Flying in & out of Mexico

Overview of eAPIS & International ADIZ Procedures

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Why Fly to Mexico

It's Not so Tough

- Most officials speak English
- Rules mostly the same
- Normal behavior works
- Friendly and accommodating people
- Proper flight planning required
  - Gas availability
  - Runway surface and condition
  - Weather
  - Emergency equipment and planning
  - Mountain & desert flying
  - Water crossings

Will I lose my Plane in Mexico?

- Most likely not.
  - Planes get stolen and confiscated in every country.
- Military guard at most airports
- Prop or throttle lock handy at remote airports
- Don't carry guns or drugs (duh!)
  - Best way to loose your aircraft.
- 406 MHz ELT now MANDATORY
- Don't overstay your visa (Dec 31 cutoff for multiple entry permit)

Organize Required Documentation

- ✓ **Use a binder for these and your eAPIS & flightplan documents**
  - ✓ **Keep them organized in the order you need them - Have 2 copies of each**
- ✓ **eAPIS registration**
  - ✓ **https://eAPIS.cbp.dhs.gov/** **for SenderID and** **www.eAPISFile.com** (SoCal, Sams, Liga, PBS websites)
- ✓ **Pilot's Certificate**
  - ✓ Not Valid for Student or Sport Pilots
- ✓ **Medical Certificate**
  - ✓ Basic Medical now OK in Bahamas and Mexico as of 12/2019
- ✓ **Registration & Airworthiness Certificate**
  - ✓ No Temp Registration
- ✓ **Notarized letter**
  - ✓ from the registered owner giving you permission to take the plane into Mexico if you are not the person shown on the registration. (Corporation or LLC.)
- ✓ **Notarized letter for Minors from BOTH Parents**
  - ✓ giving you permission to take a Minor into Mexico – Needs BOTH Parents – even if you are one of them.
- ✓ **US Insurance showing Coverage in Mexico or Mexico Insurance policy**
- ✓ **U.S. Customs Decal**
  - ✓ **$29.96 Purchase via website https://dtops.cbp.dhs.gov/ or at Customs Office**
- ✓ **Passports**
  - ✓ **Crew & Pax - Should have a minimum of 90 days until it expires**
- ✓ **Large 'N' Numbers - Required for US Return**
  - ✓ **12"** Temporary OK
- ✓ **Mode – C or S or ADS-B Transponder**

eAPIS Registration

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Electronic Advance Passenger Information System
CUSTOMS & BORDER PROTECTION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

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Electronic Advanced Passenger Information System (eAPIS)
from Customs and Border Protection (CBP)
Part of the US Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
eAPIS is an online customs reporting tool for private aircraft flying in and out of the USA

Question about the CBP/DHS eAPIS Website?
Email: Private.AIRCRAFT.SUPPORT@dhs.gov   Phone: (972) 973-9844

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- To educate pilots on the USA and MEXICO eAPIS process

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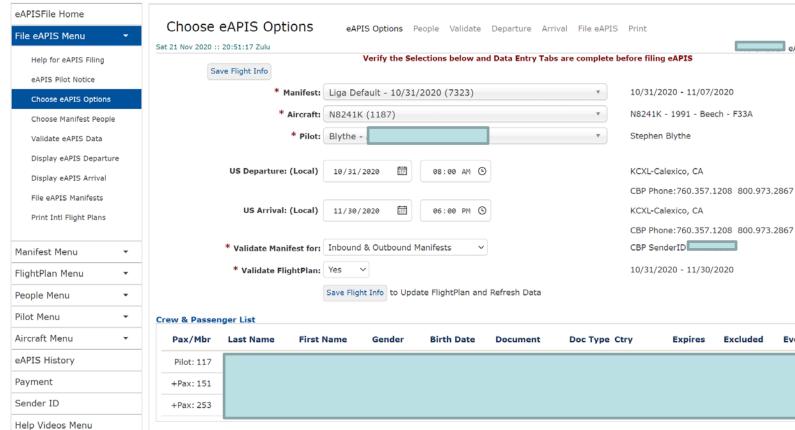AOPA Flying into Alaska
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Verify the Selections below and Data Entry Tabs are complete before filing eAPIS

[Save Flight Info]   [Save Flight Info]

* **Manifest:** Liga Default - 10/31/2020 (7323) ▼   10/31/2020 - 11/07/2020

* **Aircraft:** N8241K (1187) ▼   N8241K - 1991 - Beech - F33A

* **Pilot:** Blythe - ▼   Stephen Blythe

US Departure: (Local) 10/31/2020 🗓 08:00 AM 🕐   KCXL-Calexico, CA

CBP Phone:760.357.1208 800.973.2867

US Arrival: (Local) 11/30/2020 🗓 06:00 PM 🕐   KCXL-Calexico, CA

CBP Phone:760.357.1208 800.973.2867

* **Validate Manifest for:** Inbound & Outbound Manifests ▼   CBP SenderID

* **Validate FlightPlan:** Yes ▼   10/31/2020 - 11/30/2020

[Save Flight Info] to Update FlightPlan and Refresh Data

Crew & Passenger List

Pax/Mbr	Last Name	First Name	Gender	Birth Date	Document	Doc Type	Ctry	Expires	Excluded	Event Due	Total Due
Pilot: 117											
+Pax: 151											
+Pax: 253											

Flight Plan Summary

FP#	Date	Time	From	AOE	To	AOE	Route	Alt	Crew	Pax	Total
1	10/31/2020		MMCN	Yes	XFTE	No	DCT	5.5	2	3	5
2	11/30/2020		XFTE	No	MMCN	Yes	DCT	4.5	2	3	5
3	11/30/2020		MMCN	Yes	KCXL	Yes	DCT	12.5	2	3	5

