

The US/Mexican Border Crossing at Mariposa is open from 6:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. daily
The Downtown Nogales Border Crossing Is open 24 hours
21 km CHECKPOINT CROSSING INFORMATION
"Checkpoint Charlie"
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About 13 miles south of Nogales, you will come to "Checkpoint Charlie". This is a required stop. It is at this point that you can obtain the sticker for your vehicle and your own personal "Visa". Pull into the parking lot PRIOR to the required stop. Prior to obtaining your vehicle sticker, they will require seeing your personal Visa first.

PERSONAL VISAS

Go to the small building (Imagracion), Each person in the vehicle, age 2 and above, must prove citizenship to obtain their visa and any of the following will work:

Passport
Driver's License and Voter Registration Card
Birth Certificate
Notarized Affidavit of Citizenship

If you will be staying in Mexico for 72 hours (3 days) or less, you will receive a Temporary Visa.

If you will be staying In Mexico over 72 hours, or making multiple entries over the next 6 months, you will receive a Visitor Caret (Forma Migratoria). During your stay In Mexico, you must visit any branch of any bank operating in Mexico and pay your fee of 150 pesos; (\$15.00 U.S.) per person. The bank will stamp your Visitor Card "Fee Paid", Keep your stamped Visitor Card with you at all times as it will be subject to verification by Inspectors. You will surrender your Visa at Checkpoint Charlie upon expiration, or your final exit out of the country.

STICKERS FOR YOUR CAR

SONORA ONLY Is for traveling in the State of Sonora only. Take the documents listed below and your Temporary Visa or your Visitor Card and go in to the SONORA ONLY Building. They will issue you a sticker for your car. There is no charge for this permit. It is valid for that trip ONLY and must be returned at this same "Checkpoint Charlie" when you leave the country.

For the ONLY SONORA car permit, you will need the following documents:

1. Original registration, bill of sale, or title
2. Authorization letter from lien holder (if this pertains)
3. Authorization letter from lease-company (if this pertains)
4. Authorization letter from corporation (If company employee Is driving the vehicle; letter must be on company letter head and charge card must In the name of the authorized employee or the corporation itself)
5. Authorization letter from vehicle owner (if immediate family member is taking car without owner being present)
No other person may "borrow" the vehicle except those listed above.

VEHICLE PERMIT

All vehicles entering Mexico that will not be using SONORA ONLY will need to purchase a vehicle permit at Checkpoint Charlie. This must be paid for on a Visa, MasterCard or American Express card only. NO CASH. The credit card MUST be in the same name as the owner of the vehicle or in the name of the authorized family member. To obtain the car permit you will need:

1. Personal Visa or Visitor Card
2. Original registration, bill of sale, or title
3. Authorization letter from lien holder (If this pertains)
4. Authorization letter from lease-company (If this pertains)
5. Authorization letter from corporation (If company-employee is driving the vehicle; letter must be on company letterhead and charge card must be In the name of the authorized employee or the corporation itself)

This slicker Is valid for 100 days and must be returned to this same checkpoint where it was obtained, prior to expiration. The charge on your credit card will be approximately \$15.00 U.S.

Note: If you do not have the Visa, MasterCard or American Express card, a bond may be purchased from a Mexican Bonding Company. (Many are set up at the border) The company will retain 2% of the low blue book value of the vehicle (which is non-refundable). Additionally you must also LEAVE the low blue book dollar amount In cash with the bank. This is REFUNDABLE upon exiting the country.