NYC Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs



Supreme Court's Travel Ban Decision





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What did the Supreme Court say about President Trump's Travel Ban?

On June 26, 2018, the U.S. Supreme Court held that President Trump's third travel ban, issued on September 24, 2017, was not unconstitutional. This ban applied travel restrictions by barring visa issuance to certain people from eight countries, subject to certain exceptions. On April 10, 2018, the White House announced that it would lift travel restrictions on nationals of Chad, bringing the list of countries impacted by the new Travel Ban to seven:





Libya



Somalia









North Venezuela Korea



I have legal questions about what the travel ban means. How can I get immigration help?

Some categories of people are exempt from the Travel Ban. Any New Yorker with questions on how the Travel Ban could impact them or their loved ones should consult with a trusted legal advisor.

- If you are concerned about how the travel ban may affect you or your family members, call 311 and say "ActionNYC" for free and safe immigration legal help.
- Beware of unlicensed immigration service providers who take advantage of their customers. Get help only from a trusted, licensed attorney or an accredited representative. For questions about this, or to report fraud, call the New York State New Americans Hotline at 1-800-566-7636 between 9am-8pm, on Monday through Friday, or call 311.



Free City Resources

- **Stay Informed:** Visit nyc.gov/travelban for the latest information on the travel ban.
- Protection from Discrimination: New Yorkers also have the right to be free from unlawful discrimination, retaliation, and harassment in the workplace, housing, and public places. To file a complaint or learn more, call 311 and say "human rights" or call the NYC Commission on Human Rights at (718) 722-3131.
- Care for Your Mental Health and Wellness: NYC Well can connect you to free and confidential mental health services in more than 200 languages. Call 1-888-NYC-WELL, text "WELL" to 65173, or visit www.nyc.gov/nycwell



What is the current status of refugee admissions?

On October 24, 2017, the Trump Administration issued an executive order that resumed the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program, after it had been suspended by the first two travel bans. However several new limitations apply:

- The President has capped the maximum number of refugees who may be admitted to the United States this fiscal year at 45,000 people, a historically low number
- Refugees are being admitted to the country at an even slower rate than this cap permits. If the current pace of admissions continues, the United States could admit fewer than half of the refugees who could be admitted under the cap.
- Additionally, very few refugees from the countries named in the third Travel Ban are being admitted as refugees.

What are the Travel Ban restrictions for each of the designated countries?

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Generally, nationals of the seven impacted countries who are not subject to an exemption or a waiver are subject to the limitations listed below:

- Iran: Immigrant Visas: All suspended. Non-immigrant Visas: Generally suspended, except for student (F and M) and exchange visitor (J) visa holders may be admitted, subject to enhanced screening and vetting.
- **Libya:** Immigrant Visas: All suspended. Non-immigrant Visas: B-1, B-2, and B-1/B-2 business and tourist visitors suspended.
- North Korea: Immigrant Visas: All suspended. Non-immigrant Visas: All suspended.
- Syria: Immigrant Visas: All suspended. Non-immigrant Visas: All suspended.
- Venezuela: Immigrant Visas: May be subject to "additional scrutiny." Non-immigrant Visas: B1, B2, and B1/B2 visas for certain government officials and their immediate family members are suspended. Other nonimmigrants may be admitted subject to additional measures.
- **Somalia:** Immigrant Visas: All suspended. Non-immigrant Visas: May be admitted, subject to additional scrutiny.
- **Yemen:** Immigrant Visas: All suspended. Non-immigrant Visas: B-1, B-2, and B-1/B-2 business and tourist visitors suspended.

Take Action

Now only Congress can stop Trump's Muslim ban. If this issue is important to you, call your congressional representatives to make your voice heard: (202) 224-3121.

