International Travel Thesaurus of Regulatory, Legal, and Health Considerations

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Introduction

Advances in technology and increased globalization have rendered international travel more common now than in any previous generation. Navigating the myriad of requirements is difficult enough; understanding the unique terms and concepts adds to this difficulty.

International travel can be a wonderful experience for the prepared traveler. A lack of preparation, especially with respect to regulatory, legal, and health considerations, can lead to a frustrating experience at best and a prison sentence or more at worst. This thesaurus provides a foundation for navigating resources that discuss the regulatory, legal, and health considerations of international travel.

Scope

This thesaurus focuses on aspects of international travel related to regulatory, legal, and health matters. It does not cover general travel topics, like transportation, lodging, or dining. It also does not cover the specifics of transportation; however, it is relevant for all common methods of travel transportation. The purpose of the thesaurus is to assist the intended audience in navigating the unique language associated with regulatory, legal, and health-related topics for international travel, enabling them to more easily retrieve relevant information from printed and electronic sources. The intended audience is individuals from the United States interested in traveling internationally. A secondary audience is travel professionals, who can use the thesaurus as a reference. An empirical approach was taken when developing this thesaurus, and literary warrant served as the guiding principle. The deductive method was employed initially and then the inductive method was employed during revisions (NISO, 2003). The resources used to gather the terms in this thesaurus included print and electronic publications in English with a global span and recent publication dates (2010-current). They ranged in type from travel guides

and travel weblogs to government tourism office websites and government health and welfare websites. Although the focus of the resources was primarily leisure travel, there was significant overlap with travel for business and other purposes. The initial version of the thesaurus was last updated on September 6, 2012, and has a total of 79 terms (63 descriptors and 16 entry terms).

Legend of Thesaurus Abbreviations & Conventions

The following abbreviations and conventions are based on the National Information Standards Organization (NISO) Standard Z39.19-2003, Guidelines for the Construction, Format, and Management of Monolingual Thesauri (NISO, 2003).

Abbreviations

- BT = Broader Term. A descriptor to which another descriptor or multiple descriptors are subordinate in a hierarchy. The reciprocal of NT.
- NT = Narrower Term. A descriptor that is subordinate to another descriptor or to multiple descriptors in a hierarchy. The reciprocal of BT.
- RT = Related Term. A descriptor that is associatively but not hierarchically linked to another descriptor in a thesaurus.
- SN = Scope Note. A note following a descriptor explaining its coverage, specialized usage, or rules for assigning it.
- U = Use. An indicator that leads from a non-preferred term (entry term) to the preferred term (descriptor). The reciprocal of UF.
- UF = Used For. An indicator that leads from the preferred term (descriptor) to a nonpreferred term (entry term). The reciprocal of U.

Conventions

Facets and node labels appear in *italics* and are enclosed in <angle brackets>.

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Descriptors are in **bold type**.

Entry terms are in regular type.

Examples

dual citizenship

SN Having rights, privileges, and responsibilities of a native or naturalized member of two countries.

UF dual nationality

BT citizenship

Alphabetical display record for the descriptor 'dual citizenship.' It contains a scope note (SN), a used for reference (UF), and a broader term (BT). The UF is not bold because it is an entry term. The BT is bold because it is a descriptor.

dual nationality

U dual citizenship

Alphabetical display record for the entry term 'dual nationality.' It only contains a use reference (U) because it is an entry term. The entry term is not bold, but the U is bold because it is a descriptor.

immigration

SN The act of settling in a country.

BT population considerations>

NT immigration status

temporary visitors

RT border controls

immigration authorities

Alphabetical display record for the descriptor 'immigration.' It contains a scope note (SN), a broader term (BT), narrower terms (NT), and related terms (RT). The BT is in italics and

enclosed in brackets because it is a facet; a facet appears as the BT because the descriptor is at the top of the facet hierarchy. The NT and RT are in bold because they are descriptors.

