



# In collaboration of ILAE-Eastern Mediterranean Region & the Iraqi Chapter Against Epilepsy

Baghdad, December 12-14, 2024 Rotana Babylon Hotel

# **About Iraq**

Iraq, located in the Middle East, is a country rich in history and culture. It is bordered by Turkey, Iran, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, and Syria. The climate varies across the country, with hot, dry summers and cool winters in the highlands, while the desert regions experience extreme heat in summer and mild winters.

The Iraqi culture is a blend of Arab, Persian, Kurdish and Turkish influences, with Islam playing a significant role in the daily lives of the people. The population is estimated to be around 40 million, with a diverse mix of ethnic groups including Arabs, Kurds, Turkmen, Assyrians, and others.

#### **Weather Forecast**

17°C max day temperature

10 10 hours of daylight per day

6 hours of sunshine per day

0 No heat & humidity

6 days with some rainfall

26 mm of monthly rainfall

6 °C min night temperature

3 (Moderate) UV index

Time difference	UK +3 hours
Language(s)	Arabic, Kurdish
Currency	Iraqi Dinar
Electricity	C + D + G plug (230V)
Driving side	Right
International phone code	00964

# Visa requirements

You must have a visa to visit Iraq. You may be eligible to get a visit visa on arrival in Iraq. You must pay any fees for visas on arrival in Iraq, including the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, in US dollars. Citizens of the following countries may obtain a visa on arrival at Al Najaf International Airport or Basra International Airport:

Bahrain
Qatar
Kuwait
Saudi Arabia
United Arab Emirates

Citizens of the following countries can get visa on arrival at any entry point land, sea, and air:

All European Union member states

Australia

Canada

South Korea

Switzerland

Japan

Japan

Lebanon

New Zealand

# **List A Countries**

Citizens of the following countries may obtain an e-Visa or visa on arrival for up to 30 days:



# **Requirements of the Visa request**

The following conditions must available in the Visa request—:

- 1. You will need a valid passport for a period of minimum (6) months.
- 2. The visa shall be valid for a period of (60) days from the date of arrival,
- 3. Filling in a Visa application form with two photographs.
- 4. Ability to cover the cost of living during the period of his stay in Iraq for holders of ordinary passports.
- 5. There is no objection prevent him from entering the territory of the Republic of Iraq regarding the public health, security, morals, or the national economy.
- 6. Provide a convincing reason for visit depending on the Visa type.
- 7. he requester not accused or convicted of a crime outside Iraq may be extradited for.
- 8. There is no order of deporting him from the Republic of Iraq and to achieve this must check the records for the barred from entering Iraq in accordance with the attached form.(1)
- Full address in the place, which he will stay in the Republic of Iraq.
   (Foreigner Residence law No. (118) for the year 1987, and the amended (Article V).

#### **Invitation Letter**

To obtain an invitation letter for visa submission, please email <a href="mailto:info@iraqiepilepsy.com">info@iraqiepilepsy.com</a> With the necessary details.

Full	name	as	Passport	Attendee	Attendee	Date o	Date o
written	in	the	No.	Specialty	Occupation	arrival	Departure
passpo	rt						

# e-Visa Application

Apply for an entry visa to Iraq electronically through the Iraqi electronic visa platform. You can submit your application request via the link below or by QR code.

https://eservice.evisa.iq/



Fees (\$40-75 in cash), with the exception of those of Iraqi origin, considering the submission of proof of Iraqi citizenship.

# Taking money into or out of Iraq

On entering or exiting Iraq you must declare all currency or items valued over 13,200,000 Iraqi dinars (10,000 US dollars), or the same value in other foreign currencies.

# **Baghdad International Airport Transportation**

BGW is located 22 kilometers away from the city center. You can get to the city center with public bus, taxi and car. Public buses are available to the different parts of the city. Tickets may be purchased from kiosks at the airport. You can get to the city center with public bus, taxi and car.

# **Security State**

Although Baghdad is one of the safest destinations to visit for foreigners. You may notice police checkpoints during your route in Baghdad; this is considered typical, so ensure that you have your passport with you at all times.

# Transportation within Baghdad

The Event Organizer provide shuttle services to attendees who accommodate in 3 recommended hotels (see About Venue) to Rotana Babylon Hotel during the in-person days of the congress (13th & 14th of December), pickup at 08:30 am / 07:30 pm for back to hotel.

For any on site contact support: Houssam Ghlaini:



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Taxis & public transportation are the main means of transportation for visitors in Baghdad with relatively low fares.