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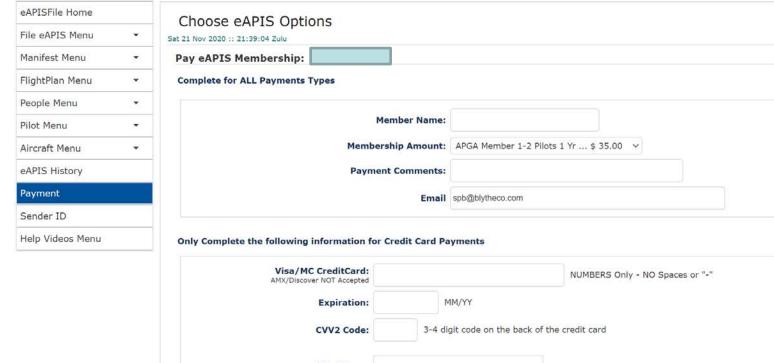**ICAO - IATA Codes XRef:** Please **Click Here** to use our Airport, ICAO, IATA Codes XRef and Lookup Tool.
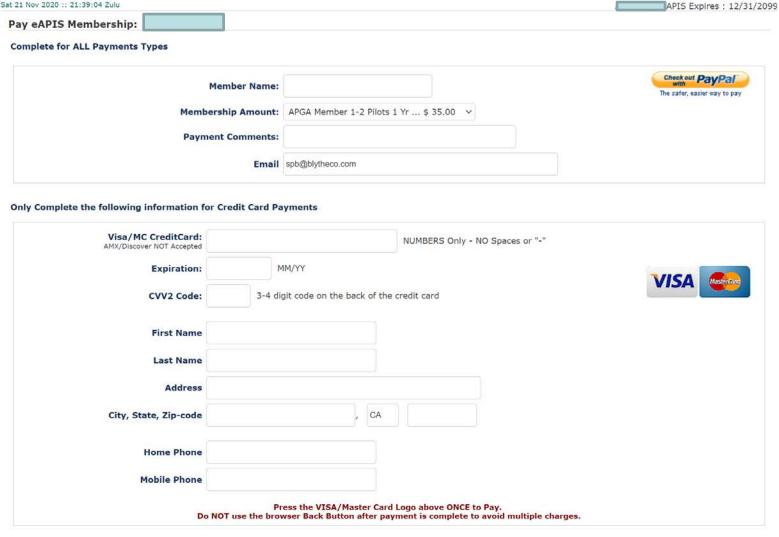**Note:** USA DHS/CPB expects ICAO Codes for airport on there eAPIS Manifests. Mexico expects IATA Codes on there Flightplans in Mexico

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A SenderID from the
US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Private Aircraft APIS Office
is required to use this eAPIS Service.
A SenderID will be in the format "APGAxxxx" (Private)
or "APIS*xxx" (Commercial) where "xxx" is a unique code.

You can signup for a SenderID here: https://eapis.cbp.dhs.gov/

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Aircraft: N8241K (1187) ▾   Show All: No ▾

Save Aircraft   Add New Aircraft   Save as NEW Aircraft   DEL

*ID - Tail No: N8241K   N8241K   **Default:** ☑   DeActivate Aircraft: ☐

Aircraft Description

Manufacture: Beech   Bonanza

Type: BE33   BE33   **Model :** F33A   F33A   **Year :** 1991   1991

Group: **Group Action:** ▾

The following are Not required for eAPIS but are required for International Flight Plans

Airworthiness No: En Vigor   En Vigor   **Serial No :** CE-1616   CE-1616

Home Base: KCNO   KSNA   **Equipment :** SG/SB2   SG/SB2   (Std,GPS/ADSB in/out)

Wake Category: L   (L)ight - (M)ed - (H)eavy   **Cruise Speed :** N0185   N0195 (N=Knots)

Endurance Hrs: 06:00   06:00

Base Color: White/Blue   White   **Trim Color :** Gold/Red   Blue

Remarks:

Aircraft Owner

Company Name: BlytheAir Inc

Enter an Aircraft Owner Company OR a Individual Name Below

Last Name: Blythe

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Pilot: New Pilot - - (1095) ▾   Show All: No ▾

Save Pilot Add New Pilot Save as NEW Pilot DEL

Pilot Name: New Pilot -   **Default:** ☐   **DeActivate Pilot:** ☐

Pilot Name

It is VERY IMPORTANT that this data has to MATCH your PASSPORT Information

* Pilot Last Name: New Pilot   **Group Action:** ▾

First Name: **Group:**

Middle Name:

Birth Date: mm/dd/yyyy 📅

Birth City:

State: Choose State ▾

Country: UNITED STATES (USA) ▾

Pilot Status: PILOT ▾

Gender: ▾

Pilot Address

It is VERY IMPORTANT that this data has to MATCH your PASSPORT Information

Permanent Address:

City:

State: Choose State ▾   **Postal Code:**

Country: UNITED STATES (USA) ▾

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People: New Person, - (12195) ▾   Show All: No ▾

Save Person   Add New Person   Save as NEW Person   DEL

Name: New Person,   DeActivate PAX: ☐

It is VERY IMPORTANT that this data has to MATCH your PASSPORT Information

Name

* Last Name: New Person	Group Action: ▾
First Name:	Group:
Middle Name:	
Alternate Name:	

People Status: PAX ▾

Gender: ▾

Mobile Phone:

Email:

Address

Permanent Address:

City:

State: AGUASCALIENTES, MEXICO (AG) ▾   Postal Code:

Country: AEUBA - ACE (AW) ▾

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SenderID: APGA1614

   Save Manifest   Add New Manifest   Save as NEW Manifest   DEL

*Route Name : Liga Default   **Default:** ✓   Example

Group :   DeActivate FP: ☐   Group: ▼

USA Departure - US Departure Airport Information:

Departure Customs: CA - KCXL - Calexico - Calexico International Airport ▼

All Airports ▼   Customs Departure Airport should be a US Customs Airport close to Departure Airport.

Airport Override: KCXL ↗ **City:** Calexico   **State:** CA ▼

Use ONLY if Departure Customs Dropdown missing your desired Customs Airport.

Departure Place: KCNO Hanger 290-15

Airport and FBO, Spot or Hanger on Your Departure Airport

Local Date: 10/31/2020 📅   **Local Time:** 08:00 AM ⏱ hh:mm

The Departure Time should be the estimated LOCAL time you will cross the Border

USA Departure - Foreign Arrival Airport Information:

Foreign Airport: MMCN   **City:** Ciudad Obregon

Country: MEXICO (MEX) ▼

Local Date: 10/31/2020 📅 mm/dd/yyyy   **Local Time:** 01:00 PM ⏱ hh:mm

The Arrival Time should be the estimated LOCAL time you will land at the Foriegn Airport

USA Departure - Foreign Route Information:

Border Crossing: 20 Miles West of KCXL

Describe Border Crossing Location in relation to an Airport, City or VOR

Foreign Route: MMCN - MM79 - MMCN - ___ - ___

No USA Airports - Only Foreign Airports to Final Destination

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All Data   Departure   Arrival   Address   People   PAX Exclude

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SenderID: [ ]

Save Manifest   Add New Manifest   Save as NEW Manifest   DEL

*Route Name : Liga Default   **Default:** ✓   Example

Group : [ ]   DeActivate FP: ☐   **Group:** [▾]

USA Arrival - US Arrival Airport Information:

Arrival Customs: CA - KCXL - Calexico - Calexico International Airport ▾

All Airports ▾

Customs Arrival Airport should be a US Customs Airport nearest your border crossing unless the aircraft and flight has approval via an over-flight exemption.

