

INTERNATIONAL Toolkit

A planning reference guide to serve your international delegates in Washington, DC – from pre-arrival to on-site success. The Destination DC team is here to support you every step of the way.



PLANNING AND PREPARATION



VISA GUIDANCE

Familiarize yourself with the U.S. visa requirements.

[Visa Guide ▶](#)[Visa Waiver Program ▶](#)[Visa Fees ▶](#)[Visa Bond Pilot Program ▶](#)

TAXES IN THE STATES

Understanding U.S. and local Washington, DC taxes.

[Taxes Info ▶](#)

FOR INTERNATIONAL VISITORS

Prepare for your visit to the U.S. with confidence.

[Visitor Info ▶](#)

VISA LETTER TEMPLATE

A ready-to-use template to support attendees's visa applications.

[Letter Template ▶](#)

CUSTOMS AND SHIPPING ESSENTIALS

Understand customs for shipping event materials.

[Shipping ▶](#)[Customs Duty ▶](#)

CURRENCY CONVERTER

Estimate expenses easily with this currency converter.

[Converter ▶](#)

TRAVEL AND ARRIVAL



WASHINGTON, DC SAFETY INFORMATION

Helpful safety tips for your visit.

[Travel Safety ▶](#)



U.S. ENTRY GUIDE

What you need to know for U.S. Border Entry.

[US Entry Guide ▶](#)



PLAN YOUR TRIP WITH PUBLIC TRANSIT

Map your Metro and bus routes with WMATA's Trip Planner.

[DC Transit ▶](#)



DON'T PACK LIST

Leave these items at home when packing for your next trip.

[Leave it ▶](#)



ELECTRONIC SYSTEM FOR TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

Eligible travelers can apply for U.S. entry through ESTA.

[FAQ ▶](#)



TRUSTED TRAVELER PROGRAMS

Pre enrolling in a Trusted Travelers Program can make your travel more seamless

[Travel Program ▶](#)

Information in this toolkit is for general guidance only. U.S. entry rules change frequently. Delegates must confirm requirements on official U.S. government websites before travel.



EMERGENCY CONTACTS WHILE IN DC



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