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CAMEROONIAN TRAVEL DOCUMENT (LAISSEZ-PASSER)

The Embassy of Cameroon in the United States (Washington, DC) issues **Travel Documents** or **Laissez-Passer** to **eligible Cameroonian citizens** traveling to Cameroon, but who do not possess a valid passport. This "pass" enables prospective travelers whose passport is expired, damaged, or lost/stolen to be granted entry by immigration authorities at Cameroonian ports of entry. Applicants must reside in the area of jurisdiction of the Embassy of Cameroon in Washington, D.C.: the UNITED STATES of AMERICA, MEXICO, COSTA RICA, and the COMMONWEALTH of the BAHAMAS.

A Cameroonian Travel Document can be used for a one-way trip to Cameroon ONLY. **It ceases to be valid as of the entry in Cameroon**, where it is retained by the Border Police Authorities as its bearer is granted admission into the country.

(1) PROCESSING TIME: Approximately SEVEN (07) business days, excluding weekends and public holidays, starting on the time of reception of an admissible application file. Travelers should plan their trip accordingly and be aware that the processing time may extend over the Seven (07) business days during peak periods. **Incomplete files will be returned and will most likely experience serious delays as a result.**
Recommendation: APPLY EARLY! APPLY ONCE! Make sure you submit a complete/admissible file by carefully reviewing the information below.

(2) APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Applications must be submitted BY MAIL ONLY no more than 90 days before the expected date of arrival in Cameroon. The travel document will also be mailed back to the beneficiary once ready. Follow the steps (a), (b) and (c) below:

(a) FILL-OUT HIS SECTION: Applicant's Full Name:_____ **Phone #:**_____

Please acknowledge that you have read these requirements entirely by signing here:_____ Date:_____

(b) WHAT ARE THE DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT? Be advised that Incomplete applications will be returned and experience significant delays.

1. **One printed copy of the present form with section (2)(a) above filled out, as cover page for your application file.**
2. **The current or expired passport; if an original passport is not available, photocopies are acceptable.**
3. **Two (02) copies travel document application forms filled out, dated and signed [DO NOT FORGET TO SIGN AND DATE YOUR FORMS].**
4. **Two (02) recent (less than 3 months old) identical passport-size color photos with white background:** Natural facial expression (mouth closed, no smiling or frowning); forehead and both ears clearly visible; Eyeglasses, face covering, headscarves or other accessories prohibited.
5. **Vaccination certificate showing proof of yellow fever immunization (***this is not required for infants under 1 year old***):** or **an exemption letter from a doctor** if you cannot receive the yellow fever vaccination due to a medical contraindication.
6. **Copy of documents showing your residency status in the US or in your country of residence: Photocopy (front and back) of the green card or the work permit |** For international students: **Copy of the most recent form I-20**, and a **Letter from the International Students' Office of the school confirming that the student's F-1 status is active |** For other cases: Copies of any available immigration notices/documents.
7. **Processing Fees: A $136.37 POSTAL MONEY ORDER payable to "Embassy of Cameroon". Please fill out the money order accurately.**
8. **Photocopy of the applicant's Cameroonian National Identity Card AND/OR Photocopy of the Cameroonian Birth Certificate.**
9. **Photocopy of the applicant's U.S. issued driver's license or state I.D. if available;**
10. **Copy of flight/trip reservation from airline or travel agency confirming the trip itinerary to Cameroon.** Please take note of the following:
    - Travelers are advised to make only a reservation and not to purchase their ticket until the travel document is issued.
    - **Modification of travel itinerary:** A Travel Document will be accepted by the airline only for the travel details mentioned on the itinerary. If the trip itinerary is modified, the traveler must apply for a new travel document which requires a new payment of fees. In this case, **as part of the new application, *the original of the previously issued travel document must be surrendered to the Embassy.***
11. **Travel Documents for minors (Under 21 years old):** For minors, the following is required **in addition to previous requirements**:
    - **The application forms must be signed by a parent or a legal guardian** and the nature of the relationship between the under-aged applicant and the signatory must be specified in parenthesis (Example: *father, mother, or legal guardian*); if the child is under the care of a legal guardian, **photocopies** of any documents assigning guardianship must be provided.
    - **Photocopy of the child's birth certificate and of the parents/guardians' passports.**
    - **Notarized letter of support signed by both parents/legal guardians agreeing with the trip and specifying who is traveling with the child**. ***Parent/legal guardians who are in Cameroon*** must provide **a parental authorization legalized by the Police** along with a **certified copy of their valid national identity card OR of the identification page of their valid Cameroonian passport.**
    - ***Parent/legal guardians who are neither in Cameroon nor in the United States*** must legalize the parental authorization at the nearest Cameroonian Embassy/Consulate, and provide a certified copy of the identification page of their Cameroonian passport.
12. **For married women, a photocopy of their marriage certificate.**
13. **For any application, any additional document(s) deemed necessary for the processing of the request.**

