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Immigration

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Mexico – Visa Required for Peruvian Nationals as of 20 April 2024

Mexico's Ministry of Foreign Relations has announced that Peruvian nationals who intend to enter Mexico as visitors must apply for the Visitor Visa, regardless of the length of the stay in the country. The need for a visa will come into effect as from 20 April 2024.

The agreement that determines the temporary application of Visitor Visas for individuals with Peruvian passports was published in Mexico's official gazette (*Diario Oficial de la Federacion*) on 5 April 2024.¹

The reason for this change has to do with the increase of Peruvian nationals coming to Mexico for a different purpose than the one allowed as a visitor for business or tourism purposes.

WHY THIS MATTERS

This represents a significant policy change. For Peruvian nationals with plans to come to Mexico for tourism purposes, new steps will need to be followed to be compliant with the new procedures.

Individuals with a Peruvian passport who intend to come or return to Mexico as visitors as of 20 April, shall be allowed to enter Mexican territory as long as they are in possession of the proper Visitor Visa.

Note this agreement does not apply to individuals with Peruvian passports who:

- have a valid Mexican work permit;
- hold a valid visa with multiple entries from Canada, USA, Japan, United Kingdom, or any of the countries that are part of the Schengen Area;
- hold a Permanent Resident status, for immigration purposes, in Canada, USA, United Kingdom, or any of the countries that are part of the Schengen Area, as well as countries that are members of the Pacific Alliance (Colombia and Chile).

Special Considerations

If a holder of a Peruvian passport booked an airplane ticket before 6 April 2024, and the travel will take place after 20 April 2024, he or she can contact the Mexican Embassy for a priority appointment.

KPMG INSIGHTS

The situation does not allow much time to consider what the new rules mean for travel by Peruvian nationals who have already made plans to travel to Mexico and to take the steps necessary to be in compliance. They may wish to consult with their travel agents and/or their immigration counsel or a member of the KPMG Immigration team in Mexico (see the Contacts section).

FOOTNOTE:

1 *Relaciones Exteriores, Visas, Información Importante* at:

<https://embamex.sre.gob.mx/peru/index.php/sconsulares/visas> .

ACUERDO por el que se da a conocer la aplicación temporal de la visa de visitante sin permiso para realizar actividades remuneradas en pasaportes ordinarios de las personas nacionales de la República del Perú in Diario Oficial de la Federación at:

https://www.dof.gob.mx/nota_detalle.php?codigo=5722445&fecha=05/04/2024#gsc.tab=0 .

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