



# LESOTHO



**ISO Country Code – LS**

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### Designated Authorities

#### Aeronautical Authority

Department of Civil Aviation  
P.O. Box 629  
Maseru 100  
Lesotho

AFTN: FXMMYAYX  
Telefax: (+266)22 310188  
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Commercial Telegraphic Address: CIVILAIR MASERU

Email: [director@civilair.gov.ls](mailto:director@civilair.gov.ls)

### Aeronautical Information Services (AIS)

Aeronautical Information Services  
Moshoeshoe 1 International Airport  
P.O. Box 629  
Maseru 100  
Lesotho

Tel: (+266) 22 350362, (+266) 22 350777  
Fax: (+266) 22 350012

AFTN: FXMMYNYX AND FXMMYOYX  
Telex: 4321 CVLAIR LO  
Email: [ais.hq@mia.gov.ls](mailto:ais.hq@mia.gov.ls)

#### International NOTAM Offices

Same address as above

### Lesotho Embassy to the United States

Embassy of the Kingdom of Lesotho  
2511 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC, 20008

Tel: 1-202-797-5533  
Fax: 1-202-234-6815  
Email: [lesothoembassy@verizon.net](mailto:lesothoembassy@verizon.net)

### United States Embassy to Lesotho

U.S. Embassy Maseru  
254 Kingsway Avenue  
Maseru 100, Lesotho

Tel: (266) 2231-2666  
Emergency after-hours telephone: (266) 5888-4035  
Fax: (266) 2231-0116

## Flight Information

The accuracy and currency of information contained in this guide is uncertain due to the difficulty in obtaining the information and the rapidly changing environment. Aviators should always check with a country's aviation authority or a local aviation handler to determine any specific aircraft airworthiness/equipment and crew/passenger entry requirements.

### Airports of Entry

[FXMM](#) [Moshoeshoe International Airport](#)  
[FXQN](#) [Qacha's Nek International Airport](#) (Special permission required for arrivals)  
[FXMK](#) [Mokhotlong International Airport](#) (Special permission required for arrivals)

Check NOTAMS for operational hours. Flights outside of those hours must provide at least 48 hour's notice prior to the flight.

*Note:* International Departures from Qacha Nek and Mokhotlong airports are authorized.

### Entry/Exit Requirements

Entry and exit requirements are for aircraft departing the United States non-stop to country of destination. These requirements do not include any technical stops. Please refer to **Technical Stop** section in **Additional Flight Information** for the country at which the technical stop will be made.

Entry and Exit documentation forms vary from country to country. In general, however, ICAO member countries will accept the following standard ICAO Annex 9 Entry/Exit documents:

- General Declaration
- Passenger Manifest
- Cargo Manifest
- Embarkation/Disembarkation Card
- Certificate of Residual Disinsection

Examples of these documents can be found at [/IFIM Home>General Information>International Flying Overview> ICAO Annex 9 Entry/Exit Documents](#). The acceptance of these ICAO documents must be confirmed by the appropriate AIS.

#### Entry Requirements (Departing the U.S.)

- File an [eAPIS](#) manifest outbound (recommend inbound at this time, too)
- File and activate international flight plan
- Land at a designated airport of entry (AOE) – customs and immigration

The following entry documents are required:

Passengers –

- Valid passport
- [Visa](#) (not required for U.S. citizens for visits 180 days or less)

- Entry and Departure Card (different from ICAO Annex 9 format)
- Yellow Fever Certificate (if arriving within 60 days after leaving or transiting an infected area)

Pilots – Same as passengers

*Note:* Other pilot/crewmember requirements may be applicable in lieu of those stated. Contact appropriate AIS for further clarification prior to flight.

Aircraft –

General Declaration – 2 for Customs, 2 for Immigration, 1 for Health, 1 for Civil Aviation  
Copy of Permit to operate Non-scheduled flights (Charters)

#### **Exit Requirements (Departing Lesotho)**

- Same documents as required for entry (see *Aircraft*- above)
- Depart from an AOE
- File [eAPIS](#) manifest if inbound to the U.S.
- File an international flight plan
- Call U.S. Customs at filed U.S. airport of entry

### **Additional Flight Information**

#### **Aircraft Instruments and Equipment**

U.S. aircraft airworthiness and certification requirements may not meet other countries requirements. It is the responsibility of the pilot to determine if the aircraft meet those requirements.

