



Embassy Tel Aviv Consulate General Jerusalem and Consular Agency Haifa Joint Newsletter

Spotlight: Where to Apply for Consular Services in Israel, Jerusalem & the West Bank

American Citizen Services are available at three locations:

The U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv;
the U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem; and
the Consular Agency in Haifa.

All three locations stand ready to provide routine consular services, including notarial services and acceptance of applications for passports and Consular Reports of Birth Abroad. You are welcome to apply anywhere. See summary chart below for pertinent information, including how to schedule an appointment.

	Embassy Tel Aviv	Consulate General Jerusalem	Consular Agency Haifa
Physical Location	71 HaYarkon St., Tel Aviv	17 David Flusser, Jerusalem	26 Ben Gurion St., Haifa
Work Week	Monday-Friday	Monday-Friday	Sunday-Thursday
Hours	7:30AM-4:00PM	8:00AM-4:30PM	8:30AM-3:30PM
E-Mail Address	AMCTelAviv@state.gov	JerusalemACS@state.gov	consage@netvision.net.il
Telephone During Working Hours	03-519-7475 (non-passport emergencies only)	02-630-4000	04-853-1470
After-Hour Emergencies	03-519-7575	02-622-7230	03-519-7575 (Embassy Tel Aviv)
On-Site Parking	NO	YES	NO (Available nearby)
Passport Appointments	Online	Online	By Telephone
Consular Report of Birth Abroad (CRBA) Appointments	E-mail	E-mail	By Telephone
Notary Appointments	Online	E-mail	By Telephone
Emergency Passports	YES	YES	NO
Federal Benefits (e.g., Social Security)	Very Limited (only accept first time Social Security applications with CRBA). Federal Benefits Unit comes to the Embassy bi-monthly to provide services.	Full (Federal Benefits Unit located onsite)	Limited (contact Consular Agency by telephone)
Renunciations	YES	YES	NO
Passport Roadshows (accept passport and CRBA applications and provide notary services)	Beit Shemesh, Beersheva, Dimona, Tzfat, Eilat, and Modiin (all annually)	Ramallah and Erez Crossing	NO (conducted by Embassy Tel Aviv)

Important Note: If you have made an appointment at one location and subsequently find an appointment elsewhere that you would rather have, please be sure to cancel any duplicate appointments to free the up for others.

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Upcoming Events:

Roadshows:
Consular officers from Embassy Tel Aviv plan to visit Beit Shemesh on October 24 and Beer Sheva on November 1 to provide routine consular services.

To make an appointment in Beit Shemesh, send an email to usembassyin-beitshemesh@gmail.com

To make an appointment in Beer Sheva, send an email to mgreen@aaci.org.il

U.S. Consulate General Jerusalem

Upcoming Events:

The next regular outreach events to Ramallah, West Bank (the Canadian Representative Office): will be on September 6 and September 27; to make an appointment for one of these outreach event, please email

jerusalemoffsiteconsular@state.gov

Supreme Court Decision in Sessions vs. Morales-Santana

The June 12th Supreme Court ruling in Sessions vs. Morales-Santana changed the eligibility requirements for transmitting citizenship to children who were born out of wedlock to an American citizen mother and a non-citizen father. The requirements follow:

If the child was born : Before June 12, 2017	On or after June 12, 2017
The mother must present evidence that she was physically present in the United States for 365 continuous days at some point prior to the birth of her child.	The mother must present evidence that she was physically present in the United States for 5 total years, at least 2 of them after the age of 14, prior to the birth of her child.

State Elections in 2017: Does your state have an election coming up?

Though there is no general election this year, there are states that hold off year legislative and gubernatorial elections. There are also inevitably special elections held as individual seats open in governments around the country. Registration deadlines and eligibility to vote in state elections vary from state to state, but now is a good time to check and make sure that you are registered to vote.

This is particularly true in you are domiciled in New Jersey or Virginia, where there are gubernatorial and legislative elections scheduled for November 7.

There are also special elections planned for state offices in no less than eleven states this fall, including California, Florida, Mississippi, Washington, Oklahoma, and New Hampshire.

To check on your state's laws and register for absentee ballots visit: Visit www.fvap.gov and select your state.

If you are eligible to vote in a state-wide election this fall, you may send your completed Absentee Ballot directly to your local election officials in the United States, or you may drop it off in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, or Haifa and we will forward it to your local election officials for you. If you would like us to send it in, please remember to allow several weeks for the ballot to reach your elections officials.



Upcoming Closures			
Date	Holiday/Event	Tel Aviv Closed	Jerusalem Closed
9/13	ACS Admin Day	X	
9/21-9/22	Rosh Ha Shana	X	X
9/28	ACS Admin Day		X
10/5	Succot	X	X
10/9	Columbus Day	X	X
10/12	Simhat Torah	X	
10/24	Beit Shemesh Roadshow	X	
10/25	ACS Admin Day	X	
10/26	ACS Admin Day		X
11/6	Training Day	X	
11/7	Training Day		X
11/10	Veteran's Day	X	X
11/23	Thanksgiving Day	X	X