



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
45TH SPACE WING (AFSPC)

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MEMORANDUM FOR SPACE-A TRAVEL TO ASCENSION ISLAND

FROM: 45 Operations Group, Detachment 2 Commander
Ascension Auxiliary Airfield
Ascension Island, South Atlantic Ocean

SUBJECT: Space-A Travel Policy to Ascension Island

1. Space-A travel to Ascension Island is authorized on a case-by-case basis only with Detachment 2 Commander and Ascension Island Government (AIG) approval. Approval will be granted via letter to the Space-A requestor(s) and no less than 28 days prior to departure, travelers must apply for an AIG entry permit. Application information can be found on the following website: <http://www.ascension-island.gov.ac/information>.
2. Per the Bahamas Agreement, Article IV, Provision of Sites, "Access to the Sites shall not be permitted to persons not officially connected with the Long Range Proving Ground (known today as the 45 SW and CCAFS Eastern Range) except with the consent of the senior British representative posted to the Long Range Proving ground and the senior member of the United States Armed Forces detailed to the said Proving Ground." Therefore, Space-A travelers may only travel to Ascension Auxiliary Airfield with previous authorization. Space-A travelers are authorized use of U.S. base lodging and dining facilities, however they have the lowest priority for lodging and can be bumped at any time for mission requirements.
3. Those traveling Space-A must show proof of health insurance prior to arrival to cover your stay including the possibility of air evacuation, which can be very expensive due to the lack of military facilities on Ascension Auxiliary Airfield.
4. Upon arrival to or departure from Ascension Island, base personnel will transport Space-A travelers between the Flight Security U.S. Air Terminal and the airfield. It is the responsibility of the Space-A traveler to make his/her own arrangements for pick-up/drop-off at these locations. Transportation and rental cars may be arranged through the Obsidian Hotel in Georgetown:
E-mail: accommodation@cwimail.co.ac
Website: www.obsidian.co.ac
Phone: 011-247-6246
5. There are only a few restaurant establishments and one grocery store available, all within walking distance from the Obsidian Hotel.

6. Upon pickup from the U.S. base, non-exempt Space-A travelers will be taken to the Constable's office to have their passport stamped, process through immigration and, if payment was not made in advance, pay the entry fee of 15 to 30-pounds per person depending on the condition of entry (See Attachment 1). Please verify exchange rates against the St. Helenian Pound prior to your arrival.
7. On-base facilities accept cash only, checks may be cashed with the base commander or stations manager's approval. Checks and credit cards (Visa and Master Card) are accepted only at the Obsidian Hotel. There are no automatic teller machines available. Travelers must ensure they have enough cash to pay for all necessary expenses.
8. Weapons of any kind (knives, guns, mace, pepper spray, etc.), pornography and pets are strictly forbidden by the island government.
9. While staying on Ascension, all Space A travelers will be required to abide by the local laws of Ascension, which fall under the jurisdiction of the local police. Failure to do so could result in arrest and/or immediate removal from the island.
10. Please address any questions/concerns to me at DSN 854-1110, Ascension extension 2200 or commercial at 321-494-1110, Ascension extension 2200. This policy letter supersedes previous letters on same subject.



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Commander

cc: Mr. Kerry Moore, CSR Station Manager
Mr. Colin Wells, Ascension Island Administrator
Wg Cdr Mark Taylor, Commander Ascension Island Base

Attachment 1: AIG Entry Permit Application Guide



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