Override Airport: KCXL   ↗   **City:** Calexico   **State:** CA ▾

Use ONLY if Arrival Customs Dropdown does not contain your desired Customs Airport.

Arrival Place: KCXL - FBO - Customs

Airport and Customs, FBO, Spot or Hanger on Your Arrival Airport

Local Date: 11/07/2020 📅 mm/dd/yyyy   **Local Time:** 06:00 PM 🕐 hh:mm

The Arrival Time should be the estimated LOCAL time you will Land at USA Customs Airport

USA Arrival - Foreign Departure Airport Information:

Foreign Airport: MMCN   **City:** Ciudad Obregon

Country: MEXICO (MEX) ▾

Local Date: 11/07/2020 📅 mm/dd/yyyy   **Local Time:** 09:00 AM 🕐 hh:mm

The Departure Time should be the estimated LOCAL time you will Depart from the Foiegn Airport

USA Arrival - Foreign Route Information:

Border Crossing: KCXL

Describe Border Crossing Location in relation to an Airport, City or VOR

Foreign Route: MMCN - MM79 - MMCN - [ ] - [ ]

No USA Airports - Only Foreign Airports you visited.

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Select from People entered on the People Menu to include on your eAPIS Manifest & FlightPlan.

Add Existing Crew or Passenger's Customs Information to Manifest.

Select Person :   Choose Crew or Pax to Add (12) ▾   Select Person for Manifest

1: Passenger's Customs Information. PaxID: 151   Remove ⌄

Name :
USA Address :
Gender :   **Residence :** USA
Document :

2: Passenger's Customs Information. PaxID: 253   Remove ⌄

Name :
USA Address :
Gender :   **Residence :** USA
Document :

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Manifest PAX Exclude

All Data   Departure   Arrival   Address   People   **PAX Exclude**

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SenderID:

Save Manifest   Add New Manifest   Save as NEW Manifest   DEL

*Route Name : Liga Default   **Default:** ✔   Example

Group :   DeActivate FP: ☐   **Group:** ▾

Exclude a Manifest PAX from a Flightplan

Passenger			USA Outbound	Flight 1 MMCN-XFTE	Flight 2 XFTE-MMCN	Flight 3 MMCN-KCXL	USA Inbound
Pilot: 117	Blythe	Stephen	▾	▾	▾	▾	▾
+Pax: 151	Blythe	Kathleen	▾	▾	▾	▾	▾
+Pax: 253	Blythe	Philip	▾	▾	▾	▾	▾

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Save FlightPlan | Add New FlightPlan | Save as NEW FlightPlan | DEL

***Route Name :** Liga Default   **SenderID:** APGA1614   **Default:** ✔   Example

Group :   **Group Action:** ▼   DeActivate ☐

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Mexico Entrance & Arrival Documents

Intl Entrance : 10/31/2020   Dates are defaulted from eAPIS Manifest Dates

Intl Depart : 11/30/2020   **Expire Date :** 12/30/2020   Departure + 30 days

USA Origin : KCNO   KSNA   **Intl Arrival :** MMCN   MMCN   **Back to USA :** MMCN   MMCN

FP#	Date	Time	From	AOE	To	AOE	Route	Alt	Crew	Pax	Total
1	10/31/2020		MMCN	Yes	XFTE	No	DCT	5.5	2	3	5
2	11/30/2020		XFTE	No	MMCN	Yes	DCT	4.5	2	3	5
3	11/30/2020		MMCN	Yes	KCXL	Yes	DCT	12.5	2	3	5

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Save FlightPlan | Add New FlightPlan | Save as NEW FlightPlan | DEL

*Route Name : Liga Default   **SenderID:** APGA1614   **Default:** ☑ Example

Group : [   ]   **Group Action:** [▾]   DeActivate ☐

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MMCN to XFTE - International FlightPlan 1

mm/dd/yyyy (Blank = Delete or Use "00:00" or Date < Today to NOT print a Time or a Date)

Flight Date: 10/31/2020 🗓   **Auto Date Adjust:** Entrance Date ▾

Departing: MMCN   **AOE:** Yes ▾   **Depart Time:** --:-- -- 🕐   **Altitude:** 5.5

  MMCN   AOE/Towered   Blank (00:00) or hh:mm ZULU   6.5

Route: DCT

Use 'DCT' for Direct

Destination: XFTE ↗   **AOE:** No ▾   **Time In Route:** 00:30   **Alt Airport:** MMLM

  KCXL   AOE/Towered   hh:mm   KSDM

 # Pilots: 2   **# Passengers:** 3   **On Board:** 5   004

Flight Rules: V   V-I   **Type of Flight:** General Aviation ▾   **# in Flight:** 1   01

Information: [   ]

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Verify the Selections below and Data Entry Tabs are complete before filing eAPIS

Save Flight Info

Save Flight Info

* **Manifest:** Liga Default - 10/31/2020 (7323) ▼   10/31/2020 - 11/07/2020

* **Aircraft:** N8241K (1187) ▼   N8241K - 1991 - Beech - F33A

* **Pilot:** Blythe - ▼   Stephen Blythe

US Departure: (Local) 10/31/2020 📅 08:00 AM 🕐   KCXL-Calexico, CA

CBP Phone:760.357.1208 800.973.2867

US Arrival: (Local) 11/30/2020 📅 06:00 PM 🕐   KCXL-Calexico, CA

CBP Phone:760.357.1208 800.973.2867

* **Validate Manifest for:** Inbound & Outbound Manifests ∨   CBP SenderID

* **Validate FlightPlan:** Yes ∨   10/31/2020 - 11/30/2020

Save Flight Info to Update FlightPlan and Refresh Data

Crew & Passenger List

Pax/Mbr	Last Name	First Name	Gender	Birth Date	Document	Doc Type	Ctry	Expires	Excluded	Event Due	Total Due
Pilot: 117											
+Pax: 151											
+Pax: 253											

Flight Plan Summary

FP#	Date	Time	From	AOE	To	AOE	Route	Alt	Crew	Pax	Total
1	10/31/2020		MMCN	Yes	XFTE	No	DCT	5.5	2	3	5
2	11/30/2020		XFTE	No	MMCN	Yes	DCT	4.5	2	3	5
3	11/30/2020		MMCN	Yes	KCXL	Yes	DCT	12.5	2	3	5

FlightPlan Help: Please **Click Here** or **Click Here** for a Summary FlightPlan instructions

Customs Contact Numbers Help: Please **Click Here** or **Click Here** for Customs Port Listings

ICAO - IATA Codes XRef: Please **Click Here** to use our Airport, ICAO, IATA Codes XRef and Lookup Tool.

