

The U.S. Embassy in Honduras proudly presents **The Citizen**: a quarterly newsletter for U.S. citizens living and traveling in Honduras. **We want to share what we can do for you.** You can also visit our website at honduras.usembassy.gov

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THE CITIZEN

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Know Your Expiration Date

Summer travel means longer wait-times for passport appointments.

Plan ahead, and keep an eye on your passport expiration date before you make travel arrangements.

You can really stay ahead of the curve by **renewing your passport even before it expires!**

Appointments Help Everyone

If renewing a child's passport, getting your own passport for the first time, or replacing a lost/stolen passport, please make an appointment so that we can provide you and others with the best possible customer service.

Only adults renewing a passport issued less than 15 years ago can do so without an appointment.

Let Us Know If You Can't Make It

If you have made a passport or Consular Report of Birth Abroad (CRBA) appointment, but won't be able to make it, please let us know!

Email us at usahonduras@state.gov, and notify us so that we can offer the slot to another U.S. citizen in need of our services. We're sure that they'll greatly appreciate it!

KNOW YOUR EXPIRATION DATE / Plan Ahead

The U.S. Embassy encourages all U.S. citizens traveling or living in Honduras to **plan ahead**, and be well aware of their passport's expiration date before they make any travel arrangements.

During the busy summer travel season, wait times for appointments have increased: the soonest regular passport appointment is **currently in early August**. Even after your appointment, it takes 13 business days to receive your full-validity passport.

Please **check your passport's expiration date today**, and make sure it will be valid well after your next planned trip. If you are in Honduras and need to renew your passport, please do so as soon as possible to avoid delays and possible changes in your travel plans: honduras.usembassy.gov/passports



Don't travel unless your passport will be valid during the entire length of your stay.

Finally, we remind all U.S. citizens that you **cannot travel back to the United States without a valid U.S. passport** under any circumstances.

Even if you are a dual citizen of Honduras or another country, you **can only enter the United States on your U.S. passport**, and not on any other passport.

Therefore, it is extremely important to have a U.S. passport that is valid for the entirety of your trip, and well after (in case you extend your stay for medical or other reasons).



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