the local police authorities (Ministerio Público) until they have authorized, in writing, the release to the next of kin. Please note the funeral home you select in Mexico cannot begin the process of repatriation until the local authorities have released the remains to the funeral home with your written, notarized authorization.

If the death occurred outside of a doctor's care, family and/or friends traveling with the deceased must give a statement at the local police station explaining events and attesting to the identity of the deceased person. Four copies of the passport and FMM (*Forma Migratoria Múltiple*) of each person giving a statement and of the deceased must be presented. At this time the police will normally release the deceased from their custody to the funeral home designated by the next of kin, pending the autopsy.

Local law requires that an autopsy be done on all foreigners that pass away in Mexico except in cases deemed "death by natural causes." There are no exceptions. In case of "natural death," the attending doctor will provide the family of the deceased or the Mexican funeral home with the death certificate (at a cost) and the family will be required to fill out and sign a form giving information about the deceased for the death certificate. This form will be taken to the civil registry office by the Mexican funeral home. The medical examiner will provide the funeral home with the death certificate. The funeral home will assist you with the entire process.

At the request of the next of kin, the U.S. Consulate Guadalajara will prepare a Consular Report of Death of an American Citizen Abroad based on the local death certificate. This Report can be used as proof of death in most legal proceedings in the United States.

To Ship Remains Back to the U.S.

If embalmed remains are to be shipped back to the U.S. for interment, the Mexican funeral home will provide documentation to accompany the casket. The Consulate will translate the documents and provide a transit letter in English to satisfy U.S. Customs requirements. The document service is free, but the cost of transport may be greater than \$5,000 USD.

Due to Mexican law, unembalmed remains may not be transported. The U.S. Consulate is unable to assist anyone who wishes to transport unembalmed remains back to the U.S. for interment.

To Return to the U.S. with Cremated Ashes

Transporting cremated ashes back to the U.S. does not require any further documentation from the Consulate. You may carry the ashes with you in your hand luggage accompanied by the Mexican Death Certificate (*Acta de Defuncion*) and a *Constancia de Cremacion*, which will be provided to you by the Mexican funeral home. The cost of cremation will probably be at least \$1,000 USD.

Further information can be found at the State Department website listed below.

Return of Remains of Deceased American

http://www.travel.state.gov/law/family_issues/death/death_595.html

Estate of Deceased U.S. Citizens

http://www.travel.state.gov/law/family_issues/death/death_596.html

Notarial Services

Notarial services are performed between 2:00 to 3:00 pm Monday through Thursday, except for U. S. and Mexican holidays.

Please bring the documents to be notarized, proof of identity such as a passport or driver's license, and cash in U.S. dollars or the Mexican equivalent. The fees are subject to change; refer to our website for the fee for each notarization and seal.

You must arrange for your own witnesses, if necessary. The Consulate can only notarize signatures, and cannot vouch for the veracity of the content or the authenticity of a notarized document.

Information regarding authentication or legalization of documents, including how to obtain an apostille, is available on the [Notarial And Authentication Services](http://travel.state.gov/law/judicial/judicial_2086.html) page on the U.S. State Department's website: http://travel.state.gov/law/judicial/judicial_2086.html

Receiving Federal Benefits:

Answers to questions about Social Security, Civil Service, Veterans, Railroad Retiree and Office of Personnel Management (OPM) civil service pensions and benefits can be obtained by calling the U.S. Consulate Guadalajara at (01) (33) 3268-2139 or (01) (800) 772-6394, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (except U.S. and Mexican holidays).

Prior to your move abroad you should contact the federal agency (Social Security Administration, Veterans Affairs, Railroad Retirement Board, or Office of Personnel Management) from which you receive a monthly check to report your change of address. This will help you avoid a lost or delayed payment. Even if your payments are being sent to a bank, you must provide the federal agency with your new address.

You should also contact the U.S. Embassy or Consulate nearest your place of residence upon your arrival and advise them of your current address. Each time you move while living abroad, you should notify the U.S. Embassy or Consulate at least 60 days prior to your move. This will enable the federal agency to update its records so your checks are sent to your new address.

The Federal Benefits Unit (FBU) works alongside the American Citizens Services Unit and can process claims, accept applications for Social Security cards for U.S. citizens and Mexican nationals who are entitled to work in the United States, and provide assistance in resolving any problems about entitlements.

They can also process changes of address and assist when payments do not arrive. Any U.S. or Mexican Citizens who are entitled to Social Security benefits may use the services of FBU.

More information is available on the Internet at www.ssa.gov.

Tax Information

American Residents of a foreign country who receive a salary or benefits from the U.S. may be required to pay income tax in the U.S. Please consult the IRS directly for specific, up-to-date information at www.irs.gov.

Specific information for U.S. Citizens and residents living abroad can be found at <http://www.irs.gov/publications/p54/index.html>.

Voting in the U.S. from Mexico

On October 28, 2009, Congress enacted the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act. This legislation amends existing law regarding overseas voting in federal elections, and should make voting easier for overseas Americans.

The Department of State strongly encourages all U.S. overseas voters to provide email addresses or fax numbers on their Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA) to enable local election officials to transmit election materials in the fastest manner available, which should then allow sufficient time for the return of voted ballots. For information regarding your specific state, please visit www.fvap.gov.

Basic Absentee Voting Process

We strongly encourage you to register to vote and/or request absentee ballots as early in an election year as possible to ensure that you will receive all ballots for which you are eligible. Should questions or problems occur, you will still be able to address them in time to vote in the general elections.

The following is the basic absentee voting process:

- ◆ Complete an application form (see below) and send it to local election officials in the U.S.
- ◆ The local official approves your request or contacts you for further information.
- ◆ The local official sends you an absentee ballot.
- ◆ You vote the ballot and send it back in time to meet your state's deadline.

