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ENTRY DOCUMENTS

Travelers arriving in Egypt are required to have passports that will be valid for at least six months from the date of departure and contain at least two blank pages per country to be visited for affixing entry and exit stamps. It is strongly recommend that all travelers to Egypt apply for e-visas in advance, online at https://www.visa2egypt.gov.eg/
It is recommended you complete this at least 4 weeks before departure.

Visas can be acquired on arrival into Egypt. Entry visa fees are always payable in US dollars cash when purchased on arrival, and cost 25USD (subject to change without notice).

VACCINATIONS AND MEDICATION

No vaccinations or medications are currently *required* for entry to Egypt. All travelers to Egypt should consult a travel clinic at least 6 weeks before departure for advice as to the recommended medications and vaccinations based on their complete itinerary, personal health profile and the latest policies at their destinations.

TIPPING

Service staff in Egypt depend on tips as part of their livelihood, and the custom of tipping for all services is deeply entrenched; even the usher in a theater expects a tip. As a guideline, hotel porters get about \$1 per bag carried each way. City restaurant staff are tipped \$1 per person per meal. Bar waiters at 10% - 15% value of the beverages purchased. Airport transfer drivers at \$2 per person per transfer. Driver- guides are with you the most and should receive \$10 - \$15 per person per day. If you have both a driver and a guide, the driver should receive \$5 per person per day.

It is recommended to carry small dominations of cash for unexpected service tips.

MONEY

Egypt's national currency is the Egyptian Pound. Currency is readily available throughout the country at foreign exchanges and ATMs found in just about every major hotel and airport, and at banks. US dollars are widely accepted but will not get the most favorable exchange rate; Africa Answers recommends carrying Egyptian pound if you plan to shop at Egypt's wonderful markets.

Visa and Mastercard are widely accepted, American Express less so. Credit cards will usually attract a fee of 3-10%.

SAFETY AND SECURITY

During your journey, your driver-guide will offer instructions concerning safety. *Always* use the safe in your room to store cash, important documents and other valuables.

ELECTRICITY

220 volts is the electrical current used throughout Egypt. Power plugs and sockets are of type C and F. For detailed information, images and links to purchase adaptors, please consult https://www.power-plugs-sockets.com

POTABLE WATER

Africa Answers does not suggest drinking tap water, unless it has been boiled. Bottled water is provided by most hotels at a modest cost. Vehicles also carry drinking water for your refillable flask.

DRESS CODE

Egypt does not have a strict code of dress, however, unless you are at a beach resort, conservative dress is appropriate. Shorts and strapless tops are considered immodest and will attract attention if worn in cities.

BARTERING

Egyptians enjoy, and expect, to barter on prices. In stores and at markets.