Note: USA DHS/CPB expects ICAO Codes for airport on there eAPIS Manifests. Mexico expects IATA Codes on there Flightplans in Mexico

Choose Manifest People

Choose Manifest People

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Select from People entered on the People Menu to include on your eAPIS Manifest & FlightPlan.

Add Existing Crew or Passenger's Customs Information to Manifest.

Select Person :   Choose Crew or Pax to Add (12) ▾   Select Person for Manifest

1: Passenger's Customs Information. PaxID: 151   Remove ⌄

Name :
USA Address :
Gender :
Document :

Residence : USA

2: Passenger's Customs Information. PaxID: 253   Remove ⌄

Name :
USA Address :
Gender :
Document :

Residence : USA

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Error Your eAPIS US Departure Date of **10/31/2020**,
Is in the PAST, Please use a Current or Future date
Please EDIT your eAPIS Manifest if this is not correct.

Warning Your Foreign Departure Date (**11/30/2020**) and eAPIS USA Arrival (**11/07/2020**) Dates do not Match
Please EDIT your eAPIS Manifest or FlightPlan if this is not correct.

Error Your eAPIS manifest US Arrival Date of **11/07/2020**,
Is in the PAST, Please use a Current or Future date
Please EDIT your eAPIS Manifest if this is not correct.

Error Your International FlightPlan Entrance Date of **10/31/2020**,
Is in the PAST, Please use a Current or Future date
Click "**Use Event Dates**" to Update Route Dates to match the Selected Event Dates: [Use Event Dates]

Warning The No. of OnBoard on your International FlightPlan 5, 5, 5, 5, 5,
Does **NOT** Agree with OnBoard List of Pilot: 1 PAX: 2
Please edit your FlightPlan to match your Crew/People List

NO WARNING Messages - OK to File your eAPIS Manifest

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Validate the Dates and Times as well as the Arrival Customs Airport.
Call your Arrival Customs office to verify their receipt - Prior to Flight

Warning The No. of FlightPilots on your International FlightPlan **2, 2, 2, 2, 2**
Does **NOT** Agree with FlightPilots List of Pilot: 1
Please edit your FlightPlan to match your Crew List

Warning The No. of FlightPax on your International FlightPlan **3, 3, 3, 3, 3**,
Does **NOT** Agree with FlightPax List of PAX: 2
Please edit your FlightPlan to match your People List

Error Your Passenger (PAX) Passport is Expired or will Expire Soon.
Please EDIT your Passenger (PAX) List Information on the People Menu.
    253 Blythe, Philip   Check Passport Expired

*** Check the 7 WARNING Messages on the Validate page before you File your eAPIS Manifest ***

*** You have 1 ERROR Messages, or invalid or missing data. ***

*** If you FILE your eAPIS with invalid or missing data you are Subject to Fines. ***

[Validate eAPIS Data]

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Manifest - Transaction

Flight Type	GA
Schema Version	2.0
Sender ID	
Date Assembled	2020-11-21
Time Assembled	14:14:00

Emergency Contact
Name
Telephone No
Email Address

Outbound Itinerary

Outbound Departure Location

Airport Code	KCXL
City/State	Calexico CA
Place Description	KCNO Hanger 290-15
Local Departure Date	2020-11-30
Local Departure Time	08:00
Border Crossing	20 Miles West of KCXL
Foreign Airport 1-5	MMCN MM79 MMCN

Outbound Arrival Location

Airport Code	MMCN
City/State	Ciudad Obregon MEX
Local Arrival Date	2020-11-30
Local Arrival Time	13:00

Aircraft

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Validate the Dates and Times as well as the Arrival Customs Airport.
Call your Arrival Customs office to verify their receipt - Prior to Flight

1. **USA eAPIS :** File the eAPIS Manifest Data DIRECTLY to DHS-CBP Servers

File USA eAPIS Departure	1	USA Departure - Out-Bound
File USA eAPIS Arrival	1	USA Arrival - In-Bound
OR		
File USA eAPIS Departure & Arrival	1	File BOTH USA Arrival Departure

2. **Mexico eAPIS :** File the eAPIS Manifest Data electronically thru ARINC

File Mexico eAPIS Departure	1	Mexico Departure - Out-Bound to USA
File Mexico eAPIS Arrival	1	Mexico Arrival - In-Bound from USA
OR		
File Mexico eAPIS Both	1	File BOTH Mexico Arrival & Departure

3. **Alternate USA/Mexico Transmission:** Save this file to your PC - Upload into eAPIS Website

Save eAPIS XML Departure	1	USA Departure - Out-Bound
Save eAPIS XML Arrival	1	USA Arrival - In-Bound
Upload each XML to eAPIS Website	100%	Upload XML files to Customs Website

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Display & Print PDF Documents	Pax Count	Print Count	# of Copies Required / Document Description
Crew and Passenger List	x2x	4	2 / Crew and Passenger Customs List
			Provide to Customs for Crew & Passenger Manifest List
Arrival Report - MMCN from KCNO	1-1	1	2 / Initial AOE Airport
			Arrival Document at Mexico AOE - give to Commandant
Landing Doc - MMCN from KCNO	1-1	2	1 / Arrival Airport + Pax List for Flight Plan
			Mexico Army Landing Document - Hand to them upon Landing
FlightPlan1 (MMCN-->XFTE)	2	3	1-6 / Any Towered Airport
			To fly from AOE Airport (MMCN) to Next Airport (XFTE)
Landing Doc for XFTE from MMCN	1-1	2	1 / Arrival Airport + Pax List for Flight Plan
			Mexico Army Landing Document - Hand to them upon Landing
Landing Doc for MMCN from XFTE	1-1	2	1 / Arrival Airport + Pax List for Flight Plan
			Mexico Army Landing Document - Hand to them upon Landing
Arrival Report for MMCN from XFTE	1-1	1	2 / Arrival Airport
			Mexico Arrival Document for MMCN. Give to Commandant
Int'l Flight Plan 3 (MMCN-->KCXL)	2	3	1-6 / Tower Airport
			To fly from Towered Airport (MMCN) to Next Airport (KCXL)