The official U.S. Government website for overseas absentee voting assistance is the Federal Voting Assistance Program website at <http://www.fvap.gov/>. It has a wealth of information about absentee voting,

including the downloadable absentee ballot application, state-specific instructions for completing the form, links to state and local officials, and a downloadable emergency ballot.

To register to vote and to request an absentee ballot, download the (FPCA). You can also obtain this form from overseas American citizens groups or from the U.S. Consulate General Guadalajara. Fill it out and send it in, following the guidelines for your state. If you are using the U.S. postal system, a postage-paid envelope template can be found at <http://www.fvap.gov/resources/media/returnenvelope.pdf>.

Each state has different voting procedures and deadlines to register and vote. Visit <http://www.fvap.gov/FPCA/index.html> for information about your state's procedures.

Emergency Ballots

Beginning in January 2011, a new law allows use of the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) for primary, special, and runoff elections for federal offices. Voters who request an absentee ballot in advance of their state's ballot request deadline, but who fail to receive an official ballot from local election officials in time to vote, should complete the FWAB by writing in the names of the candidates and the offices for which they are running and send it back in time to meet your state's ballot receipt deadline. Visit <http://www.fvap.gov/FWAB/index.html> for the emergency ballot (SF-186, Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot, or FWAB).

Overseas Citizens' Groups

Overseas citizens' groups help people to vote. We encourage you to contact Democrats Abroad, Republicans Abroad or other American citizens groups or organizations for assistance in registering to vote

and requesting absentee ballots. Links to these groups are at <http://www.fvap.gov/reference/links.html>.

Be an educated voter. Non-partisan information about candidates, their voting records, and their positions on issues is widely available and easy to obtain via the Internet. Use the [links](#) from the [Federal Voting Assistance Program website](#), or choose any one of several search engines to locate articles and information.

New Procedures Since 2010 Elections

Beginning with the November 2010 general election, and for all subsequent general, special, and primary elections, states will be required to mail out ballots at least 45 days prior to an election for a federal office.

In addition to mailing ballots to overseas voters, the states will be required, at the voter's request, to provide registration forms, absentee ballot request forms, and blank ballots via fax or email. However, each state's laws determine whether ballot requests or voted ballots can be returned via fax or email. The new law prohibits states from rejecting marked ballots based on notarization, paper size, or paper weight requirements. The witnessing requirements of individual states remain in place.

State Department Recommendations

In light of these changes, the Department of State recommends that all U.S. voters residing abroad request absentee ballots from their local election officials at the start of each calendar year and whenever there is a change of address, change of e-mail address, or change of name, by completing and sending in a FPCA. To locate information on your specific state's requirements, and to obtain an on-line version of the FPCA, please visit www.fvap.gov

Voters may also pick up a hard copy of the FPCA from any U.S. embassy or consulate. FPCAs may be mailed to your local voting officials in the United States via international mail or from any U.S. embassy or consulate. Many states allow U.S. citizens overseas to submit the FPCA by e-mail or fax.

Consulate Voting Assistance Officer

The Voting Assistance Officer at the U.S. Consulate Guadalajara is available to answer questions about absentee voting. To contact the Voting Assistance Officer, call (33) 3268-2200 x 2273 or send an e-mail to acsmdl@state.gov.

Registering for Selective Service

Male U.S. citizens who are between the ages of 18 and 26 must register with the Selective Service, whether or not they currently reside in the U.S. Not registering could have repercussions, including ineligibility for federal student financial aid. Registration for Selective Service can be done online at <http://www.sss.gov/>.

Visiting and Residing in Mexico

Visas/Residency Requirements

Tourist Visits

American citizens are not required to have visas for vacations in Mexico. An FMM, or tourist card, will be issued to you at your point of entry. This form must be kept for the duration of your trip, and surrendered when you exit the country. If you intend to stay longer than 180 days, or engage in any sort of business-related activities during your stay, you must have the appropriate visa, residency card, or other required paperwork. Please confirm all requirements well in advance of your intended trip.

If you would like to extend a tourist stay, you need to go to an INM office (Instituto Nacional de Migración) to request an extension of your visa. You will need to bring your valid passport, as well as the tourist card you received at your point of entry. You will also need to prove that you can finance your stay, and you will have to pay a fee to extend the visa.

Residency

There are two different residency forms commonly used by Americans who wish to live in Mexico long-term. The FM-3 is a form for those who wish to reside in Mexico, but who are not seeking permanent status. Most retirees use this form. It is also used for working professionals and some types of student visas. The FM-3 is renewable. To receive an FM-3, you will have to provide, among other things, proof of income or financial means. The FM-2 is used for those who wish to reside and work in Mexico. It confers a status which is similar to that of a U.S. Legal Permanent Resident.

For more specific information regarding the FM-2 and the FM-3, please inquire with a Mexican Consulate in the U.S. They will be able to provide you with specific, up-to-date information. It is recommended that you have several copies of all required documentation. After entering Mexico with an FM-2 or FM-3, you will need to register with the *Secretaría de Gobernación* (Secretary of the Interior) within 30 days. Renewals of FM-2 and FM-3 occur within Mexico, and must be made within 30 days of the expiration of your FM-3.

If you need to leave Mexico while your FM-2 or FM-3 is in any stage of processing or renewal, you must apply to the Mexican government for permission. The Permiso de Salida y Regreso can be found at the INM website (<http://www.inm.gob.mx>).

Citizenship

To acquire Mexican citizenship, you must hold a valid FM-2 for a qualifying period of time. The time period can vary depending on your personal circumstances. You must also pass a citizenship test, which requires some knowledge of Spanish language and Mexican laws. You may wish to retain the services of an immigration lawyer to help you through the process.

Students

Students who will be studying in a program which lasts for fewer than six months (180 days) may enter and reside in Mexico on a tourist card (FMM). Students who enroll in longer programs will need a student visa. For more information, contact INM at <http://www.inm.gob.mx>.

