

Guidelines For Indians visiting Bhutan as Tourists

1. Indian nationals visiting Bhutan do not require visa. However, they will be issued an entry permit. Indians coming as Tourists, the following documents are required for entry permit:

- A passport (with minimum six months validity) or voter ID card
- Children under 18 years of age require original birth certificate or passport and must be accompanied by a legal guardian.
- 02 Passport size photographs are required.
- Travel insurance valid for duration of the trip. There is also an option to purchase domestic travel insurance from Bhutanese insurance providers at the port of entry during arrival. Further details are available on Bhutan Insurance Limited website: https://www.bhutaninsurance.com.bt/index.php?page_id=112.

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2. Indian tourists can enter Bhutan either by planning their own trip or they can avail the services of local tour operators to process the travel documents & plan a trip [[list of tour operators, please visit \[www.bhutan.travel\]\(http://www.bhutan.travel\) and Department of Tourism website: <https://www.tourism.gov.bt/>](#)].

In case, Indian tourists plan their own trip, it is advised to make following arrangements: -

- Obtain entry permit online [to apply please visit 'visa section' on website www.bhutan.travel]
- Accommodation: It is mandatory to stay in Department of Tourism certified accommodation for the whole duration of the trip.
- A tour guide
- Travel insurance
- Transportation around the country.

3. India tourists are levied SDF of Nu./Rs. 1,200 per person per night. Children aged 5 years and below are exempted of SDF. However, children between the age of 6-12 years will be given 50 percent concession on SDF.

4. Use of own vehicle to visit Bhutan: Indian tourists can visit Bhutan in their own vehicles including two wheelers.

They will be facilitated upon payment of Nu 4500/- per day at port of entry upon verification and inspection of documents and vehicle. They further need to register on Check Post Management System (CPMS) [<https://1010.bt/epass/apply/>] of RBP to cross check points.

• **Documents required:**

- Original driving license,
- Original Registration Certificate (Vehicle Registration shall not be more than 10 years from date of registration),
- Vehicle insurance,
- Vehicle emission and road worthiness certificate
- Owner of the vehicle must be the same person. If driver and owner are different, an authority letter from owner to driver is required.

5. Requirement of vaccination: There are no covid 19 vaccination requirements for adults or children to enter Bhutan from September 23, 2022. However, it is advised to carry vaccination certificate. Individuals above 12 years may be randomly subjected to RT-PCR testing at points of entry. No fee shall be charged for the RT-PCR testing for surveillance.

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