

FMM & Land Border Entry Checklist

Crossing into Mexico by land the right way

Before the border

- ☐ Valid passport for every traveler (including kids)
- ☐ Know your entry type: tourist (FMM) vs residency visa canje
- ☐ If driving: Mexican auto insurance purchased and printed
- ☐ Cash or card for FMM fee (~\$860 MXN) and vehicle permit if needed

At the border (INM office)

- ☐ STOP at immigration — do not just drive through
- ☐ Request your FMM (tourist card) or entry stamp for residency canje
- ☐ Verify the number of days granted — ask for 180 if touring
- ☐ Keep the stamped FMM/entry record safe for your entire stay

Vehicle (if driving beyond the border zone)

- ☐ Temporary Import Permit (TIP) at Banjercito — required outside Baja/Sonora free zones
- ☐ Vehicle title/registration in the driver's name
- ☐ TIP deposit (refundable when you exit with the vehicle)

This checklist is general guidance, not legal or immigration advice. Requirements change — verify with official sources or ask us.
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