Working in Mexico

Americans who wish to work in Mexico must have employment visas. The appropriate Mexican agency is the INM (Instituto Nacional de Migración). You must get permission from the INM to reside in Mexico

and authorization to do paid work. Generally, INM requires proof that you have a job offer from a Mexican business or institute.

For more information, contact the Mexican Embassy or Consulate nearest you in the United States. The Mexican Embassy maintains a list of the addresses of its Embassy and Consulates in the United States. You may also wish to contact the Mexican Immigration Office

Instituto Nacional de Migración

Homero 1832

Col. Los Morales

Mexico, D.F.

Telephone: 011-52-55-5387-2400. (You should expect that the person who answers your call will speak only Spanish.)

Working at the Consulate

In general, there are few employment opportunities available to U.S. citizens in the U.S. Embassy or the Consulates. American embassies and consulates are staffed by career Foreign Service personnel who have qualified for appointment through competitive entrance examinations, and who agree at the time of their appointment to serve anywhere in the world.

U.S. citizens wishing to apply for positions advertised on the website must legally reside in Mexico. Applicants must have the necessary work permits (FM-2 or FM-3) and at least six months residency in Mexico.

All job opportunities are posted on the U.S. Consulate website, <http://guadalajara.usconsulate.gov/about-us/job-opportunities2.html>.

Opening a Business in Mexico

The U.S. Foreign Commercial Service, a part of the U.S. Department of Commerce, has a number of resources and services to foster Ameri-

can business interests in Mexico. Among the services available are: access to specialists familiar with your industry, market research, sector analysis, pre-arranged appointments with targeted businesses, and international company profiles. The Commercial Service also operates the Ron Brown Business Center, a suite of office space available for long- and short-term lease. For more information, please go to <http://www.buyusa.gov/mexico/en/>

The office in Guadalajara is responsible for commercial activities in the States of Jalisco, Guanajuato, Michoacan, Aguascalientes, Sinaloa, Nayarit, and Colima, and is located on the 4th Floor of the Torre Pacifico at the World Trade Center:

Av. Mariano Otero No. 1249

Col. Rinconada del Bosque

44530 Guadalajara, Jalisco

Telephone: +52 (33) 3615-1140 ext. 102

Fax: 3615-7665

Renting Property in Mexico

Renting property in Mexico is very common, and the same cautions that apply in the U.S. apply in Mexico. Research the area before you enter into a contract. Ask questions, and ensure that any verbal agreements are included in the final contract before anything is signed. You may wish to retain a lawyer to help iron out any unexpected wrinkles.

Owning Property in Mexico

U.S. citizens should be aware of the risks inherent in purchasing real estate in Mexico, and should exercise extreme caution before entering into any form of commitment to invest in property there. Investors should hire competent Mexican legal counsel when contemplating any real estate investment. Mexican laws and practices regarding real estate differ substantially from those in the United States. For-

eigners who purchase property in Mexico may find that property disputes with Mexican citizens may not be treated evenhandedly by Mexican criminal justice authorities and in the courts. Time-share companies cannot be sued in U.S. courts unless they have an office or other business presence in the U.S. Consumers should contact a Mexican attorney, PROFECO (Mexican consumer protection agency, <http://www.profeco.gob.mx/>), or another consumer information agency for information on companies that operate outside of the U.S.

Title insurance is available in the Baja Peninsula and in other parts of Mexico; it is virtually unknown and remains untested in most of the country. In addition, Mexican law recognizes squatters' rights, and homeowners can spend thousands of dollars in legal fees and years of frustration in trying to remove squatters who occupy their property. U.S. citizens interested in acquiring property in Mexico should do thorough research on the property and retain competent Mexican legal counsel to guide their purchase.

Buying a Car in Mexico

A foreigner must be a legal resident of Mexico in order to purchase a car and hold a Mexican driver's license. There is no system of tracking accidents in Mexico and the idea of caveat emptor, or "buyer beware," is necessary.

Selling a Car in Mexico

In order to sell an imported car in Mexico, the car must first be nationalized. The process is lengthy, complicated, and according to many, not worth the time and frustration. Also, if the vehicle ownership and re-registration has not been properly handled, you could be found legally liable for accidents or problems caused by the current owner of the vehicle.

Selling a Mexican car in Mexico is simple, but again, vehicle ownership and re-registration must be correctly filed. If not, you could be found

legally liable for accidents or problems caused by the current owner of the vehicle.

Importing a Car

Both residents of Mexico and tourists visiting Mexico may temporarily import a vehicle. Foreigners may only bring one vehicle into Mexico at a time, and may only own one vehicle purchased outside Mexico at a time. A vehicle purchased outside Mexico may not be sold within Mexico. If you enter Mexico on a tourist card with a vehicle, you must leave the country with the vehicle. When you leave, you must stop at the border and allow the Customs agent to remove the permit sticker from your windshield. If you do not allow them to remove the sticker, you may not be allowed to bring another car into Mexico. If you are using an FM-2 or FM-3, or if you plan on returning frequently to Mexico by car, you may leave with the permit sticker on the car. However, you must return to Mexico in the same car, with the sticker still in place. If you sell the car or otherwise dispose of it in the U.S. without returning the permit, you will be in the system as having a car in-country. This will result in a fine, and possibly a prohibition on bringing any more imported vehicles.

To Bring a Car into Mexico Temporarily

When driving your personal vehicle in Mexico on a tourist card, you are authorized to keep the car in country for 180 days, the same amount of time you are permitted to remain in country. When you leave the country, the vehicle must be taken with you. If you do not take your vehicle with you, you will probably be fined if you attempt to bring another car into Mexico. This is true even if you have reported the car stolen.

