



British Embassy
Bucharest

INFORMATION FOR BRITISH NATIONALS VISITING UNTOLD FESTIVAL

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DO'S AND DON'TS IN ROMANIA

1. TRAVEL INSURANCE: Do make sure you are fully covered for unexpected losses or expenses such as missing flights, particularly if you are travelling on 'discount tickets'. Do specify Romania in your insurance cover. Do check the travel advice for Romania in www.fco.gov.uk before you leave UK.

2. MEDICAL INSURANCE: Do make sure you are fully covered for medical treatment and medical evacuation. Romania has a reciprocal emergency health arrangement with the UK. If you're visiting Romania you should get a free European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) before leaving the UK. The EHIC isn't a substitute for medical and travel insurance, but it entitles you to state provided medical treatment that may become necessary during your trip. Any treatment provided is on the same terms as Romanian nationals. If you don't have your EHIC with you or you've lost it, you can call the Department of Health Overseas Healthcare Team (+44 191 218 1999) to get a Provisional Replacement Certificate. The EHIC won't cover medical repatriation, ongoing medical treatment or non-urgent treatment, so you should make sure you have adequate travel insurance and accessible funds to cover the cost of any medical treatment and repatriation.

If you need emergency medical assistance during your trip, dial 112 and ask for an ambulance. If you are referred to a medical facility for treatment you should contact your insurance/medical assistance company immediately.

3. PASSPORTS: Do keep a separate record of your passport details, preferably a photocopy of the details pages with next of kin contact details also. Do report a lost/stolen passport immediately to the local police. Police reports are needed to obtain a new passport. The British Embassy in Bucharest only issue Emergency Travel Documents.

4. FUNDS: RON (Romanian Leu) are the normal currency for everyday transactions in Romania. Don't attempt to change money on the street. You should only change money through official exchange offices or banks. Do declare all foreign currency above 10,000 Euro's on entry into the country. Customs officers hold declaration forms. Do use the Western Union money transfer or Moneygram, or any other, in case of loss of funds. Be prepared to pay for some types of consular assistance, e.g. issuing Emergency passports.

5. BELONGINGS/VALUABLES: Do leave passports/valuables in a safe place. Beware of bag and mobile phone snatchers especially in the camp sites, on the beach, public transport, restaurants, cafés and at the festival. Don't leave them in your car if you are driving. Do ensure you know whom to contact to obtain emergency credit cards and replacement cheques if they are stolen. Do report the loss of valuables to the local police and do obtain a report.

6. DRUGS: Don't get involved in any way with drugs. The Romanian authorities treat all drug-related offences very seriously. If you are convicted, you can expect a prison sentence.

7. VISAS/TEMPORARY RESIDENCE: You don't need a visa to enter Romania. British citizens who enter Romania have the right to stay for a period of 3 months from the date of entry. If you intend to stay for a longer period than 3 months, you can apply for a registration certificate issued by the Romanian Office for Immigration as either self-employed, an employee, self-supported, or as a student.

WHAT THE EMBASSY CAN DO:

- Issue an Emergency Travel Document;
- Provide information about transferring funds from the UK;
- Provide a list of local lawyers, clinics, translators;
- Do all we properly can to contact you within 24 hours of being told that you have been detained;
- In an emergency, contact family and friends for you, if you want.

WHAT THE EMBASSY CANNOT DO:

- Get you out of prison or interfere in criminal or civil court proceedings;
- Give you legal advice;
- Investigate a crime;
- Get you better treatment in hospital or prison than is given to local people;
- Pay any bills or give you money;
- Make travel arrangements for you or find accommodation.

PASSPORT FEE:

Emergency Travel Document, £95, currently = **635 RON**

Documents for a replacement lost/stolen passport:

- Passport application form (available at the Embassy)
- Two passport size photographs
- Evidence of travel plans e.g. e-ticket reservation
- Local police report of lost/stolen passport
- Proof of identity e.g. copy of passport, driving licence.

Note: You should keep a copy of the police report of the lost/stolen passport to passport to show the border police on exiting Romania.

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Embassy working hours from 09:00 - 16:00 Monday to Friday

British citizens in urgent need of consular assistance out of office hours should call the following telephone number: 0040 21 201 72 00

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