

AMERISPAN SUMMER TEEN WAIVER – PAGE 1

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General Rules and Guidelines

1. There are no second chances or probationary periods. If a participant breaks any of the following rules, they will be sent home. In addition, AmeriSpan reserves the right to refuse to serve, cancel and/or terminate participation for any person who fails to comply with the policies of the program, or for any other reason deemed necessary at the sole discretion of AmeriSpan or the school/camp. We reserve the right without escort or refund to send home any participant who violates the rules stated above at the expense of the participant or his/her family.
2. The student is expected to attend and arrive on time to all planned events, unless there is good reason. The on-site staff must be contacted, if the student is unable to participate.
3. Participants are expected to be home by the appointed curfew time, follow all house rules and abide by the assigned lights out time (exceptions made only if it's a school organized activity).
4. Participants planning to travel independently during the weekends MUST have parental consent below and parents may still need to complete additional program-specific release forms.
5. All lodging is for participants only; guests are not permitted. No exceptions will be made.
6. Participants may not make phone calls from their homestays. They should plan to use a pay phone or bring/purchase a cellular phone that functions in the country where they will be living.
7. Parents may call the participants at the homestay. It is customary to keep calls brief.
8. Participants are expected to be courteous & respectful guests and should obey all local laws. Illegal drug use or abusive behavior at any age or alcoholic consumption by minor participants will not be tolerated. Extra lodging days are usually not available so participants should plan to arrive and depart on the specific start dates. In some cases, and with advanced notice, an extra day may be available for an extra charge.

Specific Program Information

Additional Release Forms

Several programs require additional medical release and other forms. These can be downloaded at www.amerispan.com/downloadpdf.asp

Alajuela, Costa Rica

- Classes start promptly at 8am until noon or 1 pm until 5 pm. Placement exam, orientation (**but no language classes**) on 1st day.
- Students purchase snacks/lunch at on-site cafeteria or a local restaurant for about \$4-\$6/day, not included in program cost.
- There is collect and credit card service provided at school to make phone calls home.
- The host family will meet you at the airport upon arrival. Sunday arrival and Saturday departure to/from homestay.
- Teen participants are NOT given a copy of the house keys.
- Students need to save approximately \$26 to pay the departure tax, which may be paid at the school or the airport.
- Teen excursions are available to purchase onsite. Please see AmeriSpan website for additional details & price. In Costa Rica it is illegal for teenagers to make purchases with parents credit cards. Please provide your teen with sufficient funds, we recommend a prepaid card such as the Visa Buxx card: www.visabuxx.com

Beijing, China (Explore China)

- Main gate locks daily at 10:00pm, this is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules & regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc.

Granada, Spain

- Generally, curfew time set at 11:00pm on weekdays and midnight on weekends.
- Participants are required to participate in all sport/cultural activities and full-day excursions.

Guanajuato, Mexico

- This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants must abide by staff rules & regulations pertaining to curfew, policies and procedures, etc.

Heredia, Costa Rica

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Leysin, Switzerland (Extra nights NOT available)

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Lignano, Italy (Extra nights NOT available)

- This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules & regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc.
- Sunday arrival and Sunday departure to/from camp. Transfer service to/from airport or train station included in tuition for the above mentioned arrival/departure dates only.
- ****EXCEPTION:** If studying until last day of camp, departure is on Saturday.
- All participants must complete the medical release form and return to AmeriSpan at least 2 weeks before starting.
- If parents wish to call their child, the best time to contact the students to avoid disruption to the program is at the following times: 8:00-9:00am, 12:30-2:30pm and 6:30-8:30pm.

La Manzanilla, Mexico

- Generally, curfew time set at 10:00pm on weekdays and on weekends.
- Participants are required to participate in all activities, excursions and volunteer work.