You will need to have the following paperwork:

- ◆ Vehicle Registration or Title for your vehicle (bring the original and two copies)
- ◆ A valid U.S. or Canadian Driver's License
- ◆ Proof of Legal Residence in the U.S.: Passport or Resident Alien Card

When you arrive at the border:

- ◆ Go to the Mexican Customs (Aduana)/Vehicle Control Checkpoint.
- ◆ Fill out the form: Temporary Import Permit.
- ◆ Fill out the form: Vehicle Return Promise Agreement.
- ◆ Fill out the form: Tourist Card (FMM).
- ◆ Go to a nearby Banjercito branch (Mexican Army Bank) with those three forms.
- ◆ Complete the vehicle security deposit procedure by using any of the three available methods: Credit Card, Bond or Bank Deposit.

Alternatively, you can apply for your permit in advance at <http://www.banjercito.com.mx/>

The permit will be mailed to your home address. You can also apply for your permit at Mexican consulates in select American cities. Check with <http://www.banjercito.com.mx/> for a complete listing.

Other Helpful Information

Using this process, you may not sell, trade, or otherwise dispose of your vehicle in Mexico. You must have these documents with you while driving: Temporary Import Permit, Vehicle Return Promise Agreement, Tourist Card (FMM), your Driver's License, and Proof of Citizenship. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Do not leave any documents in your unattended vehicle.

The temporarily imported vehicle may be driven by the spouse or adult children of the importer (U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident of the U.S.). Also, foreigners with the same Mexican immigration status of the importer may drive the vehicle. Mexican nationals residing in Mexico, foreigners, or foreigners residing permanently in Mexico may drive the vehicle only if the importer, the importer's spouse, or the importer's adult son or daughter is in the vehicle.

Leaving Mexico with your Vehicle

- ◆ You must go to a Banjercito (Mexican Army Bank) branch office at the border.
- ◆ Turn in forms: Temporary Import Permit and Vehicle Return Promise Agreement.
- ◆ Your vehicle security deposit or your bond agreement will be returned, depending on the method you used.
- ◆ At the border, turn in your Tourist Card (FMM).

To Bring a Car into Mexico for a Permanent/Long-term Stay:

When driving your personal vehicle in Mexico as a long-term or permanent resident, you are authorized to keep the car in country for the same amount of time you are permitted to remain in country.

Once you have properly documented your vehicle at the border, your vehicle will be legal in Mexico as long as you are.

If you leave the country permanently, the vehicle must be taken with you. If you do not take your vehicle with you, you will probably be fined if you attempt to bring another car to Mexico. This is true if you have reported the car stolen.

You will need to have the following paperwork:

- ◆ Vehicle Registration or Title for your vehicle (bring the original and two copies)
- ◆ A valid U.S. or Canadian Driver's License
- ◆ Proof of Legal Residence in the U.S.: Passport or Resident Alien Card

When you Arrive at the Border

- ◆ Go to the Mexican Customs (Aduana)/Vehicle Control Checkpoint.
- ◆ Fill out the form: Temporary Import Permit.
- ◆ Fill out the form: Vehicle Return Promise Agreement.
- ◆ Fill out the form: Tourist Card (FMM).
- ◆ Go to a nearby Banjercito (Mexican Army Bank) branch with those three forms.
- ◆ Complete the vehicle security deposit procedure by using any of the three available methods: Credit Card, Bond or Bank Deposit.

Other Helpful Information

Using this process, you may not sell, trade, or otherwise dispose of your vehicle in Mexico. You must have these documents with you while driving: Temporary Import Permit, Vehicle Return Promise Agreement, Tourist Card (FMM), your Driver's License, and Proof of Citizenship. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Do not leave any documents in your unattended vehicle.

The temporarily imported vehicle may be driven by the spouse or adult children of the importer (U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident of the U.S.). Also, foreigners with the same Mexican immigration status of the importer may drive the vehicle. Mexican nationals residing in Mexico, foreigners, or foreigners residing permanently in Mexico may drive the vehicle only if the importer, the importer's spouse, or the importer's adult son or daughter is in the vehicle.

Leaving Mexico with your Vehicle

- ◆ You must go to a Banjercito (Mexican Army Bank) branch office at the border.
- ◆ Turn in forms: Temporary Import Permit and Vehicle Return Promise Agreement.
- ◆ Your vehicle security deposit or your bond agreement will be returned, depending on the method you used.
- ◆ At the border, turn in your Tourist Card (FMM).

Driving Information

Driving in Mexico

If you are driving your own car in Mexico, you need to be aware of the restrictions dealing with who can drive your vehicle. Only your spouse, your parents, your children, or your siblings may drive your vehicle unaccompanied. You must be in the car if any unrelated person is driving your vehicle.

American citizens with valid U.S. driver's licenses do not need a Mexican driver's license to drive legally in Mexico. You cannot get a Mexican driver's license if you entered the country as a tourist. As in the U.S., each Mexican state issues driver's licenses differently. Please inquire with the appropriate state authority. Generally, if you want to get a Mexican driver's license, you must go to the Secretaria de Transportes y Vialidad with the original and two copies of the following documents:

- ◆ Valid passport
- ◆ FM-2 or FM-3
- ◆ Proof of address (this could be a telephone bill, for example)
- ◆ Health declaration
- ◆ Valid foreign driving license

There may be a written examination. Although it is generally administered in Spanish, sometimes arrangements can be made to take the examination in English.

Replacing a Mexican Driver's License

As previously mentioned, each state in Mexico has its own procedure for granting driver's licenses. To replace a lost or stolen driver's license, please inquire at the Secretaria de Transportes y Vialidad in the state which initially issued the license. If replacing a stolen license, you may need to provide a copy of the police report as proof of the theft.

