

## INFORMATION FOR PASSENGERS



The purpose of this information notice is to provide travellers with details about the European Entry/Exit System (EES), helping to speed up border checks and reduce waiting time.

What is the EES? Who does it apply to? The EES is an IT system for registering non-EU nationals travelling for a short stay to the Schengen Area.

What does enhanced border control mean in practice? In addition to the standard border checks, a facial image and the fingerprints of four fingers of the right hand will be collected and stored in the system.





If a traveller refuses to provide their biometric data (facial image and fingerprints), entry into the Schengen Area will be refused.

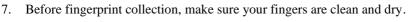
## WHAT SHOULD TRAVELLERS BE AWARE OF? HOW TO PREPARE AND FACILITATE BORDER CHECKS?

 For faster border crossing, please use the lane corresponding to your nationality, as indicated by the signs.





- Border checks are generally carried out at the control booths, requiring all passengers to step out of the vehicle. However, the Police may carry out pre-registration, facial image and fingerprint collection before the booths, using mobile devices.
- 3. To assist the Police and ensure a smoother border crossing, observe how the checks are carried out for travellers ahead of you and follow the same procedure.
- 4. Information notices displayed at the control booths will guide you through the facial image and fingerprint collection process.
- 5. Before your facial image is taken, please remove any headwear or face-covering items. Please note that you must maintain a neutral facial expression during the photo capture smiling or changing your expression may prevent successful recording.
- 6. When your facial image is taken at the control booth, stand on the marked spot on the ground and look directly into the camera positioned in front of you.





## ALWAYS FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE POLICE OFFICERS!

Further information is available in the video:

## The EES does not apply to:

- Nationals of European countries using the EES, as well as Cyprus and Ireland
- Non-EU nationals who hold a residence card and are immediately related to an EU national
- Non-EU nationals who hold a residence card or a residence permit and are immediately related to a non-EU national who can travel throughout Europe like an EU citizen
- Non-EU nationals travelling to Europe as part of an intracorporate transfer or for the purposes of research, studies, training, voluntary service, pupil exchange schemes or educational projects and au-pairing
- Holders of residence permits and long-stay visas
- Nationals of Andorra, Monaco, San Marino, and holders of a passport issued by the Vatican City State or the Holy See
- People exempt from border checks or who have been granted certain privileges with respect to border checks
- Those holding a valid local border traffic permit
- Crew members of passenger and goods trains on international connecting journeys



If you would like to learn more about the legal grounds for exemptions from the EES, please visit the website: <a href="https://travel-europe.europa.eu">https://travel-europe.europa.eu</a>