



REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IMMIGRATION

MEDIA RELEASE

Travelling to and from Namibia with children

Due to the increasing incidents and threats of child trafficking and to assist travellers to meet requirements of the laws of Namibia and some countries of their destinations, the Ministry of Home Affairs and Immigration as per the Regulations 7 of the Immigration Control Acts 7 of 1993, strongly advises travelers as follows:

1. Parents travelling with children under the age of 18 should in addition to their passports, carry full birth certificate.
2. Adults travelling with children that are not their biological children are advised to provide an affidavit from the child's biological parents or legal guardians that the child is traveling with consent of the biological parents and legal guardians internationally; and have contact details of the biological parents or legal guardian of the child..
3. If a child is travelling with only one parent, the other parent (registered as a parent of the child on the birth certificate) must provide consent for the child to travel with the other parent.
4. Where applicable, provide a copy of a death certificate of the other parent registered as a parent of the child on the birth certificate.
5. Any unaccompanied minor shall produce proof of consent from one of or both his or her parents or legal guardian, as the case may be, in the form of a letter or affidavit for the child to travel; a letter from the person who is to receive the child; containing his or her residential address and contact details where the child will be residing; a copy of the identity document or valid passport and visa or permanent residence permit of the person who is to receive the child; and the contact details of the parents or legal guardian of the child.

Although the implementation check is sometimes done on risk approach basis, it is strongly advised to comply with the above requirements to avoid any travelling inconveniences.

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