Insurance/Registration

Many American insurance policies will not be valid in Mexico. If you plan on driving in Mexico, you should purchase Mexican insurance in case of any accidents. Many companies offer both short-term and long-term policies. Any car you drive in Mexico, whether imported or purchased in Mexico, should be fully registered to avoid any complications in case of an accident.

Accident Procedure

If you are involved in an accident (whether major or minor, whether you are at fault or not) an assessor from your insurance company will have to be called to inspect the damage and the scene. If serious injury has occurred, the police will almost certainly be involved. Make sure you have all of your required documentation with you, as well as your emergency contact numbers and the contact number for your insurance agency.

Household Effects/Import-Export Regulations

Household Effects

If you are moving to Mexico with an FM-3, you are permitted to bring some household goods with you. You are expected to move within six months of receiving your FM-3, but please confirm your dates and Mexican customs regulations at the closest Mexican Consulate. You will need to prepare a clear, itemized inventory of all belongings you are taking with you. These belongings – especially electronics – should be used, not new. This list, or Menaje de Casa, should be translated into Spanish, and will have to be approved by the Mexican Consulate. Be particularly clear with electronic items, and be sure to include their serial numbers on your menaje.

Many moving companies will not handle out-of-country moves. U-Haul and other truck rental companies generally prohibit taking their trucks across the border. When searching for a moving company, be very specific about your requirements in order to avoid unexpected surprises. When packing for your move, please remember Mexican law prohibits the transportation of firearms and ammunition in any quantity.

Marriage Regulations in Mexico

As in the United States, each state in Mexico determines its marriage (and divorce) procedures. You should contact the office of the *Registro Civil* in the jurisdiction where you plan to get married for complete information about the requirements. There are also unofficial sites that also provide useful information on marriage procedures in Mexico.

A marriage that is properly executed in Mexico is valid in the United States (unless the marriage would not be legal in the United States).

Visa/Residency Requirements

To marry another foreigner in Mexico, you do not need to be a resident. However, there are a number of legal requirements that must be followed. Much like in the U.S., these requirements can vary by state, so please research your particular needs. A wedding planner with experience in Mexico can be helpful in this process. You should also be aware that it can be difficult to get married in a church in Mexico. The Catholic Church has very stringent pre-wedding requirements which are generally adhered to in Mexico.

Required Documentation

Legal requirements vary by state, so please confirm your eligibility and requirements ahead of time. Among other things, you will need birth certificates, full-validity passports, travel permits, and local blood tests and chest X-rays. If either party has ever been previously married, you will need to bring the divorce decree or death certificate. Legal documents will need to be notarized by the issuing government, translated into Spanish, and notarized by the Mexican government.

This process can take time; please plan your travel and living arrangements accordingly.

Divorce in Mexico

To obtain a divorce in Mexico, you must be a resident of Mexico. Usually this process takes several months and you must reside here for at least six months before applying for the divorce. You may wish to retain an attorney in Mexico with experience in divorce proceedings.

Travelling with Children

Important Mexican regulations govern travel with minor children. Minor children travelling with only one parent or legal guardian must have written, notarized permission of the absent parent to travel.

Each parent (a couple may sign the same form; if a couple is divorced, each parent must sign the letter) or the legal guardian must sign an affidavit giving the child permission to travel unaccompanied, in the company of one parent, or accompanied by a designated adult. You should include as much specific information in the affidavit as possible. It should give approximate dates, travel itinerary, your names and passport numbers, and any other relevant information that can be included about the trip. The document must be notarized by your local notary public to be valid. A number of unofficial organizations have prepared sample documents that may be used for this purpose. The U.S. Consulate cannot take responsibility for the sufficiency of these forms.

Adopting a Child in Mexico

To adopt a child which you intend to bring to the U.S., you must comply with the requirements of both the Mexican and American governments. Please be advised that you **must** follow the procedures of **both** governments. Additionally, individual states in both the U.S. and Mexico have different laws regarding inter-country adoption proceedings. Please verify the requirements for both your home state and the home state of the child before attempting to adopt. Circumventing these requirements can invalidate an adoption and result in crimi-

nal penalties in both the United States and Mexico. Please go to the State Department website on inter-country adoption (<http://adoption.state.gov>) for specific information regarding adopting a Mexican child.

Mexican Public Documents

To obtain Mexican public documents, such as birth certificates, marriage certificates, and death certificates, you must go to the Registro Civil in the state or town where the certificate was originally issued.

Hague Convention for Foreign Public Documents

Some countries, such as the U.S. and Mexico, follow the Hague Convention for the Legalization of Public Documents. Under this convention, public documents can be authenticated, or legalized for use abroad. This certification, called an apostille, serves as internationally valid notarization of the documents in question. With this method, your documents will be accepted as valid in all signatory countries. Generally, you must apply to the issuing state in order to have a document legalized for use abroad. As of 12 July 2010, a list of competent authorities in Mexico can be found at <http://www.travisa.com/hague.html#mexico>. A list of competent authorities in the U.S. can be found at <http://www.travisa.com/hague.html#states>.

To get an apostille of a document issued in the state of Jalisco, contact:

Oficina de Certificaciones
Avenida Alcalde 1855 (Esquina con Chihuahua)
Guadalajara, Jalisco
Tel. 3819-2470
Office hours 9:00am-3pm Monday thru Friday

U.S. Public Documents

U.S. Birth Certificate

To get a certified copy of a U.S.-issued birth certificate, you must contact the state in which you were born. Generally speaking, you should request a long-form birth certificate because an abstract is not considered sufficient proof for many purposes.

