

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Is a visa necessary?

YES, a visa is necessary: contact the nearest Ghana Embassy in your country of residence.

Request a tourist visa. The cost will vary depending on your country of residence and length of stay.

In order to process the visa, the embassy may ask you for the following:

- 1. A valid passport
- 2. 4 Passport sized photos
- 3. Yellow fever vaccinations
- 4. Plane ticket reservations
- 5. Filled out visa application form
- 6. 2 Ghanaian references

Please be sure to apply for your visa well ahead of time as it may take up to two weeks for the embassy to process your visa.

It is recommended that you make photocopies of all your important documents (i.e. passport, plane ticket, vaccination card, insurance card etc.) and bring them to Ghana with you.

Do I need vaccinations?

YES, contact your nearest vaccination center and meet with a doctor in your country. They will tell you about the vaccinations that are required and recommended for travelling to Ghana.

Yellow fever vaccine is mandatory as well as the malaria treatment (pills). Lariam or Malarone are the only recommended anti-malaria drug for Ghana. **Melofloquine** (**Lariam**) is not recommended for people who suffer anxiety or depression.



Are there ATM machines or Western Union in Ghana? And can I use American Express travelers cheques? How do I change my money to Ghanaian currency?

YES, there are ATM's in Accra (OSU) and only visa cards can be used at cash machines. Western Union is available everywhere in the country. You can change foreign currency at the airport upon arrival and there are also forex bureaus throughout the city to change your money.

Can I do some sight seeing or combine my volunteering with a holiday?

YES, weekends are your free time: the best guidebook is Brandt's Ghana.

What should I bring as gifts for kids?

Gifts for the kids can include books, school supplies, sports equipment, musical instruments, toys. Please be aware that our policy is to share the gifts among the children as so not to encourage any rivalry, so we ask you to give the donations to the volunteer coordinator to share among the children.

What should I bring for myself?

Bring Malaria pills, mosquito net and repellent, personal towel and bed sheet, torch/flashlight, clothes for tropical weather, raincoat, bathing suit, preferred toiletries.

Will I get access to internet or telephone?

YES, there are internet cafes and communication centers all over Accra, Madina, and even the small towns. You can also buy phone cards or go to a communication center to make long distance calls.

I can't go but would like to be a virtual volunteer and help?

We welcome virtual volunteers who can do lots of very valuable fundraising work on the internet.

Do you have a question we haven't answered?

Send us an email at <u>foundation@fifisoccer.com</u> and we will get back to you as soon as possible.