Departure Tax – EXIT TAX

In Colombia, the EXIT tax must be paid by travelers on all international departures, visitors, Colombian citizens and foreign residents in Colombia; foreign tourists visiting or in transit when their stay exceeds 60 days in Colombia.

Exit tax fee

Foreigners not living in Colombia that have not a stay of over 60 days, they can apply for an exit tax exemption in the Aerocivil modules at Colombian international airports. The foreigner will present the passport that will be in turn stamped, and the payment voucher submitted when chek-in at the airline counter. If a foreign citizen is staying in Colombia for more than 60 days, an amount of US38 or $68,000 COP must be paid at airline counter check-in.

When the departure tax is being charged on the ticket and you are eligible for exit tax fee exemption, you must apply for reimbursement with the airline.

Persons exempted from paying airport tax Colombian nationals who:

- Are employees or officials in central government service or the decentralized sector traveling on official business, on presentation of government authorization.
- Study abroad with grants or loans from the Colombian Institute of Educational Credit and technical studies abroad and students who travel under the auspices of universities recognized by the Ministry of Education.
- Are officials and workers of international land, sea and air transport who travel abroad on official business, when the company accredits the service of international transport and the official or worker, who should present to the civil aviation authority the certification of the head of personnel of the company specifying the position held and purpose of the trip.
- Are residents of the archipelago of San Andrés and Old Providence when they travel to a Central American country for a maximum of ten days.
- Are official sports delegations accredited by the Colombian government.
- Are visiting residents abroad or who are in transit in Colombia when their stay in the country does not exceed 180 days.
- Travel on a diplomatic passport.
- Are children under age.
- Are the regular crews of ships and aircraft of Colombian maritime and air transport companies.

Foreign tourists who travel to Colombia:

- Visiting Colombia or in transit, when their stay in the country does not exceed sixty days.
- Passengers in transit.
- Those who transit within international border areas legally defined as such, when they comply with customs regulations.
- Diplomatic bags and musical instruments that occupy aircraft seats.

More on airport taxes

For further information regarding the departure tax, see Billing Group Office of Aeronáutica Civil

- Website of the AEROCIVIL www.aerocivil.gov.co
- Website of the DIAN www.dian.gov.co

Outgoing specialized merchandise and articles

For outgoing merchandise there is a maximum limit that is subject to periodic changes. You can take with you articles such as video cameras, equipment for professional use and other valuable merchandise that the traveler will use abroad.

To return with them, duty-free, you must show them at the Airport Customs Office and fill out the Declaration of Temporary Export of such articles.

Protected wildlife species Colombian law prohibits and punishes the extraction, transport, trading and export of all species of wildlife, alive or dead.Archeological or historical patrimony Colombian law prohibits and sanctions the trading and export of original pieces of national cultural patrimony. Avoid purchasing them. If you are interested in taking back examples of pre-Hispanic or Spanish Colonial art, you can acquire replicas of them.