<regulatory considerations>

border controls

border controls by documentation>

documentation requirements entry requirements

Excerpt from the hierarchical display. It includes a facet, 'regulatory considerations', and a node label, 'border controls by documentation;' both are in italics and enclosed in brackets.

The other three terms are descriptors, so they appear in bold. Entry terms are not displayed in the hierarchical structure.

Using the Thesaurus

The construction of the thesaurus is based on the NISO Standard Z39.19-2003, particularly the print display principles (NISO, 2003). The thesaurus is divided into two sections: a hierarchical display and an alphabetical display. The hierarchical display allows quick browsing of terms, especially facets, node labels, broader terms, and narrower terms. The alphabetical display allows a more thorough review of the full term record, which also includes scope notes, non-preferred terms, and related terms. Both of the sections are filed letter-by-letter because that is the software's (Microsoft Excel) default.

Since the audience of this thesaurus includes people that may not be familiar with the nuances of all of the term relationships, related terms within the same facet are common to provide context. The choice of preferred forms was based on what was most commonly found in the literature. For example, "Yellow Book" is the more common term (and therefore preferred) when referring to the authoritative source of United States Government recommendations for

vaccinations and prophylaxis for foreign travel, even though the publication's official title is "CDC Health Information for International Travel."

Multiword descriptors are common in this domain, but each descriptor represents a single concept. Homographs are uncommon in this domain, and any appearing would be qualified by including a clarifying term in parentheses after the descriptor.