Blank Forms:	*US Customs*	*MX Entrance*	*Intl Flight Plan*	*MX Arrival Report*
Partial Forms:	*US Customs*	*MX Entrance*	*Intl Flight Plan*	*MX Arrival Report*
	Customs Decal		*None AOE Arrival*	*El Fuerte MM79 Arrival*

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Mexico eAPIS

- Uses same info as US eAPIS

- Filed thru ARINC to Mexico

- Put eAPIS filing copies in your binder

Corporate Use in Mexico

The following is an example of a Letter for use of a Airplane owned by a Corporation for use in Mexico. (Personal / Not for Profit) Letter should be printed on Letterhead and be Notarized.

To whom it may concern:

This Authorizes **STEPHEN P. BLYTHE** to fly the aircraft **N-8241K, a 1991 Bonanza F33A**, in Mexico between the Dates: 1/1/2009 and 12/31/2012 for Personal Use, Not for Profit

Stephen P. Blythe

Stephen P. Blythe, President
Blytheco Inc
23161 Mill Creek Dr., Suite 200
Laguna Hills, CA 92653

(Notary Expire Date should be after the thru data on this document)

Phone: 949 583-9500

Mexican Insurance

You *must* have an USA **insurance policy clearly stating you are covered in MEXICO or a policy issued by a Mexican liability carrier** before you travel to Mexico.

- Aircraft liability insurance required in Mexico
- Keep 2 copies of insurance summary in your binder
- Policy coverage area MUST include Mexico
- Highlight the word "Mexico" in yellow highlighter
- Keep copies of both the summary and full policy

Flight Planning & Preparation

- ✓ **Jeppesen Mexico Trip Kit (IFR)**
- ✓ **Jeppesen/Forflight America's Nav Database**
- ✓ **Airports of Mexico Flying Guide ($ 45.00 – Baja Bush Pilots)**
- ✓ **Baja Bush Pilots Website www.bushpilotsinternational.com/**
- ✓ **Liga International www.LigaInternational.org**
- ✓ **Flying Samaritans www.flyingsamaritans.net**

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Pilot's Guide to Mexico & Central America

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Flight Planning & Preparation

Arrival and Departure Airports must be Customs Airports

Airport Name	ID	Apch	Tower	VOR	ATIS	Runway	Length	Elv	GPS Loctaion
Mexicali	MMML	twr	118.2	115.0	127.6	10 / 28	8530	72	N32 37.8 W115 14.5
Tijuana	MMTJ	119.5	118.1	116.5	127.9	09 / 27	9711	499	N32 32.5 W116 58.3
Ensenada	MMES	twr	119.75	400n	.	11 / 29	4892	66	N31 47.7 W116 36.1
San Felipe	MMSF	twr	118.5	.	.	13 / 31	5170	150	N30 56.0 W114 49.0
Puerto Penasco	MPPE	twr	122.8	112.1	.	11 / 21	4900	30	N31 21.0 W113 32.0
Guaymas	MMGM	twr	118.6	.	.	02 / 20	7700	89	N27 58.0 W110 55.0
Hermosillo	MMHO	121.4	118.7	112.8	127.7	05 / 23 11 / 29	7546 3609	646	N29 05.7 W111 02.8
Ciudad Obregon	MMCN	twr	118.3	115.1	127.6	13 / 31	7500	243	N27 23.6 W109 50.0
Loreto	MMLT	twr	118.4	113.2	.	16 / 34	7218	10	N25 59.4 W111 20.9

File a USA Flight Plan

- ✓ Call 1 800 WXBRIEF (800 992-7433) In Mexico 001 858 277-3493

- ✓ When you complete your flight plan, tell Flight Service that you need a "**return customs notification**" for the date of your return.
    - ✓ (**ADCUS** in the remarks)
    - ✓ You must indicate the U.S. Airport of Entry to which you will be returning, generally San Diego Brown (KSDM), Calexico (KCXL) or Yuma (KYUM), and the time at which you anticipate you will return. (GA Airport w/ Customs)
    - ✓ Flight Service will then notify Customs when to expect you.

- ✓ File IFR or VFR flight plan to Mexico up to 22 hours in advance of border crossing

- ✓ Return flight plan from Mexico to the US can be filed 30 days in advance.

- ✓ Start your USA Departure Flight under IFR, or on an VFR activated flight plan with VFR flight following

Customs Phone Numbers

- [eAPIS Private Flyers Guide](#) - On our eAPIS Help Page
  A must read PDF Document, Instructions, Ports of Entry, forms etc for crossing the border. Including Phone #'s and website links

- https://www.eapisfile.com/Docs/eAPIS/airport_inspection.pdf List of Customs Ports

- Calexico CA (KCXL)   760.357.1208   Sun-Sat 0800-2000
- San Diego Brown (KSDM)   619.661.3294   Mon-Fri 0800-2000 Sat-Sun 1200-2000
- Palomar (KCRQ) $50   760.431.4629   Sun-Sat 0900-1700

- Yuma AZ (KYUM)   928.344.9572   Mon-Fri 0800-1600
- Tucson AZ (KTUS)   520.799.8348 x5   Sun-Sat 0700-2000

Updating a eAPIS Change

✓ You have to provide a 1 hour notice for any Change. CBP is currently issuing fines for taking off prior to 1 hour after filing your eAPIS via the website.

✓ You should re-file the eAPIS documents and wait for a confirmation for any change.

