

## Non-U.S. Participants

**All foreign nationals visiting General Atomics are required to show their passport at the time of check-in.**

**Due to The Department of Energy regulations all Non-U.S. Citizens are required to submit The Non-U.S. Citizen Form located at [https://diid.gat.com/ssl\\_form/nonus/](https://diid.gat.com/ssl_form/nonus/).**

## Non-U.S. Citizen Visa Information

Beginning January 12, 2009 The U.S. Department of Homeland Security instituted the Electronic System for Travel Authorization “ESTA” database under the U.S. Visa Waiver Program.

### Qualifications to Apply for an “ESTA” number

- You must hold an electronic passport with a digital chip containing biometric information, which is valid for 6 weeks from departing the U.S. You can readily identify an e-Passport, because it has a unique international symbol on the cover.



- You are not a national (born in) Iraq, Syria, Iran, or Sudan no matter what your current citizenship is.
- You must not have traveled to, or been present in, Iraq, Syria, Iran, Sudan, Libya, Somalia or Yemen on or after March 1, 2011.
- You are a national (born in) one of the “38” Visa Waiver Program Countries noted below:

Andorra	Australia	Austria	Belgium	Brunei	Chile	Czech Republic
Denmark	Estonia	Finland	France	Germany	Greece	Hungary
Iceland	Ireland	Italy	Japan	Latvia	Liechtenstein	Lithuania
Luxembourg	Malta	Monaco	Netherlands	New Zealand	Norway	Portugal
San Marino	Singapore	Slovakia	Slovenia	South Korea	Spain	Sweden
Switzerland	Tawian	United Kingdom				

## Non-Immigrants Requiring a “B” Visa

If you do not qualify for an “ESTA” number, you must obtain a “B” visa. You will be required to have a one-on-one interview at an Embassy or Consulate. General Atomics will gladly provide you a visa invitation letter, which you must present at your interview.

The letter of invitation will be provided once the [DOE Non-U.S. Citizen form](#) (not connected to the Registration form) has been submitted. After the form has been submitted an invitation letter will be sent to you as quickly as possible. The invitation letter will provide an overview of the visa process as it pertains to your situation. Due to recent changes in the visa application procedure, the processing time for a visa has increased significantly. Currently, the processing time could be as long as sixty days. **It is highly recommended you apply well in advance of your anticipated departure date.** Unfortunately, prior to applying for a “B” visa all visa applicants are required to pay a non-immigrant visa processing fee of \$160.00, which is non-refundable. Please read the U.S. Embassy website for your country well in advance of your anticipated departure date for exact details of visa processing. If you have questions regarding the visa process, you may contact Brenda Bowman, International Relations Coordinator, at [bowman@fusion.gat.com](mailto:bowman@fusion.gat.com).