Hierarchical Display

```
<fiscal considerations>
      currencies
      currency exchanges
      exchange rates
     exchanging
      taxes
            duty
             value added taxes
      travelers checks
<government services>
      consular officers
      consular offices
      embassies
      visitor information
<health considerations>
      evacuation insurance
      medical evacuations
      travel health insurance
      travel medicine
      vaccinations
      Yellow Book
<population considerations>
      citizenship
            citizens
            dual citizenship
            foreigners
                    immigrants
                    legal residents
     immigration
            immigration status
            temporary visitors
<regulatory considerations>
            border controls
                    <br/>
<br/>
border controls by documentation>
                           documentation requirements
                           entry requirements
                           exit requirements
                           health declaration forms
                           identification
                           immigration documentation
                           international driving permits
                           passports
                                  passport data pages
                           temporary residence permits
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tourist cards visas

multiple entry visas single entry visas

border controls by physical aspect>

borders

immigration authorities

ports of entry

der controls by process>

entry screenings exit screenings

repatriation

traveler health screenings Trusted Traveler programs

Smart Traveler Enrollment Program

customs

<customs by documentation>

customs declaration forms

tariffs

<customs by physical aspect>

customs officers

customs offices

goods and merchandise

<customs by process>

customs inspections

exporting

importing

<types of tourism>

ecotourism medical tourism voluntourism

Alphabetical Display

border controls

SN The processes and procedures to secure a country's **borders** from illegal and unwanted activities.

BT < regulatory considerations>

NT borders

documentation requirements

entry requirements entry screenings exit requirements

exit screenings

health declaration forms

identification

immigration authorities immigration documentation

international driving permits

passports ports of entry repatriation

temporary residence permits

tourist cards

traveler health screenings Trusted Traveler programs

visas

RT customs

customs inspections customs offices immigration

borders

SN A line that separates one country, state, province, *etc.*, from another.

BT border controls
RT entry screenings
exit screenings

CDC Health Information for International Travel

U Yellow Book

citizens

SN A native or naturalized member of a state or nation who owes allegiance to its government and is entitled to its protection.

UF locals nationals

BT citizenship

RT consular offices

foreigners legal residents passports Smart Traveler Enrollment Program temporary visitors

citizenship

SN Having rights, privileges, and responsibilities of a native or naturalized member of a country.

BT <population considerations>

NT citizens

dual citizenship

foreigners

RT passports

consular officers

SN A government official who conducts consular affairs and often works in **consular offices**.

BT < government services>

RT consular offices

consular offices

SN The official office appointed by the government of one country to look after its commercial interests and the welfare of its **citizens** in another country.

UF consulate

BT < government services>

RT citizens

consular officers

Smart Traveler Enrollment Program

consulate

U consular offices

currencies

SN A medium of exchange and form of payment. It can vary from country to country.

BT < fiscal considerations>

RT currency exchanges

customs declaration forms

exchange rates

exchanging

travelers checks

currency exchanges

SN A facility in which the prevailing **currency** of a country is distributed for another form of payment or another **currency**.

BT <fiscal considerations>

RT currencies

exchange rates exchanging

currency rates

U exchange rates

customs

SN The rules and regulations related to imports and exports.

BT < regulatory considerations>

NT customs declaration forms

customs inspections customs officers customs offices

exporting

goods and merchandise

importing tariffs

RT border controls

duty

customs declaration forms

SN A document displaying statements of fact by the person who completed it. It is used in conjunction with **customs inspections**.

BT customs

RT currencies

customs inspections exit requirements goods and merchandise health declaration forms

customs inspections

SN A visual review of goods and forms by government authorities in charge of **customs** and **border controls**.

BT customs

RT border controls

customs declaration forms

customs officers customs offices

customs officers

SN A government official charged with enforcing customs regulations and laws.

BT customs

RT customs inspections

customs offices ports of entry

customs offices

SN A place of official business of government authorities in charge of **customs** and **border controls**.

BT customs

RT border controls

customs inspections customs officers ports of entry

documentation requirements

SN The rules and regulations that one country requires with respect to **identification** and authorizations for visitors entering or leaving that country.

BT **border controls**

RT entry requirements

exit requirements

identification

international driving permits

dual citizenship

SN Having rights, privileges, and responsibilities of a native or naturalized member of two countries.

