

# Newsletter **GPA**

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## Resolution 3167 of 2019 of Migración Colombia Migratory Control – Permits to enter and stay in Colombia



The Resolution 3167 of 2019 of Migración Colombia established the new protocol for the entry and exit from Colombian territory for national and foreign visitors, besides the mechanisms and regulations for migratory control with significant changes that will facilitate the compliance of these procedures. Next, we include the main changes:

### 1. Permits to enter and stay in Colombia

PERMIT	PERMITTED ACTIVITIES	DAYS OF PERMIT
<b>Tourism Permit (TP)</b>	Rest	90
	Medical treatment	90
	To participate or assist to cultural, scientific, sports events or conventions	90
	Tourism groups on transit by sea	Time of the journey at sea
	Business	90

<b>Permit for Integration and Development (PID)</b>	Agreements or Cooperation Treaties	90	
	Personal dealings: judicial and administrative subpoenas, refugee procedures, interviews or to participate in a selection process	90	
	Relevance for the Government or its institutions: Activities for consolidating the peace process and other issues	90	
	To assist in non-official academic programs or to train in an art or craft	90	
	Speaker, teacher or investigators in activities planned by an educational or business organization, etc.	90	
	To perform journalistic activities	90	
	For urgency matters	15	
	To perform official or service commission activities	0	
<b>Permit for Other Activities (POA)</b>	Technical assistance	30	
	To perform artists shows	Duration of the event	
	For temporary transit to boarding and international means of transit	15	
	International means of transit crew	Shore pass	15
		Crewmember	10
Terrestrial crewmember CAN		30	

- Reduction in types of permits from ten (10) to three (3) will facilitate the immigration checkpoints for foreigners on their entry to Colombian territory, also the Migración Colombia's officers' duties will be easier.
- At the same time, the mistakes in the stamp of the permits to foreigners to enter and stay in Colombia will be reduced. These mistakes implied a cumbersome process because the foreigner had to ask the correction via the right of petition (in Spanish "Derecho de Petición"), which answer would take up to 15 business days to stamp a new permit in the travel document.

## 2. Border Area Mobility Card

- The Border Area Mobility Card (in Spanish "Tarjeta de Movilidad Fronteriza"), is geared to the nationals of neighboring countries that require to enter to the Colombian border zone for everyday activities but do not want to establish permanently in the country (pendular migration).
- To obtain a Border Area Mobility Card, it is necessary to pre-register on the Migración Colombia web site, including biographical and demographic information.
- To enter Colombian territory, the foreigner must show his official identity card together with the Border Area Mobility Card.
- The Border Area Mobility Card will be valid for two (2) years from the date to its register or expedition.
- The Border Area Mobility Card in any case: (i) replaces the official identity card; (ii) equates to a temporary or business visa, or permanent residence in the Colombian State; (iii) constitutes work permit; (iv) empowers its holders to travel to different places from the determined border zone; or (v) recognizes domicile in the Colombian territory.

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