



# CROSSING THE U.S. BORDER IN 2025



In today's enhanced enforcement environment, having an immediate alert system when encounters go wrong can be the difference between quick resolution and extended detention. **Safely Arrived** ([safelyarrived.com](https://safelyarrived.com)) creates an automated safety net specifically designed for high-risk travel situations.



# BORDER CROSSING REVIEW

- Ensure your passport is valid for at least six months after your planned stay.
- If required, have your U.S. visa or ESTA ready and verify all personal information.
- For U.S. citizens and residents, bring acceptable identification as listed above.
- Use the CBP One app to schedule lawful entry appointments if applicable.
- Be prepared to undergo thorough immigration and customs screenings, including possible facial recognition technology if arriving by air.
- Understand your rights when interacting with border officials; honesty and cooperation help ensure smoother processing.
- Noncitizens crossing unlawfully between ports face high rejection risks, expedited removals, possible criminal charges, and long-term bans.
- Avoid carrying restricted or prohibited items, and be prepared to declare all goods.
- Keep digital devices charged and understand privacy considerations during inspection.

These points outline the current environment for crossing the U.S. border amid tighter ICE enforcement and stricter CBP screening protocols in 2025.

Travelers should prioritize lawful, pre-approved entry to avoid complications. Noncitizens should be aware of asylum ineligibility if entering unlawfully and understand the serious legal consequences of unauthorized crossings.

*This guide is based on current laws and procedures as of August 2025. Laws and enforcement practices can change. Consult with qualified immigration attorneys for specific legal advice about your situation.*

# THANK YOU



“One's destination is never a place but rather a new way of looking at things.” – Henry Miller

