





AUTONOMOUS IMMIGRATION FILTERS



The term refers to the technology used to carry out immigration control in a self-service modality at some of Mexico's international airports. This technology is currently available at Terminals 1 and 2 of Mexico City International Airport, Terminals 3 and 4 of Cancún International Airport in Quintana Roo, and Terminal 2 of San José del Cabo International Airport.

Terminal A of Guadalajara International Airport, Terminal 1 of Puerto Vallarta International Airport in Jalisco, Terminal 1 of Querétaro Intercontinental Airport, and Terminal 1 of Tijuana International Airport in Baja California. Their location can be easily identified by the signage displayed in these terminals, as well as by their distinctive glass exterior finish.

The purpose of the Autonomous Immigration Filters (AIF) is to allow passengers to complete their immigration entry process personally, in an orderly, simple, agile, and secure manner.

Requirements to use the AIF:

- 1. Hold a valid ordinary electronic passport.
- 2. Be over 18 years of age.
- 3. Enter Mexico exclusively for tourism purposes.
- **4.** Not be traveling with minors.
- **5.** Have an ordinary electronic passport with a validity of more than 180 days.
- **6.** Hold an ordinary electronic passport from one of the following countries:

America	Europe		Middle East	A.	Asia	Oceania
México Canada United States of América	Germany Austria Belgium Bulgaria United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Czech Republic Denmark Slovakia Spain Finland France Hungary	Ireland Iceland Italy Latvia Luxembourg Netherlands Norway Poland Romania Sweden Switzerland	Israel	Repub	Japan olic of Korea	Australia







NOTE: Individuals holding a student visa, work visa, family reunification visa, humanitarian visa, ministerial visa, temporary or permanent Mexican residence, or those carrying a non-ordinary passport (diplomatic, official, service, special, or consular), crew members, or anyone engaging in activities other than tourism will not be able to use the AIF.

What Are Autonomous Immigration Filters?

It is a support system for airport immigration control in a self-service modality. Its objective is to enable passengers who meet the requirements for entry into the national territory to complete their immigration process quickly, orderly, securely, and in alignment with the Federal Government's anti-corruption policy. It allows Mexican citizens and passengers from 29 nationalities to enter Mexico.

The use of Autonomous Immigration Filters (AIF) is free of charge and does not require prior registration or any membership fee. Likewise, the system complies with security standards and maintains high levels of data and personal information protection. Passengers who use this technology experience significantly shorter waiting times.

What is the entry process like when using the Autonomous Immigration Filter (AIF)?

- **1.** The passenger must locate the designated line and have only their passport in hand.
- **2.** Open the passport to the page containing the photograph and personal information
- **3.** Place the passport on the scanner and wait for the gates to open.
- **4.** Enter the booth; inside, a photograph will be taken to perform facial verification of the passenger.
- **5.** A series of validations will be carried out on the passenger's biographic, biometric, and flight information.
- **6.** Finally, once the passenger has completed the process, a ticket will be issued containing a QR code and a digital stamp.









The passengermust scan the QR code on the ticket and downloadthe Digital Multiple Immigration Form (FMM). This process can be completed at any other location during the duration of their stay in Mexico.

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All electronic passports have a symbol on the lower middle part of the cover that identifies them as electronic passports:





Who Can Use the AIF?

To use this technology, the passenger must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- **1.** Hold a valid ordinary electronic passport.
- 2. Be over 18 years of age.







- 3. Enter Mexico for tourism purposes only. (Individuals holding a student visa, work visa, family reunification visa, humanitarian visa, ministerial visa, temporary or permanent Mexican residence, or those carrying any non-ordinary passport or travel document diplomatic, official, service, special, or consular as well as crew members or anyone engaging in activities other than tourism, cannot use the AIF.)
- **4.** Not be traveling with minors.
- 5. Have an ordinary electronic passport with a validity of more than 180 days issued by one of the following countries: Mexico, Germany, Austria, Australia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Denmark, Slovakia, Spain, United States of America, Finland, France, Hungary, Ireland, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Romania, Republic of Korea, Czech Republic, Sweden, and Switzerland.

I am Mexican and want an electronic passport — how can I obtain it?

The chip cannot be obtained separately, as it is integrated into the passport. If you are Mexican, you must schedule an appointment through the official website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (SRE), as it is the only authority authorized to issue this document. Alternatively, you can do so at the passport issuance office in your locality.

For more information, visit the official SRE website: https://citas.sre.gob.mx/

Do international travelers still need to obtain the Multiple Immigration Form (FMM)?

Yes, foreign visitors must scan the QR code on the ticket, download their Digital Multiple Immigration Form (FMM), and have it available when departing from Mexico.

What is the required passport validity to use an AIF?

Your passport must have a minimum validity of 180 days, which can be verified on the passport's expiration date.









Can all people entering Mexico through these airports use the AIF?

No, only those traveling for tourism purposes and who meet the required eligibility criteria can use the AIF.

Is it mandatory to scan the QR code printed on the ticket?

Yes, because this process is how you obtain the Digital Multiple Immigration Form (FMM), which contains all the information about your entry into Mexico. Keep in mind that it may be required when leaving the country.

Why should I keep the ticket?

The ticket contains unique and personal information about your entry into Mexican territory through an Autonomous Immigration Filter and may be required when leaving the country.

Why can minors NOT use these devices?

For the safety and protection of minors, as well as due to the potential difficulty they may have interacting with the device.

At which airports are the AIF devices installed?

- Mexico City International Airport (AICM)
 - Terminal 1
 - Terminal 2
- Cancún International Airport, Quintana Roo (AICUN)
 - Terminal 3
 - Terminal 4
- San José del Cabo International Airport, Baja California Sur (AISJD)
 - Terminal 2
- Guadalajara International Airport, Jalisco (AIGDL)
 - Terminal A
- Puerto Vallarta International Airport, Jalisco (AIPVR)
 Terminal 1







- Querétaro Intercontinental Airport, Querétaro (AIQ)
 Terminal1
- Tijuana International Airport, Baja California (AIJ)
 Terminal 1

¿What languages are available in the Autonomous Immigration Filters? Spanish and English.

For further reference, please visit the following links:

- 1. https://www.gob.mx/inm/documentos/que-son-los-filtros-migratorios-autonomos
- **2.** https://www.gob.mx/inm/es/articulos/conoces-los-filtros-autonomos-del-instituto-nacional-de-migracion-inm

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