

# U.S. BORDER CROSSING CHECKLIST 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.

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### BORDER CROSSING CHECKLIST

#### For U.S. Citizens

- [] Valid U.S. passport or passport card
- [ ] Enhanced Driver's License (if applicable)
- [] Trusted Traveler Program card (optional but recommended)
- [] Receipts for electronics (CBP Form 4457) if newly purchased
- [] Pet documentation (rabies certificate, health records)

#### For Non-U.S. Citizens

- [] Valid passport
- [] Correct visa type
- [] I-94 form (if required)
- [] FMM permit for Mexico entry
- [] Proof of accommodation and travel itinerary

#### **General Tips**

- [] Match all travel documents with your legal name
- [] Avoid carrying prohibited or restricted items
- [ ] Register with USCIS if staying over 30 days (Canadians)
- [] Use Trusted Traveler Programs to expedite processing
- [ ] Stay informed via CBP's official travel page

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#### **Accepted Documents**

- U.S. Citizens: Valid U.S. passport, passport card, Enhanced Driver's License, or Trusted Traveler Program card (e.g., NEXUS, SENTRI, Global Entry, FAST).
- Non-U.S. Citizens: Valid passport, appropriate visa, and possibly an I-94 Arrival/Departure Record.
- Canadian Citizens: Must register with USCIS if staying over 30 days.

#### **Mexico Entry Requirements**

- U.S. citizens do not need a visa for short visits but must carry a Forma Migratoria Múltiple (FMM) tourist permit for stays up to 180 days.
- FMM costs ~\$43 USD and can be filled out online or at entry points.

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## THANK YOU





"One's destination is never a place but rather a new way of looking at things." - Henry Miller

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