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Nationals of Saint Kitts and Nevis Require ETA to Travel to the United Kingdom

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– Nationals of Saint Kitts and Nevis are reminded that, effective 8 January 2025, they are required to obtain an Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA) prior to travelling to the United Kingdom.

The ETA is a pre-travel requirement for eligible travellers and must be obtained before entering the UK. Applications can be made online via <https://apply-for-an-eta.homeoffice.gov.uk/apply/electronic-travel-authorisation/how-to-apply> or through the UK ETA mobile app, available on Google Play and the Apple Store.

The cost to apply for an ETA is currently £10, but travellers are advised to take note that this fee will increase to £16 effective **9 April 2025**. Travellers are advised to apply in advance of their travel dates, as processing typically takes three (3) working days, though it may be quicker or longer in some cases.

Once approved, the ETA is valid for two (2) years or until the expiry of the passport used in the application—whichever comes first. Please note that the ETA is electronically linked to your passport. If you obtain a new passport, you must apply for a new ETA.

Before you apply, ensure you have:

- A valid passport (original, not a copy)
- Access to your email
- A credit/debit card, Apple Pay, or Google Pay to process payment
- A clear digital photo of your passport's biometric page and a recent photo of your face

An ETA is required if you are:

- Travelling to the UK for up to 6 months for tourism, visiting family or friends, business, or short-term study
- Travelling to the UK for up to 3 months under the Creative Worker visa concession
- Travelling for a permitted paid engagement
- Transiting through the UK, including if not passing through border control

For full guidance and FAQs, please visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-an-electronic-travel-authorisation-eta>

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs encourages all nationals to comply with this UK requirement and apply for their ETA in a timely manner to avoid travel disruptions.
