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TRAVEL SAFETY BEST PRACTICES

Here are some tips to have a safe international trip.

1. **Research Destination Country and Culture**
   - U.S. Department of State country information and Travel Advisories
   - Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC) crime and safety reports
     - Open Source Intelligence from Private Sector Sources
2. **Research Health and Medical Conditions**
   - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Travelers' Health
3. **Check for Department of State Travel Warnings and Alerts**
4. **Buy Travel Medical and Evacuation Insurance**
5. **Register with the U.S. Embassy**
   - Enroll free in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP)
6. **Provide Itinerary and Contact Information**
   - Give your itinerary and contact information to family and office
   - Make copies of passport, visa, airline ticket, driver's license and credit cards
   - Leave 1 copy with family at home
   - Pack 1 copy separate from original documents
7. **Understand the Host Country Legal System**
   - You are subject to the laws of the country you are in
   - Those laws may be different and stricter
   - Embassy assistance cannot override local laws
8. **Practical Safety**
   - Get State Department safety alerts for your destination through STEP
   - Check road and traffic conditions
   - Know the safest mode of transportation
   - Avoid all demonstrations and large crowds
   - Know what you can eat and drink, and what you cannot
   - Follow travel warnings and alerts, and pay attention to new ones
9. **Contact the U.S. Embassy for Assistance** if you are:
   - The victim of a crime
   - Arrested
   - Missing your passport
10. **Have an Emergency Plan**
    - Know who to call (local, embassy and U.S.). See Who to Contact below.
    - Know what you will do

WHO TO CONTACT

Save these before you leave. Click a link or phone number, or type the address into your browser.

Organization	Website	Phone
U.S. Department of State: Travel Advisories and country information	travel.state.gov/en/international-travel/travel-advisories.html	
U.S. Department of State: emergencies abroad (24 hours)	travel.state.gov/en/international-travel/help-abroad.html	888-407-4747 from U.S./Canada +1 202-501-4444 from overseas
Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP)	mytravel.state.gov/s/step	
U.S. embassies and consulates	www.usembassy.gov	
Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC): open source intelligence from private sector sources	www.osac.gov	571-345-2223
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): Travelers' Health	wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel	800-232-4636
U.S. Department of State: travel insurance guidance	travel.state.gov/en/international-travel/planning/guidance/insurance.html	
Battle Tested Solutions: travel security planning	battletestedsolutions.com	650-235-5459

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