

Information to all countries



This leaflet contains information to make your stay in the Netherlands as pleasant as possible. In many cases a national pasport, that is not more than five years out of date, will be sufficient for entering the Netherlands. Per person you can import free to the Netherlands:

300 cigarettes/75 cigars; 1,5 litre alcohol 22%/3 litre wine; 1000 gram coffee and 200 gram tea; other foods (souvenirs etc.) f 900,--. The import of meat (products), fruit, plants, flowers and protected animals is forbidden. For non residents of the Netherlands there are no restrictions regarding the import or export of currency.



The Netherlands

Area	: 42.000 km2
Capital	: Amsterdam
Inhabitants	: ± 14.500.00
Tem. Juni/July	: 16° C/60° F
Exhibition place	: RAI (Amstel-, Europe-, North
	and Easthall)























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Medical care

Tourists and their families covered by insurance in their home country (with the exception of private patients) have the right to medical assistance in Holland in accordance with the Dutch Health Service Law when:

- the originate from a country with which Holland has concluded an international reciprocal agreement on the subject;

 care cannot be delayed until the subject returns to his own country;

- an international insurance form (or copy) is given to the doctor, chemist of hospital.

It is important that the treatment costs are setteled directly between the doctor, chemist, or hospital on the one hand and the foreign department of the ANOZ Health Service, based in Utrecht, on the other. It is advisable to make serveral copies of the insurance policy in advance so that the patient can hand it over immediately and usually prevent direct payment. Holland has concluded reciprocal agreements regarding health care wit the following countries: * EEG countries: insurance form E110, E111, E112.

- * Austria: 0/NL111 of 0/NL112.
- * Sweden: SV/N111.

The costs of transporting patients to and from The Netherlands is not the responsibility of the Dutch Health Service (ANOZ). Tourists who come from a country with which The Netherlands does not have an international agreement are highly urged to take out a good travel insurance policy in their own country before departure. Those who use medicines are advised to bring a prescription written in Latin with them.

No vaccinations are required for entry into Holland.



To help us to take as much care as possible to your health. Please fill in the medical information card that is handed separate to you. In the hotels and the exhibition halls First Aid Help is available.

Security

The citizens of Amsterdam welcomes you to the city. Amsterdam is a big town, with about 750.000 inabitants, and founded in 1277.

There are a lot of pleasant things you can do during your stay, besides the excursions the organisation of the Dutch IVTC is offering you. Unfortunately crime is part of the scene in every big town, and Amsterdam is no exception.

The avoid troubles, we herewith give you some advices:

* Do not leave money, valuable papers or jewellry unattended; better deposit these at the reception desk or hotelsafe.

* Be careful at busy places. Do not give the thieves a chance and take the necessary precautions.

* Do not bear much money with you.

* Do not play 'one-ball-game'. There is a piece of cloth on the street. Flashing hands move three cups and one ball. The stake is hundred guilders ore more. You'll never win!!! Don't even stop and watch.

* When you leave your hotel for a walk, always go as a group.

* Take one or two coins '25 ct' in your

pocket. From every telephonebox you can dial 06-11 when you are in real trouble.

* At every hoteldesk there are leaflets with the adress and telephonenumber of the hotel. Hand it over to a taxidriver and he will bring you safely home.

As said before, there are a lot of pleasant things to do. Ask at the receptiondesks of the hotel or our events-manager. We wish you an agreeable stay.

Security during the competition.

All delegates, experts, competitors and guests will get a badge, with different colours.

These colours indicate the (un)-authorized entrance to entrance to the several IVTClocations (secretary, translationrooms, workshops a.s.o.)



Useful hints General Church services

Holland recognises many religious denominations. Church services are held at several times (Saturday nights, Sunday mornings) but these can differ from place to place. During the weekend in large towns church services are often held in foreign languages. Information can be obtained at the local VVV office.

Telephone calls

Telephone calls alroad from Holland can be made from telephone kiosks or from post offices. Phoning from a hotel can be three times more expensive. Calls are made by dialling the international code first (09), and after the dialling tone, the country code followed by the area code minus the '0' and then the subscribers number. The average cost per minute: in Europe + f 10,--, and outside Europe + f 4,--.