Consular Report of Birth Abroad (CRBA)

You need to write to the Department of State to obtain a certified copy of the Report of Birth Abroad. The address is:

Department of State
Passport Services
Vital Records Section
111 19th Street, N.W., Room 510
Washington, D.C. 20522-1705
Phone (202) 955-0207/0308

Pets from the U.S. to Mexico

You will need a certificate of health for the pet issued within fifteen days of departure by a certified veterinarian. You also need a valid certificate of vaccination showing that your pet has had all its vaccinations within fifteen days of departure. Additional information can be found at the U.S.D.A. website, http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_welfare/pet_travel/pet_travel_basics.shtml. Information can also be found at the CDC website, <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/yellowbook/2010/chapter-6/taking-animals-across-international-borders.aspx>

Please remember that exotic pets, including birds and reptiles, are often subject to more stringent requirements than dogs and cats. It would be best to call Mexican government offices directly for complete information. Contact the nearest Mexican Consulate in the

United States or the "Dirección General de Inspeccion Fitozoosani-taria" in Mexico City: Tel. 011-52-55-5571-3124 Fax 011-52-55-5784-3231.

Pets from Mexico to the U.S.

The U.S. Public Health Service requires that pet dogs and cats brought into this country be examined at the first port of entry for evidence of diseases that can be transmitted to humans.

Travelers with dogs originating from areas not free of rabies must bring a valid rabies vaccination certificate. Each state has its own requirements for health and/or rabies vaccination certification. Information can be found through the U.S.D.A. website, http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/animals/animal_import/animal_imports_states.shtml and through the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol website, <http://www.cbp.gov/> (search Pets and Willdlife)

Information can also be found through the CDC website, <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/yellowbook/2010/chapter-6/taking-animals-across-international-borders.aspx>

Please verify current regulations with the appropriate State Veterinarian. A list of State Veterinarians is available through the U.S.D.A. website.

Medical Information

Emergency Medical Assistance

Most U.S. medical insurance policies, including government-funded Medicare and Medicaid, are invalid in Mexico. Please discuss your policy with your provider to determine how your insurance will be affected by your time in Mexico. There are many insurance providers that specialize in international travel insurance which can be purchased for the specific duration of your trip. If you intend to reside in Mexico, you should consider purchasing a Mexican insurance policy. More information on international medical insurance issues can be found at http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1470.html.

Health care in Mexico varies widely in terms of quality and price. Urban, private hospitals and doctors generally have up-to-date facilities, but more rural settings may not. Nursing homes, hospice care, and home health care are all available in many urban areas.

Medical Providers

Please see the list of doctors and hospitals provided on page 69. An up-to-date list can also be found on our website under the section for "Special Consular Services": <http://guadalajara.usconsulate.gov/medical2.html>

Crime and Legal Issues

Crime

This information on Mexico's legal system is a general description of the criminal justice process in Mexico. Some items of information below may not be relevant or precise with regard to a particular case. Questions involving interpretation of Mexican law should be addressed to legal counsel licensed to practice in Mexico.

Being the victim of a crime in a foreign country can be a devastating and traumatic experience. While no one can undo the emotional trauma, physical injury, or financial loss you may have experienced, the Special Citizen Services (SCS) units at the U.S. Embassy in Mexico City and U.S. Consulates and Consular Agencies throughout Mexico stand ready to help. We are very concerned about crimes committed against U.S. citizens in Mexico. This office, the SCS unit in Mexico, or other Consular Agencies in Mexico, will provide you with pertinent victims' assistance information. We will assist you in managing the practical consequences of being a crime victim and provide you with information about accessing the criminal justice system as well as other resources for crime victims in Mexico and the United States, to the best of our ability.

For a list of lawyers in the Guadalajara Consular District please see page 61. The most current listings can be found under the "Special Consular Services" section of our website :
<http://guadalajara.usconsulate.gov/legal2.html>

Avoiding Crime in Mexico

When traveling in Mexico, you should take the same precautions you would in any large city or foreign country. Be wary of pickpockets and deals that seem too good to be true.

Reporting a Theft

Filing a Police Report and Seeking Prosecution

If you decide to pursue a criminal prosecution, you have a choice as to which type of police report you want to file. The type of report you choose to file is based on the type of crime committed and what you hope to accomplish.

If you intend to pursue criminal charges, the suspect has already been caught, or an arrest is likely, you may file a complaint, or "denuncia," with the judicial police. The filing of this complaint formally starts the investigation with the objective of charging a suspect and going forward to trial. For law enforcement to act as quickly as possible, this complaint should be filed in the judicial district where the crime took place. Nonetheless, the process of filing a complaint may take several hours. Many police stations will not have an English-speaking officer available to assist you. Although consular personnel may assist you with informal interpretation, they cannot act as official translators. They can assist you in finding an English-speaking attorney.

If you want to trigger an investigation, but pursuit of a criminal trial is not likely, you may still file a report called an "Averiguación Previa" or "Reporte de Hechos," with the judicial police. You may need this type of report to pursue an insurance claim or for other purposes. Filing this type of complaint usually takes several hours as well.

If you do decide to file a report or a denuncia, please provide a copy to the U.S. Embassy or closest U.S. Consulate in Mexico accompanied by your address, telephone number, and email address in the event we need to communicate with you. While we are not authorized to act as your legal representative, prosecutor, or investigator, our office can help you track the progress of your case and advise you of any developments.

At your request, our office can also provide additional information regarding ministerios públicos (equivalent to the office of the public prosecutor or district attorney in the U.S.) in Mexico, including those near the U.S. Embassy or Consulates that have English translators available. Ministerios públicos are required to take your report regardless of where in Mexico the crime occurred and regardless of your nationality or residency. Again, it is best to file your report in the jurisdiction where the crime occurred, if possible. If for any reason you have difficulties filing your police report with a Mexican official, please notify the embassy or consulate immediately.

Replacing a Stolen Passport

The U.S. Consulate is happy to assist you if your passport has been stolen. However, please be aware that Emergency Passports are not issued lightly. Also, an emergency passport is of limited validity, and must be replaced with a full validity passport within a year. To receive a same day emergency passport, you must have a verifiable emergency that requires immediate travel. Pre-paid airline tickets are not sufficient for the issuance of an emergency passport.

