

Professionally Designed Educational Tours

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White House Tour specifications

Identification

All guests 18 years of age or older will be required to present a valid, government-issued photo identification (detailed below). All foreign nationals must present their passport. All other forms of foreign identification will not be accepted.

All information submitted (e.g. name, date of birth, city, etc.) must exactly match the government-issued photo ID you will present when arriving at the White House.

The following forms of photo ID are acceptable for presentation to USSS upon entry to the White House complex:

- Valid government-issued United States identification card (e.g. drivers license, military ID)
- Valid United States or other official government-issued passports

No other forms of identification will be accepted; photocopies, expired IDs, or other transmissions of these documents are NOT valid.

Parking and Restrooms

On-street parking is not available near the White House, and use of public transportation is strongly encouraged.

Restrooms are located in the Ellipse Visitor Pavilion (the park area south of the White House).

Restrooms are not available at the White House.

Other Information

You will be standing outdoors while in line. Please consider the following preparations:

- Arrive **15 minutes before** your scheduled tour time; late arrivals may not be accommodated
- Eat a meal or snack prior to arrival
- Bring enough bottled water to stay hydrated while in line
- Take all prescribed medications prior to arrival
- Dress appropriately for the weather conditions

Prohibited Items

The following items are prohibited:

- Cameras or video recorders
- Handbags, purses, book bags or backpacks
- Any pointed object, including pocket knives
- Strollers and diaper bags
- Food or beverages, tobacco products, personal grooming items (i.e. makeup, lotion, etc.)
- Aerosol containers
- Guns, ammunition, fireworks, electric stun guns, mace, martial arts weapons/devices, or knives of any size

No storage facilities are available on or around the White House complex. Individuals who arrive with prohibited items will not be permitted to enter the White House.

Permitted Items

Umbrellas, wallets, cell phones (including those with cameras), and car keys are permitted. However, guests will not be allowed to use cell phones inside the White House. Phones used inside the White House may be confiscated by US Secret Service.

All items needed for medical purposes will be permitted on the tour (e.g. wheelchairs, electric scooters, glucose tablets, EpiPens, etc.).

24-hour White House Tour Hotline: 202-456-7041

www.whitehouse.gov/about/tours-and-events