UF dual nationality

BT citizenship

dual nationality

U dual citizenship

duty

SN A specific or ad valorem tax imposed by law on the import or export of merchandise.

BT taxes

RT customs

exporting

goods and merchandise

importing

tariffs

ecotourism

SN Tourism to places having unspoiled natural resources, with minimal impact on the environment being a primary concern.

BT <types of tourism>

embassies

SN A place of official business of the resident representative sent by one country to another.

BT < government services>

RT Smart Traveler Enrollment Program

visas

entry requirements

- SN The rules and regulations that one country requires of visitors entering from other countries.
- BT **border controls**
- **RT** documentation requirements

entry screenings

health declaration forms

entry screenings

- SN A screening performed on a person at a **port of entry** or **border** prior to entering a country in an attempt to detect illegal or unsafe conditions.
- BT **border controls**
- RT borders

entry requirements

ports of entry

traveler health screenings

evacuation insurance

- SN A type of insurance that arranges for emergency medical transport out of a country, including repatriation assistance and reimbursement or payment for the services.
- BT < health considerations>
- **RT** medical evacuations

travel health insurance

exchange rates

- SN A ratio at which a unit of the **currency** of one country can be exchanged for that of another country.
- UF currency rates
- BT < fiscal considerations>
- RT currencies

currency exchanges

exchanging

- SN The act of trading one country's **currency** for that of another country.
- BT <fiscal considerations>
- RT currencies

currency exchanges

exit requirements

- SN The rules and regulations that one country requires of visitors when they exit the country.
- BT border controls
- **RT** customs declaration forms

documentation requirements

exit screenings

exit screenings

SN A screening performed on a person at a **port of entry** or **border** prior to leaving a country in an attempt to detect illegal or unsafe conditions.

BT **border controls**

RT borders

exit requirements ports of entry repatriation

traveler health screenings

exporting

SN The act of sending or transmitting merchandise to other countries for sale, exchange, etc.

BT customs

RT duty

goods and merchandise

importing tariffs

foreigners

SN A person not native to or naturalized in the country or jurisdiction under consideration.

BT citizenship NT immigrants

legal residents

RT citizens

goods

U goods and merchandise

goods and merchandise

SN The manufactured commodities bought and sold in any business.

UF goods

merchandise

BT customs

RT customs declaration forms

duty exporting importing tariffs

value added taxes

health declaration forms

SN A form often considered a legal, signed document, similar to a **customs declaration form**, that is used by customs or health officials at **ports of entry** to gather information related to a traveler's health, prior itinerary, and exposure to infection.

BT border controls

RT customs declaration forms entry requirements ports of entry traveler health screenings

health tourism

U medical tourism

identification

SN A physical item accepted by government authorities to confirm identity, usually in the form of a photograph.

BT border controls

RT documentation requirements

immigrants

SN A person who migrates to another country, usually for permanent residence.

BT foreigners

RT immigration status

immigration

SN The act of settling in a country.

BT population considerations>

NT immigration status

temporary visitors

RT border controls

immigration authorities

immigration authorities

SN The government entities and officials who enforce a country's immigration laws.

BT border controls

RT immigration

tourist cards

immigration documentation

SN A physical item accepted by government authorities to confirm **immigration status**.

BT border controls

RT immigration status

immigration status

SN The legal permission to remain in a country under specific conditions as defined by a **visa** document.

BT immigration

RT immigrants

immigration documentation

visas

immunizations

U vaccinations

importing

SN The act of bringing in merchandise from other countries for sale, use, processing, etc.

BT customs

RT duty

exporting

goods and merchandise

tariffs

international driving permits

SN A document that functions as an official translation of a United States driver's license into 10 foreign languages. It is accepted in over 150 countries.

BT border controls

RT documentation requirements

legal residents

SN A person who has been granted a legal right to remain in a country even though he/she is not a **citizen** of that country.

BT foreigners RT citizens

locals

U citizens

medical evacuations

SN The process of transporting a person who requires immediate or serious medical attention out of a country.

BT < health considerations>
RT evacuation insurance

medical tourism

SN Tourism for the purpose of receiving medical treatment or improving health or fitness.

UF health tourism

BT <types of tourism>

merchandise

U goods and merchandise

multiple entry visas

SN A type of **visa** that allows the recipient to enter and leave a country more than once without having to obtain a new **visa**.

BT visas

nationals

U citizens

passport data pages

SN The pages usually located at the front of a **passport** that contain information about the individual, including photograph, full name, and date of birth, as well as information about the passport validity, including issuance date and location and expiration date.

BT passports

passports

