

Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)

Once you have submitted the ETA application, the system will generate **an application reference number which should be submitted using [this form](#)** to enable the host country to fast track your ETA approval.

Please note you will need:

1. Passport upload

Use your national passport and not your UNLP as the system requires information on nationality. You can attach your UNLP as additional document at the end of the process

2. Supporting documents to upload

The "Mission letter" can be the Registration Event Pass with approval QR code or the invitation letter.

It is highly recommended that travelers apply as soon as they have booked their accommodation and transport tickets.

How to apply for a courtesy (Gratis) Electronic Travel Authorization to Kenya

1. Log into <https://etakenya.go.ke/> and give consent under the terms and conditions of the ETA.

Screen 1: Start your trip to Kenya

a. Select Diplomat

b. Find out if your country is among those that are exempt from eTA- if it's among those that are exempt then you can travel to Kenya and be allowed into the country.

2. Screen 2: How to Apply

Read and proceed

3. Screen 3: Declaration of Consent

Read and agree

4. Screen 4: Country of Residence-select your respective country

5. Screen 5:

a. Select Type- whether this is an individual application or a Group application- Select whether this is an individual application or a Group application

b. If the delegate is travelling alone, he/she should select the individual application and if they are travelling as a country delegation and share the same travel itinerary, select the group application.

6. Screen 6: Upload your passport page. Here the system will use artificial intelligence to populate the delegates bio data as it appears on their passport. Confirm the details if they are correct and proceed to the next page

7. Screen 7: Upload your photo either by selecting the webcam to take your photo or upload a photo that has been saved on your device (ensure that it is a current photo (6 months current) and on a clear back ground)

8. Screen 8

- a. Fill in your correct contact information and email address (ensure that you use the email address that you have access to since a one time passcode-OTP shall be sent to it. You shall input that OTP so as to verify the contact email.
- b. Fill in the physical address and emergency contact information
- c. Fill in the occupation
- d. Fill in the emergency contact and phone number

9. Screen 9

- a. Select your purpose of visit as conference/ meetings/seminars/training
- b. Select the airline, airport, country of origin and dates of travel (both arrival and departure)
- c. Indicate the physical place and dates of where you will be staying during your visit to Kenya

10. Screen 10: Travel information page. Select the appropriate slots

11. Screen 11: This is the customs declaration page

12. Screen 12: Upload the requisite documents in the relevant slots provided

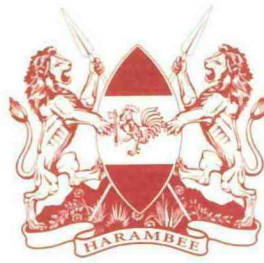
- 1. Accommodation booking
- 2. Airline ticket booking
- 3. Mission letter/ accreditation letter

13. Screen 13: Confirmation Page-Confirm all information provided.

Final Step.

Once this is done it shall generate an application reference number. Login to https://indico.un.org/e/ETA_UNEA7 and submit your reference Number. This will enable the host country to fast track your ETA approval.

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The Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs of the Republic of Kenya presents its compliments to All Diplomatic Missions and International Organizations accredited to the Republic of Kenya and has the honour to refer to the special issue of the Kenya Gazette Supplement No. 75 of 30.05.2025 regarding Electronic Travel Authorization (ETA) system.

The Ministry wishes to inform that the newly gazetted changes took effect on 1st July 2025. (A copy of the Gazette Notice is attached for your reference).

The Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs of the Republic of Kenya avails itself of this opportunity to renew to All Diplomatic Missions and International Organizations accredited to the Republic of Kenya the assurances of its highest consideration.

Nairobi, 11th July, 2025

**All Diplomatic Missions and
International Organizations accredited to Kenya**



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LEGAL NOTICE NO. 93

THE KENYA CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION ACT

(Cap. 170)

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 59 of the Kenya Citizenship and Immigration Act, the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration makes the following Regulations—

**THE KENYA CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION
(AMENDMENT) RULES, 2025**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Kenya Citizenship and Immigration (Amendment) Regulations, 2025.

2. The The Kenya Citizenship and Immigration Regulations (hereinafter referred to as the “principal Regulations” are amended by inserting the following new regulation immediately after regulation 15F

Sub. Leg.

Persons exempted
from eTA.

15G. The category of persons set out in the Seventeenth Schedule are exempted from the requirement of obtaining eTA before travelling into the country.

3. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting the following new Schedule immediately after the Sixteenth Schedule—

SEVENTEETH SCHEDULE (r.15G)

PERSONS EXEMPTED FROM OBTAINING eTA

1. Holders of Kenya Permanent Residence, valid Work Permits and Passes.
2. All persons whose passports are endorsed with valid Kenya re-entry passes or any other written authority *in lieu* of a re-entry pass.
3. Citizens of the East African Partner States: These countries include Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda for a period not exceeding 180 days.
4. Nationals of the following Countries for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days—

Barbados, Belize, Botswana, Brunei, Cyprus, Dominica, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji Island, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Kiribati, Lesotho, Malaysia, Maldives, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, Papua New Guinea,

- Union of Comoros, Samoa, San Marino, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, St. Kitts and Navis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Swaziland, Seychelles, The Bahamas, The Gambia, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, The Republic of Congo (Brazaville), Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Zambia, Zimbabwe.
5. Nationals of the following African countries for a period not exceeding sixty (60) days—

Algeria, Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Cote d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Liberia, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Nigeria, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sudan, Togo and Tunisia,
 6. All passengers in transit through Kenya arriving and leaving by the same aircraft or transferring to another aircraft and who do not leave the precincts of Airports in Kenya.
 7. All passengers arriving and leaving by the same ship, and who do not leave the ship.
 8. Members of crew of any ship, aircraft, train, vehicle or carrier; whose name and particulars are included in the crew manifest of the ship, aircraft or carrier; and who is proceeding in such ship, aircraft or carrier to a destination outside Kenya.
 9. Owners of private aircraft stopping over for refueling in Kenya and who do not leave the precincts of the airport.
 10. Holders of United Nations Organization Laissez-Passers whilst on official UN Business.
 11. Holders of African Union Laissez-Passers whilst on official A.U. business.
 12. Holders of African Development Bank Laissez-Passers, whilst on official A.D.B. business.
 13. Holders of Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa Laissez-Passers, whilst on official BADEA business.
 14. Holders of International Red Locust Control Organization for Central and Southern Africa Laissez-Passers, whilst on official I.R.L.C.O. business.
 15. Holders of Desert Locust Control Organization Laissez-Passers, whilst on official D.L.C.O. business.
 16. Holders of COMESA Laissez-Passers, whilst on official COMESA business.
 17. Holders of International Monetary Fund and World Bank Laissez – Passers whilst on official IMF/World Bank Business.
 18. Holders of Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) Laissez- Passers whilst on official IGAD business.
 19. Holders of African Airlines Travel Association (IATA) Laissez-Passers whilst on official business.

20. Holders of Environment Liaison Centre International (ELCI) Laissez-Passers whilst on official ELCI business.
21. Holders of Union of Radio, Television Network of Africa (URTNA) Laissez- Passers whilst on official URTNA business.
22. Holders of International Labour Organization (ILO) Laissez – Passers whilst on official ILO business.
23. Holders of Preferential Trade Area/Common Market of East & Southern African Bank Laissez – Passers whilst on official PTA/COMESA business.
24. Holders of European Union Laissez – Passers whilst on official European Union business.
25. Holders of CIP (International Potato Centre) Laissez – Passers whilst on official CIP business.
26. Holders of African Reinsurance Corporation (ARC) Laissez – Passers whilst on official ARC business.
27. Holders of African Housing Fund (AHF) Laissez – Passers whilst on official AHF business.
28. Holders of African Export – Import Bank (Afreximbank) Laissez – Passers whilst on official Afreximbank business.
29. Holders of Diplomatic and Service Passports from The Islamic Republic of Iran for a period not exceeding (30) Days stay.
30. Holders of Diplomatic, Official, Special, and Service Passports, from The Republic of Turkey and members of their families holding valid Diplomatic, Official, Special, and Service Passports, while on Transit or Stay not exceeding ninety (90) days.
31. Holders of Diplomatic, Official or Service Passports from the Federal Republic of Brazil for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days.
32. Holders of Diplomatic, Official or Service Passports from the Republic of India for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days.
33. Holders of Diplomatic, Official or Service Passports from the People's Republic of China for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days.
34. Serving Members of the British Military.

Made on the 30th May, 2025.

KIPCHUMBA MURKOMEN,
*Cabinet Secretary for
Interior and National Administration.*