The items listed below are for pilots' reference to determine if the aircraft meets minimum instrument and equipment requirements of the destination country. Additional equipment may be required to comply with the airspace navigation requirements.

Commercial air transport aircraft operating in Lesotho must adhere to the provisions of Annex 6 – Operation of Aircraft, Part1, Chapter 6 (Airplane Instrument and Flight Documents) and Chapter 7 (Airplane Communication and Navigation Equipment). Additionally they are required to carry a functioning HF radio to enable continuous two way radio communication with an ATSU throughout the whole of the flight over the territory of Lesotho.

ICAO Documents can be purchased from ICAO at: <http://store1.icao.int/>

#### **RVSM**

[Domestic and International RVSM](#) guidance is provided on the IFIM Home Page. Click on the **Air Traffic** tab and select **Separation Standards** from the drop down list.

#### **Technical Stop / Overflight**

Prior Permission is required for overflight or technical stops of non-scheduled flights from the Director of Civil Aviation. The information contained in the flight plan is accepted as adequate notice of the overflight or arrival.

### **Non-scheduled Flights (Charters)**

“No foreign aircraft is allowed to take on, in the Lesotho territory, passengers, cargo and mail carried for hire or reward or in connection with any trade or business and destined for another point within Lesotho territory. However, permission may be granted to perform several intermediate stops and in accordance with conditions laid down by the DCA” [sic].

Application for such permission shall be submitted to the Director of Civil Aviation at least 48 working hours before starting operations.

### **Private Flights**

Advance notification of private flights must be made to the Director of Civil Aviation. The Information in the flight plan is accepted as adequate notice of the arrival of incoming aircraft.

### **Float Planes**

The IFIM Staff is not aware of any Float Plane requirements or restrictions.

### **Light Sport Aircraft**

The IFIM Staff is not aware of any Light Sport Aircraft requirements or restrictions.

### **Fees**

Users should anticipate varying fees for landing, parking, hangarage, passenger services (departure tax).

### **Fuel**

Jet A1 and Avgas is available at Moshoeshoe International Airport. Information on fuel at Qacha's Nek and Mokhotlong International Airports is not available at this time. The IFIM staff suggests that you contact the AIS at Moshoeshoe (see Designated Authorities) for current information.

### **VFR/Night VFR**

Flight above FL 200 must be under IFR.

The time 15 minutes after sunset and 15 minutes before sunrise is considered night. Contact the Director of Civil Aviation for further information.

### **Island Hopping**

The IFIM Staff is not aware of any Island Hopping requirements or restrictions.

### **Aeronautical Charts**

Aeronautical charts are available for purchase from:

Publications department  
Government Printing Works  
P.O. Box 174  
Masuru – 100, Lesotho

## Prohibitions, Restrictions and Notices

Prohibitions, Restrictions and Notices may be found on the IFIM main page under General Information. Click [HERE](#) to open.

## Country Specific Travel Information

### Public Health Requirements

*Aircraft* – No public health measures are to be carried out with respect to aircraft unless arriving from a yellow fever or malaria area. Spraying in that case should be performed on or prior to arrival.

Please refer to the DOT website below for any current requirements.

DOT: [Aircraft Disinsection Requirements](#)

*Passengers* –

Please refer to the Center for Disease Control and the World Health Organization websites below for any current requirements.

CDC: <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/lesotho.htm>

<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/content/vaccinations.aspx>

WHO: <http://www.who.int/countries/en/>

### Public Holidays

The Lesotho AIP does not provide information regarding public holidays. Please contact the Lesotho Embassy for further information.

### Pets

Cats and dogs require a veterinarian good health and rabies inoculation certificate issued at the point of origin.

### Additional Links

CIA World Factbook: <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/lt.html>

## Aeronautical Information Publication AIP

The IFIM staff is not aware of a free-access Aeronautical Information Publication website for this country. The country Aeronautical Information Service (AIS) may be contacted for information