✓ If its is only a Time Change for the **Same Day** then you can update via Flight Services.
   ✓ Flight Services 122.6 122.5, 122.4 for San Diego – Ask them to ADVISE CUSTOMS

✓ Verify that Customs Office will be staffed the Day and Time you plan to arrive.
   ✓ https://www.eapisfile.com/Docs/eAPIS/airport_inspection.pdf List of Customs Ports
   ✓ Verify the procedures at your Port of entry – Each Port is Different
   ✓ Call them! Ask them about time change procedures and staffing hours

✓ Date and Time Changes are a Big Advantage of our Website
   ✓ You can make a change and re-file in 1-2 min.
   ✓ 30-60 min process via the DHS/CBP Website
   ✓ Liga and Sams PAX are auto populated to the Flight Plans

Day of Departure

The following is a Check List for the Day of Departure:

- ✓ **Passports REQUIRED for All Pilots & Passengers**
- ✓ **Multi-Entry Permit or 2 sets of Required Documents**
    - ✓ **Pilot's License & Medical Certificate**
    - ✓ **Registration & Airworthiness Certificate**
    - ✓ **Notarized letter from the registered owner**
- ✓ **Mexico Insurance policy**
- ✓ **Optional: Draft Copies or Completed Copies of MX Flight Plans etc.**
- ✓ **CC/Cash for Fuel & Fees w/ Small Bills – Do not expect much change**
- ✓ **eAPIS filing (via our website or eAPIS Site) for Departure and Return**
- ✓ **Print out and keep with you the eAPIS confirmation # for both flights**
- ✓ **Flight Plan and Return Flight Plan Filled w/ US Flight Service**
- ✓ **Mexico IFR Flight Pac and Baja Bush Airports Guide**
- ✓ **Prop Lock, Tie Downs**
- ✓ **2-4 Qrts of Oil, Basic Repair Tools.**
- ✓ **Basic Survival Gear (Water or Land)**
- ✓ **Backup Nav/Com Radio, GPS, Personal ELT etc.**
- ✓ **Hats, Sunscreen, Sunglasses, Water, Snacks, Camera, Proper Clothing**

Credit Card Problems

- ✓ **Expect your credit card MAY not work to pay for gas**
- ✓ **Calling your credit provider while trying to pay for gas won't work**
- ✓ **Let your card company know you will be traveling before you go**
- ✓ **Bring pesos to pay cash for gas, incase CC machine is down**
- ✓ **Cash USA dollars are NO LONGER ACCEPTED**
- ✓ **Mexican fuel prices average about 25% less than US price**
- ✓ **ATM Cards work great, lowest service charges in grocery stores**

Flying across the ADIZ to Mexico

The following is what you can expect as you fly across the USA ADIZ into Mexico:

- ✓ **Open your Mexico IFR or VFR Flight Plan**
- ✓ **You will be provided a Discrete Transponder Code to Cross the ADIZ**

- ✓ **US Controllers "squawk VFR" 1-10 miles before Border.**
- ✓ **Before crossing border heading south, call the nearest Mexican towered airport and report crossing the border, usually Mexicali (118.2) or Tijuana (119.5).**
- ✓ **Speak English slowly and clearly**

- ✓ **On first call to Mexican controllers, state only your N number and await a response.**
- ✓ **Then state your type aircraft, departure point, destination, altitude and position.**

- ✓ **You will be given a squawk code and asked to report at various positions and then told when to leave frequency and the next frequency suggested.**
- ✓ **Keep your ADS-B & Transponder ON at all times**

- ✓ **Mexican controllers prefer that you speak English unless you are 100% fluent in Spanish.**
- ✓ **Unless otherwise instructed, contact Mexican Towers 50 DME out.**

- ✓ **Watch out for Restricted Aeras Around HMO and south of TJ**
- ✓ **Radar is improving but spotty.**

Landing at an AOE in Mexico

- ✓ Flying, communication and landing same as USA
- ✓ After landing, armed soldier will usually approach aircraft
- ✓ Be prepared to provide names, tail #, where from, where 2, fuel on board, last amount of fuel purchased, where fuel purchased.
  - ✓ Use our LANDING Document to provide this information

- ✓ Customs may search the plane (30% of time)
  - ✓ Take luggage in to terminal if asked

- ✓ Ask fuel truck for gas ("alas" = mains, "puntas" = tips, "lleno" = full)
- ✓ Pay for gas

- ✓ Send passengers to potty and to Immigration/Customs with their passports.

Mexico Fees Summary

Air navigation services in Mexico are not free. The information listed below is our best understanding of the current Mexican fee structure. You can expect to pay: (note: these can change regularly and so does the exchange rate.)

- ✓ **A US$120 tax (N$2400) each time an aircraft crosses into Mexican airspace (an annual permit can be purchased at the AOE for the same amount).** This amount is double what it was in 2013

- ✓ **An airspace tax which is based on the wingspan (amended May 13, 2005):**
    - ✓ **Up to 10 meters (32.8 feet) and helicopters: The tax is N$70 or about US$6.36.**
    - ✓ **More than 10, up to 11.1 meters (36.4 feet): The tax is N$100 or about US$9.09.**
    - ✓ **More than 11.1 meters up to 16.7 meters (54.8 feet): The tax is N$150 or about US$13.64.**

- ✓ **A landing fee based on the weight of the aircraft (about US$8 for a single, $15 for a twin).**

- ✓ **The Gas Invoice will have a series of Taxes & Fees – These also exist in the US but are not usually broken out on our receipts.**

- ✓ **A US$40 (N$800) per person immigration fee (this can be purchased as a multiple entry and would be good for 180 days).**

- ✓ **All other fees and taxes are local. Also, pilots are reminded that the above procedures and fees are general in nature and may vary from airport to airport.**

Mexico Paperwork for the Pilot

- ✓ **Flight Plan Office (maybe the Commandants office)**
    - ✓ Complete Arrival Report
    - ✓ Complete Flight Plan (Will be stamped at All Other offices to show you were there)
- ✓ **Commandants Office**
    - ✓ Purchase or Present Multi-Entry Permit.
- ✓ **Customs Office**
    - ✓ Bag or Plane Search,
    - ✓ Custom Forms Completed
- ✓ **Immigration Office**
    - ✓ Immigration Form Completed & Pay Fee – Now split for inbound and outbound
    - ✓ Passport Stamp
- ✓ **Fuel Payment – Cashier**
    - ✓ Get Fuel Receipt
    - ✓ Pay for Fuel, Taxes & Landing Fees
- ✓ **Flight Plan Office**
    - ✓ Back to Flight Plans Office to Check Out and get Flight Plan & Final Paperwork.
    - ✓ Important Documents to KEEP:
        - ✓ **Arrival Report, Flight Plan, Multi Entry Permit & Receipt**