(c) HOW AND WHERE TO MAIL THE APPLICATION FILE?: 2 prepaid envelopes (**Use FedEx, UPS or USPS**) with tracking must be prepared:
The first envelope must be addressed from you (the applicant) to the Embassy and you will use it to mail your application file to the Embassy at:

EMBASSY OF CAMEROON – Attn: CONSULAR SECTION – TRAVEL DOCUMENT
2349 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20008

The second prepaid envelope, addressed from the Embassy back to you, will be used to send you the document issued at the end of the process.
Please take extra care in making sure that the return envelope is prepaid, has a tracking number and is addressed correctly.

(3) QUESTIONS? Send your inquiry/question by email to cs@cameroonembassyusa.org. Start the subject line of your email with the words "**Travel Document/Laissez-Passer**". In the body of the message, describe the problem/issue/question that you are inquiring about and **always include a phone number where you can be reached**. We will reply as soon as possible.

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DEMANDE DE «LAISSEZ-PASSER» ou SAUF-CONDUIT
APPLICATION FOR TRAVEL DOCUMENT

ECRIRE EN LETTRES MAJUSCULES SEULEMENT AVEC UN STYLO A ENCRE NOIRE OU BLEU
WRITE IN CAPITAL LETTERS ONLY WITH A BLACK OR BLUE INK PEN

Je Soussigné(e)
I, the Undersigned

Nom de Famille
Surname_____
Prénom(s)
Given name(s)_____
Date de Naissance *Date of Birth*_____ Lieu de Naissance *Place of Birth*_____ Sexe ☐ M (*) *Gender* ☐ F **PHOTO**
Nom du Père sur l'Acte de Naissance
*Father's Name on Birth Certificate*_____
Nom de la Mère sur l'Acte de Naissance
*Mother's Name on Birth Certificate*_____
Profession du Demandeur *Applicant's Profession*_____ Employeur *Employer*_____
Adresse du Domicile *Home Address*_____ N° Apt *Apt N°*_____
Ville *City*_____ Etat *State*_____ Code Postal *Zip Code*_____ Pays *Country*_____
Adresse Email *Email Address*_____ Numéro de Tel. *Phone Number*_____
N° du Passeport Actuel *Current Passport N°*_____ Date de Délivrance *Date of Issue*_____ Lieu de Délivrance *Place of Issue*_____
Titulaire de la Carte Nationale d'Identité Camerounaise N° *Bearer of Cameroonian National Identification Card N°*_____ Date de Délivrance: *Date of Issue*_____
Titulaire de la Carte de Résidence N°(# d'Alien) *Bearer of Green Card N° (Alien #)*_____ Résident(e) Permanent(e) Depuis *Permanent Resident Since*_____

Ai l'honneur de solliciter la délivrance d'un sauf-conduit camerounais en ma faveur.
Have the honor to request for the issuance of a Cameroonian Travel Document in my favor.

Préciser le motif de votre requête:_____

Specify the reason for your request_____

Itinéraire de Voyage / *Travel Itinerary*

Date de Départ *Date of Departure*_____ Lieu de départ *Place of departure*_____ Lieu d'Entrée au Cameroun (*) *Place of Entry in Cameroon*

Transitant par (citer villes et pays)_____ ☐ Douala ☐ Yaounde

*Transiting Through (list cities and countries)*_____ ☐ Autre/Other:_____

Je déclare sur l'honneur n'avoir acquis aucune autre nationalité.
I declare on my honor that I have not acquired any other citizenship.

Ma signature engage ma responsabilité, et m'expose en cas de fausses déclarations à des sanctions aussi bien administratives que judiciaires.
My signature engages my responsibility and subjects me to administrative as well as legal sanctions in case of false statements.

_____ _____
Signature [DO NOT FORGET TO SIGN] **Date**

(*) Cocher la case correspondante/*Check the corresponding box*