



VEHICLE PERMITS FOR TOURISTS

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As a tourist, you have the right to bring in a vehicle free of duty. Upon arrival at the Guatemalan border with your car, you must present the following:

1. Car title
2. Other car documents (i.e. registration)
3. Your passport
4. Your driver's license

The customs agent will inspect your car, your documents and prepare an entry permit form "R.P. 131" You will receive a sticker for the windshield which costs Q34.00 and is valid for 30 days. The customs agent will place a stamp in your passport which notes the make, model, chassis number, motor number and license plate number of your vehicle.

PERMIT EXTENSIONS

Tourists entering Guatemala by vehicle are only issued one vehicle permit with a 30-day validity period and no possibility of extension. Tourists either have to drive across the border and reenter 24 hours later with a new permit or leave the country entirely. If the permit has expired don't drive your car; if stopped, the police will confiscate your car.

If you enter Guatemala with a vehicle you have four options relating to your departure:

- Depart with the vehicle
- Transfer the vehicle to someone else's passport
- Sell the vehicle and have it removed from your passport
- Store the vehicle in a Guatemalan Customs lot for a daily fee

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