However, the U.S. Consulate recognizes the needs of travelers who find themselves in difficult situations. Replacement passports can usually be processed fairly quickly. In order to receive a full-validity replacement passport, no appointment is necessary.

You will need to come to the Consulate between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, with the following documents:

Police Report

In the event that your passport is lost or stolen while in Mexico, the U.S. Consulate Guadalajara encourages you to report the loss or theft of your passport to local authorities and to obtain a police report.

Photos

You must bring 2 U.S. passport-sized (2" x 2", or 5 cm x 5 cm) pictures with you. Please note that these photos are larger than the photos required for a Mexican passport. There are no facilities at the Consulate to take pictures.

Your photographs must be:

Identical; In color; 2" x 2" in size (between 1" and 1 3/8" from the bottom of the chin to the top of the head); Taken in normal street attire. Uniforms should not be worn in photographs except for religious attire that is worn daily. Do not wear a hat or headgear that obscures the hair unless it is for religious purposes and worn daily. You may not wear dark glasses unless you need them for medical reasons. **Note: Vending machine photos are not generally acceptable.**

Required Forms

You will have to fill out two forms:

- ◆ Form DS-64, "Statement Regarding A Lost Or Stolen Passport"
- ◆ Form DS-11.

It will expedite the process if you can download and print the forms and arrive at the Consulate with the forms already filled out. **Note:** **Do not sign the forms until you have been instructed to do so by a consular officer.**

Go to the Consulate

You must go to the Consulate in person, preferably between 8:00 am and 11:30 am, Monday through Friday. Bring the police report. Depending on your personal circumstances, the Passport Office will process your application for a new full-validity or emergency (limited-validity) passport.

Fees

Application requirements, including fees, for emergency passports are the same as those for full-validity passports. These fees are subject to change; please refer to our website for current fees.

Fees must be paid in the Consulate at the time of your appointment. Payment must be made in cash, either U.S. dollars or the Mexican peso equivalent, or with a major credit card. Credit cards will be charged in U.S. dollars. Checks cannot be accepted.

U.S. Consular Agency Puerto Vallarta

Please note that you may also apply for an emergency passport at the U.S. Consular Agency in Puerto Vallarta.

Replacing a Stolen Driver's License

An American driver's license is a state-issued document, not a federally issued document. The U.S. Consulate cannot help you replace it. You must place your request with the appropriate state issuing agency.

Replacing Stolen Airline Tickets

To replace stolen airline tickets, please contact the issuing airline. The Consulate can help you to contact family and friends in order to get assistance from them.

Airline Office Contact Information

Aeropuerto Libertador Miguel Hidalgo

Tel: 3688 5141, 3688 5269

Fax: 3688 5516

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| Aeromar 55/5133-1111 800/237 6627 www.aeromar.com.mx | Aeromexico 33/3122 0253 800/021 4000 www.aeromexico.com |
| American Airlines 33/3616 4008 800/904 6000 www.aa.com | Continental Airlines 33/3647 5531 800/900 5000 www.continental.com |
| Delta Airlines 33/3688 5772, 33/3688 5007 800/902 2100 www.delta.com | Interjet 55/1102-5555 800/011-2345 www/interjet.com.mx |
| Viva Aerobus 818/215-0150 (Mexico) 888/935-9848 (U.S.) www.vivaaerobus.com | Volaris 55/1102-8000 (Mexico) 866/988-3527 (U.S.) www.volaris.com.mx |

Replacing Stolen Credit Cards

To replace stolen credit cards, please contact the issuing credit card company. The Consulate cannot financially assist you in getting back to the U.S. The Consulate can help you to contact family and friends in order to get assistance from them.

Common Bank/CC Emergency Numbers

Visa – 001-800-847-2911

Mastercard – 001-800-307-7309

American Express – (call collect) 905-474-0870

Discover – 1-801-902-3100

Emergency Funds/Wire Transfers

There are many companies in the U.S. which can arrange for the transfer of funds into Mexico, including many banks. Procedures and requirements may vary slightly, so please inquire with the company. The person receiving the funds will require a picture ID in order to access them.

In an emergency, the U.S. Consulate Guadalajara can help you contact your family, bank, or employer to arrange for them to send funds.

English-Speaking Organizations and Service Providers

This list of English-speaking service providers in the Guadalajara Consular District is provided as a service to American visitors and residents. This list is not exhaustive and inclusion in this list in no way signifies association with or endorsement by the U.S. Consulate, the U.S. Department of State, or the U.S. Government, in part or in whole.

Additional Resources

Resources for Victims of Crime

- ♦ **Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)**—Resources for US Victims Abroad: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/
- ♦ **International Social Services:** <http://www.iss-usa.org/>
- ♦ **American Overseas Domestic Violence Crisis Center:** www.866uswomen.org
- ♦ **Family Violence Prevention Fund:** <http://www.futureswithoutviolence.org/>
- ♦ **Internet Fraud and Scams**—Travel.State.gov: www.travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/financial_scams/financial_scams_3155.html
- ♦ **Internet Fraud and Scams**—Internet Crime Complain Center (IC3): <http://www.ic3.gov/default.aspx>
- ♦ **Internet Fraud and Scams**—Federal Trade Commission: www.ftc.gov/
- ♦ **Homicide Resources**—Parents of Murdered Children: <http://www.pomc.org/>
- ♦ **Homicide Resources**—Compassionate Friends: <http://www.compassionatefriends.org/home.aspx>
- ♦ **Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network:** <http://www.rainn.org/>
- ♦ **Sexual Assault Resources**—It Happened to Alexa Foundation: <http://www.ithappenedtoalexa.org/>
- ♦ **Terrorism Resources**—Federal Bureau of Investigation: http://www.fbi.gov/stats-services/victim_assistance/resources
- ♦ **International Terrorism Victim Expense Reimbursement Program:** <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/intdir/itverp/index.html>
- ♦ **Suicide Awareness Voice of Education (SAVE):** <http://www.save.org/>

Lawyers in the Guadalajara Consular District

The U.S. Consulate General in Guadalajara assumes no responsibility for the professional ability or integrity of the attorneys listed below. Names are arranged alphabetically and the order of listing has no other significance. Some reputable lawyers have chosen not to be included on this list; thus, no negative connotation can be drawn from the absence of a name from the list. Please note that not all employees of the firms listed below speak English. Non-Spanish speakers should ask for the listed attorney by name. Complaints regarding any of the attorneys listed below should be submitted to our office in writing.