Mexico Multi-Entry Permit

- ✓ **Present these documents:**

- ✓ **Pilot's License & Medical Certificate**
- ✓ **Registration & Airworthiness Certificate**
- ✓ **Notarized letter from the registered owner** (if you are not he/she)
- ✓ **Insurance policy** showing coverage in Mexico

Mexico Flight Forms

Filling out in advance saves time

- ✓ **Flight Plan (*Plan de Vuelo*)**
  - ✓ (**4 copies**) – At each AOE

- ✓ **Arrival Report (*Reporta de LIlegada en Vuelo de Ruta*)**
  - ✓ (**4 copies**) At each AOE

- ✓ **Mexico Multi-Entry Permit** and **proof of payment of entry fee** if you have entered earlier in the calendar year.
  - ✓ **KEEP the Receipt with the Permit**

PLAN DE VUELO
FLIGHT PLAN

BLVD. ADOLFO LÓPEZ MATEOS No. 1990, COL. LOS ALPES TLACOPAC, DELEGACIÓN ÁLVARO OBREGÓN, C.P. 01010, MÉXICO, D.F.

FECHA: DIA MES AÑO
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Radiocomunicacion navigation and approach navaids
SG/SB2

10b VIGILANCIA
Surveillance
« ≡

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A 0 5 5

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16 AEROPUERTO / AERODROMO DE DESTINO
Destination aerodrome
— X F T E

EET TOTAL
Total EET
HR MIN
0 0 3 0

AEROPUERTO / AERODROMO ALT.
Altn. Aerodrome
→ M M L M

AEROPUERTO / 2° AERODROMO ALT.
2nd altn. aerodrome
→

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18 OTROS DATOS
Other information
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INFORMACION SUPLEMENTARIA (EN LOS MENSAJES FPL NO HAY QUE TRANSMITIR ESTOS DATOS)
Supplementary information (not to be transmitted in FPL messages)

19 AUTONOMIA
Endurance
HR MIN
— E / 0 6 0 0

PERSONAS A BORDO
Persons on board
→ P / 0 0 2

EQUIPO RADIO DE EMERGENCIA
Emergency radio
UHF VHF ELT
→ R / X V E

EQUIPO DE SUPERVIVENCIA / Survival equipament

POLAR Polar | **DESERTICO** Desert | **MARITIMO** Maritime | **SELVA** Jungle
→ S / X X X X

CHALECOS / Jackets
LUZ Light | FLUOR Fluores | UHF | VHF
→ X / X X X X

BOTES NEUMATICOS / Dinghies

NUMERO Number | **CAPACIDAD** Capacity | **CUBIERTA** Cover | **COLOR** Colour
→ X / X → « ≡

COLOR Y MARCAS DE LA AERONAVE
Aircraft colour and Markings
A / Base: White/Blue w Trim: Gold/Red

OBSERVACIONES
Remarks
→ X / « ≡

PILOTO AL MANDO
Pilot in command
No. LIC. Lic. Nbr. | **DOMICILIO** Address | **FIRMA** Signature
C / Stephen Philip Blythe-2810768-USA | KCNO |)« ≡

Mexico After the AOE

Check Fuel, Get back in the Plane and contact the Tower for taxi (same as in the US) Take off to your next airport. They will expect you to report heading, Altitude and distance from the airport (Usually 5, 10 & 30 Miles out. If you did not file a flight plan or the commandant did not send it to the tower, you may be asked to return to the commandants office.

- ✓ If you travel to other airports in Mexico the airport officials will meet your plane and ask for your name and pilot's license number, and may ask to see a copy of your Aircraft Arrival document and the flight plan from your AOE or last airport.

- ✓ The only difference at from the AOE airport (First Landing) and your second stop will be less entrance paperwork and less of a chance for a customs inspection. You will still need to complete a Flight Plan, Pay Landing fees, Parking Fees, Departure Fees etc.

- ✓ Non Towered airports do not require Flight Plans to depart and have much fewer fees, if any.

Mexico Paperwork for the Pilot

The first few time I flew into Mexico and went to different Airports I was unfamiliar with the expected procedures. They all seemed to work differently. But, after I learned the procedures they really are all the same. Here are the steps you can expect:

- ✓ **Flight Plan Office (maybe the Commandants office)**
    - ✓ Complete Arrival Report
    - ✓ Complete Flight Plan (Will be stamped at All Other offices to show you were there)
- ✓ **Commandants Office**
    - ✓ Purchase or Present Multi-Entry Permit.
- ✓ **Customs Office**
    - ✓ Bag or Plane Search,
    - ✓ Custom Forms Completed
- ✓ **Immigration Office**
    - ✓ Immigration Form Completed & Pay Fee – Now split for inbound and outbound
    - ✓ Passport Stamp
- ✓ **Fuel Payment – Cashier**
    - ✓ Get Fuel Receipt
    - ✓ Pay for Fuel, Taxes & Landing Fees
- ✓ **Flight Plan Office**
    - ✓ Back to Flight Plans Office to Check Out and get Flight Plan & Final Paperwork.
    - ✓ Important Documents to KEEP:
        - ✓ **Arrival Report, Flight Plan, Multi Entry Permit & Receipt**

Common Operational Questions

✓ **Can you file a Mexican flight plan over the telephone?**
    ✓ **NO.** You must file a flight plan in writing for approval of every flight-both VFR and IFR, and they must be opened and closed in person.

✓ **Can I use any airport for entry into Mexico?**
    ✓ **NO.** General aviation aircraft must enter and exit through designated Airports of Entry in Mexico.

✓ **What can I do if I cannot establish communications with ATC over water?**
    ✓ If you are having difficulty establishing communications, often overflying airline traffic will be willing to relay messages to ATC. This is especially helpful with regard to position reports over Gulf coastal areas. Also plan your flight at higher altitudes for improved radio communications.

✓ **Should I speak Spanish over the radio?**
    ✓ Do not speak Spanish over the radio unless your Spanish is excellent. English is the official operational language.

✓ **How can I reduce the chance of being charged for overtime services?**
    ✓ Plan your flights to arrive and depart at both U.S. and Mexican Immigration/Customs office only during normal working hours. It would also be wise to plan your flight in the morning to avoid siesta time. A list of Mexican holidays is listed in the appendix.

✓ **Should I keep my flight plans?**
    ✓ **YES.** Retain your copies of all documents (flight plans and Mexican forms and receipts) for future reference, because they will be required by the Mexican officials.

