

# Entry requirements

## Getting to Pakistan

There are three main international airports in the country. All three are served by direct flights of Pakistan International Airlines from Heathrow (and there are direct flights from other UK cities too). There are several Gulf carriers as well (including Etihad, Emirates, Qatar Airways,) which route their flights from the UK, through their respective hubs, to these airports. Other than these there is a scattering of other carriers, e.g. Turkish, Thai etc, which fly to one or all of the following airports:

- Quaid-e-Azam International, Karachi
- Benazir Bhutto International Airport, Islamabad
- Allama Iqbal International Airport, Lahore

All airports are within close proximity (25-45 mins drive) to their respective city's business areas. Karachi & Lahore airports are relatively newer and offer good standard of service to passengers; Islamabad airport is smaller and dated. A new Islamabad airport (Gandhara International Airport) is in the construction phase and should be open for business sometime in 2015/16.

## Travelling to and from the Airport

Pearl Continental, Avari, Marriott, Movenpick and Serena are the major hotels in Pakistan and provide a courtesy transport service to and from the airport, on request. It is recommended that you ask your hotel to arrange this service for you.

## Visas

British citizens require entry visas. As well as a single-entry business visa there is also a multiple-entry two-year visa. Latest details on the type and application requirement of Pakistani visas can be obtained from the Pakistan High Commission, London web site: [www.phclondon.org](http://www.phclondon.org)

## FCO Travel Advice

The FCO website has travel advice to help you prepare for your visits overseas and to stay safe and secure while you are there.

For advice please visit the FCO Travel section pages on the new gov.uk website: [www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice](http://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice)

## Money Affairs

There is a limit on the amount of currency that can be brought in and taken out of the country. Speak to UKTI Pakistan or your travel agent before your journey to find out the updated information.

Credit cards are becoming more widely accepted. To exchange your foreign currency it would be a good idea to do so at a local Forex dealer in the city (your host may help you with that).

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