

# VISITING MEXICO BY PRIVATE BOAT

A QUICK GUIDE TO REQUIREMENTS  
FOR PRIVATE VESSELS, OWNERS AND CREW.

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GOBIERNO DE  
**MÉXICO**

**MARINA**  
SECRETARÍA DE MARINA

**MEDIO  
AMBIENTE**  
SECRETARÍA DE MEDIO AMBIENTE  
Y RECURSOS NATURALES

**SEGOB**  
SECRETARÍA DE GOBERNACIÓN

**SHCP**  
SECRETARÍA DE HACIENDA  
Y CRÉDITO PÚBLICO

## PART 2

## CLEARING INTO MEXICO FOR THE FIRST TIME

A vessel must clear-in when entering Mexico at the first official port of entry.

The clear-in process is as follows:

- Complete the Crew List Document
- Go to the immigration office and get the Crew List properly stamped and have FMMs (Forma Migratoria Multiple) issued for all passengers
- Go to the Port Captain's Office with the completed form to pay the Clear-In Fee and have the document duly authorized and stamped. In some ports you may be required to pay a Port Use Fee with the API (Port Administrator).



**THERE ARE SEVERE PENALTIES INCLUDING INCARCERATION FOR BRINGING/POSSESSION OF ANY FIREARM/AMMUNITION IN MEXICO. YOU MUST CONTACT A MEXICAN CONSULATE BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO TRANSPORT WEAPONS INTO MEXICO. PLEASE TAKE HEED.**

## CLEARING INTO AND OUT OF PORTS WITHIN MEXICO ("CABOTAGE")

- If you are navigating from one Mexican port to another, all that you will require is that you inform the Harbor Master or marina of your arrival or departure by means of an "Aviso" [Notification].
- Depending on the Harbor Master's office, some may require a written notification, while others allow a verbal one via VHF, channel 16.
- In some ports you must pay a Port Use Fee when arriving and anchoring (if you anchor out). These fees are paid to the API (The Port Administration).

## CLEARING OUT OF MEXICO

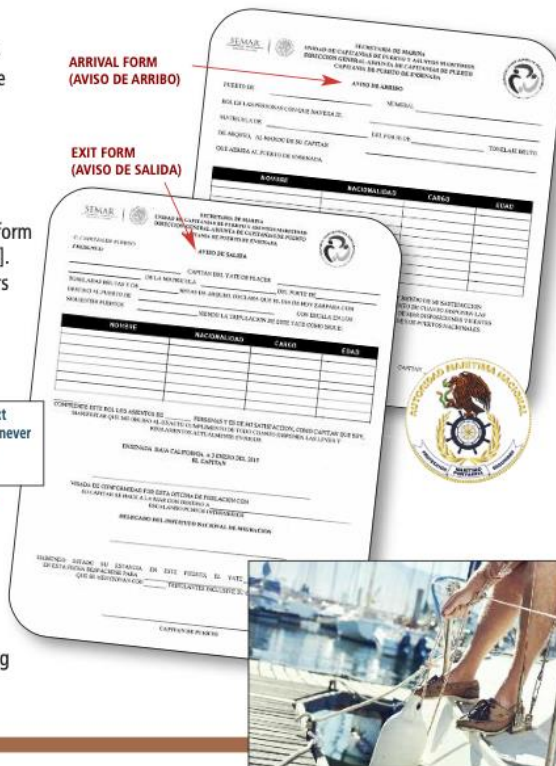
A vessel must clear-out when leaving Mexico at the last official port of exit.

**IMPORTANT:** Do not skip the clear-out process, since the next time you visit Mexico, your information may show that you never left the country and therefore you are considered to be in Mexico illegally.

**IMPORTANT:** You will also need your last exit paperwork when cancelling or renewing your TIP

The clear-out of Mexico process is as follows:

- Complete the Crew List for exiting Mexico ("Despacho", previously know as "Zarpe").
- Go to the Immigration office to get the Crew List stamped and surrender the FMM forms.
- Go to the Port Captain's office to pay the Vessel's Check-out fees and have the crew list stamped with the authorization to exit the country of Mexico. Boat Captain or Master must present proof of Competency for recreational boaters (example: Captains License, Sate Boating Card or International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft (ICC))



## VISITING THE NATIONAL PARKS OF THE BAJA CALIFORNIA PENINSULA AND POINTS SOUTH

The Reserve falls under the jurisdiction of:



If you plan to visit any of these awe-inspiring sites, you must obtain a "Conservation Passport" prior to arrival at any of the marine or land based parks. The easiest way to obtain a Conservation Passport is by downloading the app to your smart phone - search for *Pasaporte de la Conservación* and purchase the Passport; the cost at this writing is \$383 MXN per person; free for children six and under and persons with disabilities.