Postage rates

Europe:

Letters up to 20 g Inland/CEPT countries* f 0,75

other European countries f 1,--Postcards and picture postcards, unfolded, without Inland/ envelope CEPT countries* f 0,55 other European countries f 0,75

* Europe (including Turkey), with the exception of Albania, Bulgaria, G.D.R., Hungary, Poland, Romania, USSR and Czechoslovakia.

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Letters and picture postcards by airmail to:

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0-10 g 10-20 g Netherlands Antilles/ Aruba f1,20 f1,40 f0,55 Other non European conties f1,30 f1,50 f0,78

Serive Charges and Tips

When paying the bill the amount

is shown inclusive of service charge and VAT/TAX. An extra tip can be left for extra attention or service, the amount depending on the bill or the kind of service given. However, this is by no means compulsory or necessary.

Voltage

In the Netherlands the electric power grid operates at 220 volts.

Transport

Bus, tram and underground.

Bus stops are generally situated close to the railways stations to provice transport to surrounding nearby villages and towns. In the towns public transportion consists of the town bus service and trams and in Amsterdam and Rotterdam the underground. Tram no. 4 will bring you from the RAI exhibition halls directly to the centre (last stop).

National 'strip' ticket

The whole of Holland has been divided into zones as far in terms of public transport. The 'strippen' ticket is valid on all buses, trams or underground and also for 2nd class rail travel within the city limits of Amsterdam, Rotterdam, The Hague, Utrecht and Zoetermeer. Using this ticket may appear confusing at first but you can always ask the driver for assistance. 15 'strip' tickets cost f 9,35 and 45 'strips' f 27,25. Tickets can also be purchased from the driver although this will prove more expensive. The number of strips required for the journey depends on the number of zones you are crossing. The ticket is stamped by the driver or by the automatic stamping machines on board.

Taxi

Taxi's are recognisable by the 'taxi' sign on top of the cars. It is customary in Holland to book a taxi by phone although they can always be hailed at any of the taxi ranks situated near hotels, stations and other such like places. The taxi meter price includes service charge. A 5 km journey in town would cost approx f 20,00. The journey from Schiphol to the centre of Amsterdam would cost approx. f 55,00. The tariff on the taxi meter includes service charge although it is customary to give an extra tip.

Currency

Current coins: stuiver (5 cents), dubbeltje (10 cents), kwartje (25 cents), guilder (100 cents), rijksdaalder (f 2,50) and five guilders. Current banknotes: f 5-, f 10-, f 25,-, f 50,-, f 100,-, f 250,- and f 1.000,-.

Prices are rounded to the nearest 5 cents, as the cent 1/100 of a guilder) has disappeared.

Currency Exchange

GWK (de Grenswisselkantoren N.V.) is a national organisation with great expertise in foreign currencies and extensive experience of coping with large groups of foreign visitors (information: 020-5690690). There are GWK branches at 35 of the most important railway stations (including Schiphol) and at the border crossings from Germany and Belgium. These branches are open for long hours 7 days a week. Branches provided a 24-hour service: Amsterdam Central Station.

In Holland you can always change money at post offices and banking institutions, which have branche offices across the country Commission can vary considerably, particularly in Amsterdam, depending on the bureau de change and the time of exchanging currency. We strongly advise you to inquire before hand with regards to the commission.

Credit cards

In Holland you will find a larger number of hotels, restaurants, shops, car rental companies and airline companies will accept an internationally recognised card.

Restaurants Tourist menu

More than 500 restaurants, alle recognisable by the blue wall plancard, serve a three course menu with a starter, main course and dessert for the set, low price of only f 19,50 (1989).

Neerlands Dis

You can recognise typically Dutch restaurants by the 'Neerlands Dis' logo, the red, white and blue souptureen. These restaurants offer typically Dutch fare in a friendly atmosphere at a reasonable price. An excellent opportunity to discover Dutch cuisine such as asparagus with ham, smoked eel, brown beans and bacon, and 'Boerenmeisjes', farm girls pudding with cream, all made according to delicious, traditional recipes.

Alliance Gastronomique Néerlandaise

Holland also boasts restaurants affiliated to the 'Alliance Gastronomique Néerlandaise'. They represent the type of restaurant you want to linger in and where you can expect a high level of culinary skills. Kitchen with usually close at 10

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