Note: In Mexico the title *licenciado* (abbreviated Lic.) is used to indicate any professional person, not necessarily an attorney. All *licenciados* on this list are licensed to practice law. The terms *bufete* and *despacho* refer to a law office or firm of lawyers.

Guadalajara, Jalisco

BAKER & MCKENZIE ABOGADOS, S.C.

José Miguel Zozayacorrea Kuri
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Tel: (33) 38485306
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jose.zozayacorrea@bakermckenzie.com
Office Hours: 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Monday thru Friday
Areas of legal expertise and services:
Banking and Finance; Corporate; Environmental and Natural Resources; International Trade and Custom; Intellectual Property and Information Technology; Labor; Litigation; Mergers & Acquisitions; Notary and Commercial Brokerage; Real Estate and Infrastructure; Tax.

BRENNAN, VIDAURRI & ASOCIADOS, S.C.

John W. Brennan Winum
Office: Placeres No. 1220
Guadalajara, Jalisco 44520
Tel: (33) 3647 7522
Fax: (33) 3647 7523
Email: bva.sc@megared.net.mx; brennan.sr@megared.net.mx; brennan.jr@megared.net.mx
Office Hours: 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Monday thru Friday
Areas of legal expertise and services:
Business and Corporate law; Family and Civil Law; Mercantile Law; Contracts, International Private Law, Labor Law, Criminal Law; International Notifications.

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CENTRO CORPORATIVO JUDIRICO SOCIAL, S.C.

Javier Campos Ochoa
Office: La Paz No.2370
Guadalajara, Jalisco 44140
Tel: (33) 3615 5685; 3615 5687; 3615 7509
Fax: (33) 3615 5689
Email: jco@ccjs.com.mx
Office Hours: 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Monday thru Friday
Areas of legal expertise and services:
Corporative, Fiscal, Civil, Administrative, Labor, Mercantile, Penal, Real Estate and Notarial services.

CORONADO MEILLON Y ASOCIADOS, S.C.

Miguel Angel Coronado Meillon
Office: Nicolas Romero No. 289
Guadalajara, Jalisco
Tel: (33) 3826 1439; 3825 3827; 3825 1458
Fax: (33) 3826 1439
E-mail: coronadomeillonasyasociados@yahoo.com Office Hours: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday thru Friday.
Areas of legal expertise and services:
Civil Damages, Foreign Investments, Labor Relations, Patents/Trademarks/ Copyrights, Theft/Fraud/Embezzlement; Corporate Legalities, Business Litigation, Administrative Law.

DORANTES ARANDA Y ASOCIADOS – ASESORIA JURIDICA

Hector Dorantes Aranda, Hector Dorantes O’loughlin, Oscar Dorantes O’loughlin, Daniel García Godoy
Office: Alberta No.2288 4–B
Guadalajara, Jalisco 44660
Tel. (33) 3641 6041
Fax: (33) 3641 0216
Email: www.doranda.com.mx; doranda_daa@prodigy.net.mx; had@doranda.com.mx; jda@doranda.com.mx;
Office Hours: 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM & 4:00 PM to 7:30 PM, Monday thru Friday
Areas of legal expertise and services:
Legal Advisory, Civil, Family, Mercantile, Fiscal, Administrative, Labor, Appeals, Corporate, Immigration process, Trusts, Real Estate, Contracts.

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Doctors/Hospitals in the Guadalajara Consular District

The U.S. Consulate General in Guadalajara, assumes no responsibility for the professional ability or integrity of the doctors listed below. The American Citizen Services Office maintains this list of English speaking Physicians, Surgeons, and Dentists practicing in the Guadalajara Area to assist American citizens who require medical care in or near Guadalajara. This list is not intended to be a complete list of all competent doctors in the area. Neither the U.S. Government nor the Consulate General assumes responsibility for the satisfaction (or lack thereof) received from the medical practitioners on this list. Complaints regarding any of the doctors listed below should be submitted to our office in writing.

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| Hospital Santa Margarita Garibaldi 880 Guadalajara, Jalisco Tel: 3825-3305 / 3826-5630 / 3825-3072 | Hospital Santa Maria Chapalita Av. Niño Obrero 1666 Col. Chapalita 45040, Zapopan, Jal. Tel: 3678-1400 |
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| Hospital Miguel Hidalgo Galeana 465, Zona Centro Aguascalientes, Aguascalientes Tel: 01 (449) 994 6720 / (449) 915 8717 Emergencias: 24 hours | |
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| Hospital Manzanillo Blvd. Miguel de la Madrid 444 Tel. (314) 336-7272 & (314) 336-7273 Manzanillo, Colima | |
| COLIMA, COLIMA Centro Medico de Colima Maclovio Herrera 140, Colonia Centro, C.P. 28000 Tel. 01 (312) 312-4044 & (312) 314-4499 Emergencias: 24 hours | TEPIC, NAYARIT Sanatorio La Loma H. Colegio Militar 361 Sur Colconia Centro, CP 63000 Tel. 01 (311) 213-2013 Emergencias: 24 hours Tepic, Nayarit |
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