

Visa Guide for Tajikistan: Everything You Need to Know

Planning a vacation to **Tajikistan**? Understanding visa requirements is essential before you travel. Tajikistan offers **visa-free entry**, **e-visas**, and **limited visas on arrival** for different nationalities. This complete guide explains everything you need to know, including **GBAO permits** for visiting the Pamir Mountains.

1. Visa-Free Entry to Tajikistan

Tajikistan allows **visa-free travel for citizens of more than 60 countries**. If your country is eligible, you may enter without a visa and stay for **30 to 90 days**, depending on nationality.

Visa-Free Countries (30–90 Days Stay)

Unlimited Stay:

Russia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan

90 Days Stay:

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine

30 Days Stay:

European Union (Schengen countries), Australia, Canada, Japan, South Korea, UAE, and others

Important Notes

- Travel to the **Gorno-Badakhshan Autonomous Region (GBAO)** requires a separate permit, even for visa-free travelers.

2. Tajikistan e-Visa (For Travelers Who Need a Visa)

If your nationality is not eligible for visa-free entry, you can apply for a **Tajikistan e-Visa** online before arrival.

Tajikistan e-Visa Details

- **Official Website:** www.evisa.tj
- **Processing Time:** 1–3 business days
- **Validity:** 90 days (stay up to 60 days)
- **Entries:** Single or Multiple

How to Apply for a Tajikistan e-Visa

1. Visit the official e-Visa website.
2. Complete the online application form.
3. Upload a passport scan (valid for at least 6 months).

4. Pay the visa fee online.
5. Receive the approved e-Visa by email.
6. Print a copy and present it at immigration.

Tip

The e-Visa is valid for entry via **Dushanbe, Khujand, and Kulob International Airports**, and land borders with **Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, and China**.

3. Visa on Arrival (Limited Availability)

Visa on arrival is available **only at Dushanbe International Airport** for a limited number of nationalities.

Visa on Arrival Details

- Available for selected countries only
- Requires valid passport and supporting documents
- Processing time: up to 1 hour

Recommendation: Apply for an e-Visa in advance to avoid delays.

4. GBAO Permit – Required for the Pamir Mountains

A **GBAO permit** is mandatory if you plan to visit:

- Pamir Highway
- Wakhan Corridor
- Bartang Valley
- Khorog region

How to Get a GBAO Permit

Option 1: Apply with Your e-Visa (Visa Required Travelers)

- Select GBAO option during e-Visa application
- Permit is printed on the e-Visa

Option 2: Apply in Tajikistan (Visa-Free Travelers)

- **Where:** OVIR offices (Dushanbe or Khujand)
 - **Processing Time:** 1–3 business days
 - **Documents:** Passport copy & travel details
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5. OVIR Registration – Do You Need It?

Who Must Register with OVIR?

- Stay up to **10 working days (14 calendar days)** → No registration needed
- Stay longer than **10 working days** → OVIR registration required

Hotels **do not always register guests automatically**. Travelers staying in private homes or camping must register themselves.

OVIR Registration Details

- **Locations:** Dushanbe, Khujand, Khorog, major cities
- **Processing Time:** Same day to 3 business days
- **Cost:** USD 20–30

Documents Required:

- Passport
- Tajik visa or entry stamp
- Proof of accommodation (if applicable)

⚠ Failure to register may lead to fines or border issues.

6. Border Crossings & Visa Extensions

Land Border Crossings

Tajikistan shares borders with **Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, China, and Afghanistan**.

- Confirm your visa allows land entry
- Remote crossings (e.g., Kulma Pass) may require special permits

Visa Extensions

- Tourist e-Visas **cannot be extended**
 - Visa-free stays cannot exceed allowed duration
 - Business visas may be extended at OVIR in Dushanbe
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7. Tajikistan Travel Tips

- Always verify visa requirements before travel
- Print your **visa and GBAO permit**
- Carry cash for fees at borders
- Passport must be valid **at least 6 months** from entry date

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Type of Passport</u> | <u>Limitation</u> |
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| Australia | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Armenia | without a visa | up to 90 days |
| Azerbaijan | without a visa | up to 90 days |
| Argentine Republic | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Afghanistan | diplomatic | up to 30 days |
| Belarus | without a visa | â€‘ |
| Brunei Darussalam | for diplomatic and service passports | up to 14 days |
| Czech Republic | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Canada | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Dominican Republic | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| French Republic | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Federal Republic of Germany | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Greece | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Grand Duchy of Luxembourg | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Georgia | without a visa | â€‘ |
| Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Hellenic Republic | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Hungary | for diplomatic and service passports | up to 90 days |
| India | for diplomatic and service passports | up to 30 days |
| Italian Republic | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Iceland | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Jamaica | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Japan | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Kazakhstan | without a visa | â€‘ |
| Kyrgyzstan | without a visa | â€‘ |
| Kingdom of Belgium | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Kingdom of Saudi Arabia | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Kingdom of Bahrain | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Kingdom of Denmark | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Kingdom of Spain | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Kingdom of the Netherlands | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Kingdom of Norway | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Kingdom of Sweden | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Kingdom of Thailand | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Malaysia | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Moldova | without a visa | â€‘ |
| New Zealand | without a visa | up to 30 days |

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| North Korea | for diplomatic and service passports | “ |
| Pakistan | diplomatic | up to 90 days |
| Principality of Liechtenstein | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Portuguese Republic | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Principality of Monaco | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Romania | for diplomatic and service passports | up to 90 days |
| Russian Federation | without a visa | “ |
| Republic of China | service, diplomatic, and regular foreign passport for official use (with the stamp “Official”) | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Austria | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Indonesia | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Latvia | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Cuba | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Lithuania | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Maldives | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Poland | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Singapore | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of the Philippines | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Finland | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Croatia | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Chile | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Ecuador | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Republic of Estonia | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| State of Qatar | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Swiss Confederation | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| State of Kuwait | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| South Korea | for diplomatic and service passports | up to 30 days |
| Turkey | diplomatic; service; regular foreign passport | up to 90 days; up to 90 days; up to 30 days |
| Turkmenistan | diplomatic | up to 30 days |
| United Arab Emirates | diplomatic; service; regular foreign passport | up to 90 days; up to 90 days; up to 30 days |
| United States of America | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Uzbekistan | without a visa | up to 30 days |
| Ukraine | without a visa | up to 90 days |