SN An official document issued by the government of a country to one of its **citizens**, authorizing travel to other countries and authenticating the bearer's identity, **citizenship**, right to protection while abroad, and right to reenter his or her native country.

BT **border controls**

NT passport data pages

RT citizens citizenship

visas

ports of entry

SN An airport, harbor, *etc.*, where **customs officers** are stationed to supervise the entry into and exit from a country of persons and merchandise. Prepositional form is preferred because it is the most common form used in the literature.

BT **border controls**

RT customs officers

customs offices

entry screenings

exit screenings

health declaration forms

temporary residence permits

tourist cards

traveler health screenings

repatriation

SN The act of returning to one's own country.

BT border controls

RT exit screenings

single entry visas

SN A type of **visa** that allows the recipient to enter and leave a country once.

BT visas

Smart Traveler Enrollment Program

SN A program provided by the United States Government to its **citizens** who are traveling to, or living in, a foreign country. It allows the citizen to enter information about upcoming trips abroad so that the Department of State can better assist in an emergency and can provide routine information from the nearest United States **embassy** or **consular office**.

UF STEP

BT Trusted Traveler programs

RT citizens

consular offices embassies

STEP

U Smart Traveler Enrollment Program

tariffs

SN An official list of **duties** or **customs** imposed by a government on imports and exports.

BT customs

RT duty

exporting

goods and merchandise

importing

taxes

SN The money required by a government for its support or for specific facilities or services. Usually levied upon incomes, property, sales, *etc*.

BT <fiscal considerations>

NT duty

value added taxes

temporary residence permits

SN A document that can be issued to a person who does not meet the requirements for permanent resident or temporary resident **visas** or who was denied entry at a **port of entry**. Usually requires a compelling reason to allow a person who does not meet the other requirements to enter or remain in the country.

BT border controls

RT ports of entry

temporary visitors

visas

temporary visitors

SN The **citizens** of one country who come to another country temporarily for a wide variety of reasons, including tourism, business, medical treatment and certain types of temporary work.

BT immigration

RT citizens

temporary residence permits

tourism information offices

U visitor information

tourist cards

SN A document provided by airlines or **immigration authorities** at a country's **port of entry**. It must be surrendered upon departure; otherwise, a fine and other possible penalties are imposed.

UF Tourist Migration Forms

BT border controls

RT immigration authorities ports of entry visas

Tourist Migration Forms

U tourist cards

travel health insurance

SN A type of insurance that provides a range of medical services to individuals traveling abroad. It may include arrangements with hospitals to guarantee payments directly, assistance via a 24-hour physician-backed support center, evacuation assistance, and any specific medical services that may apply to their circumstances, such as coverage of high-risk activities.

BT < health considerations>

RT evacuation insurance

travel medicine

SN An interdisciplinary specialty concerned with the prevention and management of health problems associated with travel.

BT < health considerations>

RT Yellow Book

Travel Registration

U Trusted Traveler programs

traveler health screenings

SN A process in place at international **ports of entry** into most countries. Screenings often consist of visual observation, traveler health education, travel warnings, various forms (including passenger locator forms and **health declaration form**), direct questioning, and temperature check. The process can also include detention, isolation, and quarantine.

BT border controls

RT entry screenings

exit screenings

health declaration forms

ports of entry

vaccinations

travelers checks

SN A written order to a bank, internationally accepted, to pay a stated sum from the drawer's account.

UF travelers cheques

BT < fiscal considerations>

RT currencies

travelers cheques

U travelers checks

Trusted Traveler programs

SN A group of programs designed to provide expedited travel for pre-approved, low risk international travelers.

UF Travel Registration

BT border controls

NT Smart Traveler Enrollment Program

vaccinations

SN A method of protecting against disease.

UF immunizations

BT < health considerations>

RT traveler health screenings

Yellow Book

value added taxes

SN An excise tax based on the value added to a product at each stage of production or distribution.

UF VAT BT taxes

RT goods and merchandise

VAT

U value added taxes

visas

SN An endorsement made by an authorized representative of one country upon a **passport** issued by another, permitting the passport holder entry into or transit through the country making the endorsement.

BT border controls

NT multiple entry visas

single entry visas

RT embassies

immigration status

passports

temporary residence permits

tourist cards

visitor information

SN A type of facility located throughout a country that offers in-person and written guidance primarily for foreign leisure travelers.

UF tourism information offices

BT <*government services*>

voluntourism

SN Tourism in which travelers do voluntary work to help communities or the environment in the places they are visiting.

BT <types of tourism>

Yellow Book