✓ **Should I tip Mexican officials?**
    ✓ Generally, it is not necessary to tip Mexican Customs and Immigration officials; however, moderate tipping to the fuel-pump attendants is common.

✓ **Can I use my portable cellular telephone while in flight?**
    ✓ **NO.** The FCC has specific rules against the use of cellular phones in aircraft while in flight. Also, cellular phones may be considered portable electronic devices. Refer to FAR 91.21.

✓ **Can I depart a controlled field if the weather looks better than forecast?**
    ✓ The commandant at the airport has the authority to prevent a pilot to take off if he deems it is unsafe. Do not argue because he legally has this authority.

✓ **Can I drop off friends in Mexico and come back and pick them up later?**
    ✓ **YES.** Recent changes in Mexico's regulations have eliminated previous restrictions.

Be a Traveler NOT a Tourist

Enjoy Mexico – The further South you go the better the country, culture and the people.

**Slow Down, Relax, Treat them with Respect, Enjoy the Experience
The nicer you are the better their English is !!**

No VFR Flights at NIGHT – IFR ONLY

**IFR is not like in the USA – Do not expect much help.
Radar is HIGH 15k+ and spotty.
TCAS is a Nice feature to have. – Keep your Transponder ON**

Flying in Mexico is Back to the Basics – Enjoy it.

Getting Back into the USA

Now for the HARD Stuff. - Getting Back into the USA.

- ✓ **Land at a Mexico AOE before Departure** (whether or not you need fuel).
  - ✓ **Commandants Office**
    - ✓ You will file an International Flight Plan to your U.S. Airport of Entry.
    - ✓ Call your US customs agent at US Arrival Airport and update eAPIS Times

- ✓ eAPIS must be updated with the Customs office for the US AOE. If it's a time change it can be done via Phone or if it's a full time office via Flight Service. The procedure is different per Office, Call to Check.

- ✓ You MUST Re-file your eAPIS documents if it is a different day than the original filing date.

- ✓ Upon departing Mexico you need to depart from a Mexican Airport of Entry Enroute, if it appears that your time of arrival at your U.S. Airport of Entry is going to differ from the time that you filed with San Diego FSS, call San Diego Radio on 122.6, 122.4, 122.5 and tell them you need to "update your border crossing flight plan ETA".   You can call them from Mexico via Phone 001 858 277-3493 or in the US at 800 439-4322.

- ✓ You can usually reach San Diego just north of Puerto Penasco VOR or San Felipe. You can then be up to 15 minutes late at your airport of arrival for your updated arrival time, but not early. Plan accordingly.

- ✓ Make sure you Filed your Return Flight Plan when you left the US. I recommend that It should be scheduled for a few hrs later than you expect to return. This will give you flexibility on your return and make the return into the US easier. This just makes it easier but is not required. 30 vs 60 Min

- ✓ **You must be on a discrete transponder code when crossing the border northbound.** Call San Diego on 122.6, .4, .5 and open your flight plan and request a squawk code.

USA Customs

You will Now cross the Border with a Discreet Transponder Code. You need to arrive at the Customs Airport within 15 min of your scheduled ETA. Not Before only after. Circle the airport if you are early.

- ✓ The fine is $5000 for failure to notify US Customs at least 1 hour prior to your arrival.
  - ✓ Trust me it sounds a lot worse than it is.
  - ✓ The key to this is to File your Flight plan to get back into the US when you leave the US. This allows you to only provide a 1/2 hr notice.
  - ✓ Easily done on SD Radio 122.6 30-60 min south of the US Border.
  - ✓ The ADCUS in the flight plan is the request for them to call Customs for you.
  - ✓ Worst case is you just slow down or burn ½ hr fuel over Mexico.
  - ✓ At 6-10,000ft you can reach SD Radio 35-45 min out.
  - ✓ Once I came into Brown Field early (the rare chance I had a Tail wind) there was no Customs on site. So I just did 3 Touch & Goes w/ the tower then landed at my assigned time.
  - ✓ Calexico is much more flexible since Customs in onsite at that field. I have landed 15 mins after contacting ATC w/ no issues.
  - ✓ The key is a Customs agent has to be present when you land and stay w/ your plane until they clear you.
  - ✓ Don't even let your passengers do a potty stop unless customs clears them.

- ✓ Upon landing at your U.S. Airport of Entry, you will be directed to the appropriate position for Customs.
  - ✓ Stay with your aircraft, and have all of your passengers stay there, until a customs officer comes to see you.
  - ✓ You will have to either present or purchase a U.S. Customs Sticker ($30 per year).
  - ✓ You will also be asked to present your ORIGINAL passport, visa and/or Green card, pilot's license, medical certificate, aircraft registration, and airworthiness certificate.
  - ✓ You and your passengers will also be asked for passports and other identification.

- ✓ **Close your International Flight Plan**
- ✓ Take off and Head home w/ lots of Good Memories

USA Customs Do's & Don'ts

- ✓ **DO know Customs and eAPIS rules.** There is lots of help on our website
- ✓ **DO** notify Customs in advance by telephone for eAPIS or Time changes.
- ✓ **DO** get Local Customs information from Local Customs officials.
- ✓ **DO** be on time.
- ✓ **DO** request the Customs officer's badge number if there is an issue.
- ✓ **DO** declare every article acquired abroad and accompanying you, including gifts.
- ✓ **DO** keep a record of all acquired items; save sales invoices.
- ✓ **DO** pack your purchases and gifts in one piece of luggage or a box.
- ✓ **DO** have all your baggage ready for inspection.
- ✓ **DO** know your state and federal liquor restrictions.
- ✓ **DO** understand that every country insists upon a Customs examination for returning residents.
- ✓ **DO** be patient.
- ✓ **DON'T** exceed your Customs exemption without expecting to pay duty.
- ✓ **DON'T** forget that your purchases sent home are subject to duty.
- ✓ **DON'T** be surprised if Customs opens your baggage
- ✓ **DON'T** forget that all accompanying foreign purchases must be declared, even those you wore or used.
- ✓ **DON'T** accept the offer of a "false" sales invoice. This could result in seizure or penalties.
- ✓ **DON'T** rely on the "experienced" traveler or foreign seller for Customs information.
- ✓ **DON'T** bring back fruits, plants, vegetables, or meat without permits from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.
- ✓ **DON'T** be late.
- ✓ **DON'T exit your aircraft or the Blue Box until you are authorized by Customs.**

Why Fly to Mexico