View & download Maps of the Protected Natural Areas in Mexico: [http://sig.conanp.gob.mx/website/pagsig/mapas\\_serie.htm](http://sig.conanp.gob.mx/website/pagsig/mapas_serie.htm)



Once you have purchased the passport simply take a screen shot; the digital shot or original must be available for inspection at any time during your visit at any of the sites. The passport may also be obtained from any ANP office or online <https://pasaportedelaconservacion.conanp.gob.mx>.

The passport is valid for one year from the date of purchase.

The proceeds from the Passport help in the preservation of these unique but fragile natural environments, as well as for the protection and economic growth of local communities. During your visit to any of these magical sites, we ask you to follow the directions and rules designed to enhance and preserve these treasures.

The Baja California Peninsula National Parks (NPA) include: Guadalupe Island, Pacific Islands of Baja California (Coronados, Todos Santos, San Martin, Cedros, Benitos, Magdalena), Revillagigedo, Valle de los Cirios, Vizcaino, Cabo San Lucas, Cabo Pulmo, Espiritu Santo, Loreto, Bahía de los Angeles, among others in Southern Mexico.

Visit <https://www.gob.mx/conanp>

Anybody interested in observing marine wild life at close range, such as whales, white sharks, whale sharks, etc., must contract an authorized and licensed service provider.





**Marina ECV— Ensenada**



**Address:** Blvd. Lázaro Cárdenas S/N, Int. Terminal de Cruceros, Ensenada, Baja California, México 22800.

**Slips:** 198. Guest Slips. Length 36'-68', end ties: 83' to 135', Mega yacht to 350'.

**Services & Amenities:** Dry storage area, launch ramp, restrooms, showers, shore power, water, dock carts, laundry, BBQ area, lounge room, 24-hour security staff, customs clearance assistance, pet friendly marina.

**General Info:** Office hours, 8:00am-6:00pm. Toll free from USA: (877)-219-5822, Direct: 011-52 (646) 173-4141  
marina.hutchinsonportsecv.com reservations@hutchinsonportsecv.com LAT 31° 50' 39" N LON 116° 38' 03" W VHF 12



**Baja Naval Boatyard & Marina — Ensenada**



**Location:** Downtown Ensenada, adjoining the mile long boardwalk along the port which makes for a marvelous afternoon walk or an excellent morning jog. Shops, excellent restaurants, hotels and bars within walking distance.

**Slips:** 50 from 30 to 75ft. 30 & 50 amp shore power, Free WIFI and free long distance phone calls to the U.S.

**Services & Amenities:** 24 hour Security, electronic gates. Full service boat yard, 70 ton Travellift. Port Clearance and immigration papers including TIP. Spotless restrooms and showers. Pump out service.

**General Info:** www.bajanaval.com. For marina contact marina@bajanaval.com or frontdesk@bajanaval.com For boatyard boatyard@bajanaval.com 31 51' 35N 116 37' 32W VHF 77



**Marina Coral Ensenada**



**Address:** Carretera Tijuana-Ensenada. Km103, Num. 3421,

Zona Playitas, Ensenada, B.C, MX 22860

**Slips:** 353, Guest Slips. Length 30'-109', End ties: 64 to 110 ft.

**Services & Amenities:** Restrooms, shore power, dock carts, snack bar, water, laundry, pump out, clubhouse, launch ramp, fuel dock (diesel and gas), restaurant and marina grill bar, free cable TV & Wi-Fi, Spa, showers, pool, tennis courts, electronic key card access and CCTV, 24 hour security staff on duty, customs clearance assistance

**General Info:** Office 8 am-7 pm. Toll free from U.S.: (866)-302-0066, Tel 01152-646-175-00-50,

Fax: 011-52 (646) 175-0058 www.hotelcoral.com marina@hotelcoral.com

LAT 31° 51' 38.59" N LON 116° 40' 36.54"W VHF 71



**ABOUT FISHING IN MEXICO**

Every vessel in Mexican waters carrying fishing gear, must obtain a sports fishing license for each person on board the vessel.

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