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Monte Carlo, Monaco (Extra nights NOT available)

- AmeriSpan program participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. ****EXCEPTION:** Students under the age of 16 may only leave the school premises with the written permission of parents or legal guardians and house rules must be obeyed. All the students have a curfew of 7pm.
- AmeriSpan must be informed of any health conditions requiring special attention or special diets at time of enrollment. All participants must complete the medical release form and return to AmeriSpan at least 2 weeks before starting.

Montreal, Canada

- Participants must have a completed airport release form. All participants must complete code of conduct form.
- The following will be needed to gain entry into Canada if not traveling with your parent or legal guardian: A valid passport. U.S. citizens not yet age 19 must present a letter from their parents giving permission to enter Canada.
- Students must bring their passport and flight ticket to school the first day.
- Students will be given a metro pass on their first day, please do not purchase metro passes on arrival weekend.
- All afternoon activities are mandatory; monitors will take attendance and inform the office of absentee students.
- Curfew is set by the homestay and is supported by the school. Generally, curfew is 10:00pm on weekdays and 11:00pm on weekends.

Netanya, Israel

This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules & regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc.

Paris, France (Extra nights NOT available)

This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules & regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc.

- Bed linens are provided and changed once a week. Participants should bring their own towels for bathing. Coin-operated laundry facilities are available for self-service. Coins for laundry can be bought on campus.

Quito, Ecuador

This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants must abide by staff rules & regulations pertaining to curfew, policies and procedures, etc.

Rabat, Morocco

This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants must abide by staff and host family rules & regulations pertaining to curfew, policies and procedures, etc. **IMPORTANT:** A dress code is required for both males and females at school: shirts should have sleeves, no exposed midriffs or undergarments, knees should be covered.

Spain Summer Camps (Barcelona, Madrid, Marbella, Salamanca & Valencia)

AmeriSpan program participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. ****EXCEPTION:** Only those students 15 and older and whose parents have given advanced, written permission to AmeriSpan will be permitted to leave camp grounds, unescorted. The camp personnel is aware that older, senior students may have a certain level of freedom and independence and for this reason will permit **THREE** unescorted off-campus trips per student during each **two-week session**. The hours permitted are from the afternoon snack time until 11:30pm. The specific days that the unescorted, off-campus trips are permitted are established by each camp's director.

Vienna, Austria

AmeriSpan program participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. ****EXCEPTION:** those participants whose parents have given advanced, written permission to AmeriSpan will be permitted to leave camp grounds, unescorted. If such permission is granted, students may leave the campus alone in the afternoons (until 6pm) and/or in the evenings (until 9pm if under 16 years or 10pm if older).

- If parents wish to call their child, the best time is at meal times: Breakfast (8:00-8:45am) Lunch: (12:30-1:00pm), Dinner (6:30-7:00pm). There are a number of pay phones for participants to use, some are coin operated and other are phone card operated. Phone cards may be purchased on-site from the camp staff (denominations of 3,36 euros and 7,70 euros).
- Every student must pay a security deposit of 25 euros on the first day of the program, which is returned at the end of the program provide that no damage has been caused.

Independent Teen Programs (Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Morocco, Spain)

These programs are ideal for families traveling together as they allow 16-18 year olds to participate in their standard adult program. **There is no supervision, no curfew and no special activities for teenage participants.** Only extremely mature and well-traveled teenagers should participate on these programs.

Guardian/Parent(s) Agreement to Terms:

1. I/We have read and fully understand the general guidelines as explained in this waiver.
2. I/We have read the information pertaining to our son/daughter's program in _____ (location).
3. My child may _____ travel independently on weekends (i.e. other than trips organized through program).
Important!!! If you approve, put a check in above space. If not, insert "NOT"

Guardian/Parent signature (1) _____ Printed name _____

Guardian/Parent signature (2) _____ Printed name _____

Participant Agreement to Terms:

I have read and agree to abide by the general guidelines as explained in this waiver. Further, I agree to follow all school rules, curfews and policies which may be conveyed to me while participating in the program.

Participant Signature _____ Printed name _____