SN A guide to the practice of **travel medicine**, as well as the authoritative source of United States Government recommendations for **vaccinations** and prophylaxis for foreign travel. The official title of the guide is "CDC Health Information for International Travel," but "Yellow Book" is the more widely-used term referring to the guide.

UF CDC Health Information for International Travel

BT < health considerations>

RT travel medicine vaccinations

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Appendix

Surrogate Records

Customs and Duty-Free Guide.

AUTHOR(S): Brown, G. S.

PUBLISHER: The Independent Traveler, Inc.

PUBLICATION DATE: n.d.

SOURCE (URL): http://www.independenttraveler.com/travel-tips/passports-and-international-

travel/customs-and-duty-free-guide

DOCUMENT TYPE: Website

LANGUAGE(S): English

ABSTRACT: IndependentTraveler.com is an interactive traveler's exchange and comprehensive

online travel guide for a community of travelers who enjoy the fun of planning their own

trips and the adventure of independent travel. It is published by The Independent

Traveler, Inc., a subsidiary of TripAdvisor LLC. Over the past 22 years,

IndependentTraveler.com has become known as an authoritative Internet resource for

objective travel information. This particular website explains what one needs to know

about duty-free purchases and declaring goods from abroad at United States Customs.

DESCRIPTORS: currencies, customs, customs declaration forms, customs offices, duty, goods

and merchandise, taxes, travelers checks

International Association for Medical Assistance to Travellers (IAMAT) Blog.

AUTHOR(S): IAMAT

PUBLISHER: IAMAT

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PUBLICATION DATE: August 2012

SOURCE (URL): http://www.iamat.org/blog/index.cfm

DOCUMENT TYPE: Weblog

LANGUAGE(S): English

ABSTRACT: A weblog focused on a variety of topics related to travel medicine and health. The

posts are authored by IAMAT staff and are usually educational in nature. They attempt

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to answer users' questions, inform users of new/revised guidelines, and provide general

information on travel medicine and health topics.

DESCRIPTORS: medical tourism, travel health insurance, travel medicine, vaccinations

International Travel and Health. Situation as on 1 January 2005.

AUTHOR(S): World Health Organization (WHO)

PUBLISHER: WHO Press

PUBLICATION DATE: 2005

SOURCE (ISBN): 1417582510

DOCUMENT TYPE: E-book

LANGUAGE(S): English

ABSTRACT: International travel is undertaken by large, and ever increasing, numbers of people

for professional, social, recreational and humanitarian purposes. More people travel

greater distances and at greater speed than ever before, and this upward trend looks set to

continue. Travelers are thus exposed to a variety of health risks in unfamiliar

environments. Most such risks, however, can be minimized by suitable precautions taken

before, during and after travel, and it is the purpose of these pages to provide guidance on

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measures to prevent or reduce any adverse consequences for travelers' health. The book is addressed primarily to medical and public health professionals who provide health advice to travelers, but it is also intended to provide guidance to travel agents and organizers, airlines and shipping companies. The recommendations address the health

DESCRIPTORS: entry requirements, health declaration forms, traveler health screenings, travel health insurance, travel medicine, vaccinations

risks associated with different types of travel and travelers.

Responsible Travel Report.

AUTHOR(S): Sustainable Travel International

PUBLISHER: Sustainable Travel International

PUBLICATION DATE: August 2012

SOURCE (URL): http://www.responsibletravelreport.com/

DOCUMENT TYPE: Electronic magazine

LANGUAGE(S): English

ABSTRACT: Sustainable Travel International's mission is to help destinations, businesses, and travelers develop and implement innovative solutions that protect the environment, support adaptation to climate change, preserve cultural heritage, and generate economic benefits. *Responsible Travel Report* is the online magazine of Sustainable Travel International.

DESCRIPTORS: ecotourism, voluntourism

Study Abroad Resources - ISA.

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AUTHOR(S): International Studies Abroad Inc. (ISA)

PUBLISHER: ISA

PUBLICATION DATE: n.d.

SOURCE (URL): http://studiesabroad.com/resources/?url=resources

DOCUMENT TYPE: Website

LANGUAGE(S): English

ABSTRACT: ISA's mission is to provide high quality education abroad opportunities to

American and Canadian college students at an affordable price. The programs are

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designed to maximize participants' learning abroad, and ISA understands that most

college students need support and expert guidance before, during and after their time

abroad. The resources listed on this page will be very helpful in preparing for a study

abroad experience. The websites found under each subject heading are not directly

affiliated with ISA, but offer great information that ISA students have found useful in the

past. Although there are many other sources of information that may aid in preparing for

a study abroad experience, this list will give a point in the right direction.

DESCRIPTORS: consular offices, currency exchanges, embassies, passports, travel medicine,

vaccinations, visas

Academic Honesty Statement

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- I have not quoted the words of any other person from a printed source or a website without indicating what has been quoted and providing an appropriate citation.
- I have not submitted this paper / project to satisfy the requirements of any other course.

Signature Valerie Florez

Date <u>09/06/2012</u>
