

**Article 19**  
**(General entry requirements)**

(1) Alien may enter BiH if he/she possess a valid passport or other identification document that may be used for entering BiH, provided that it is valid at least three months longer then the period of intended stay in BiH and that it is issued during the past ten years or that is of permanent validity. In case of justified urgent cases or if so required by BiH security, humanitarian, serious professional or personal reasons, the validity of a travel document may even be shorter.

(2) In addition to general requirements for entering BiH under paragraph (1) herein, an alien shall also meet the following:

a) be in possession of a valid visa for entry, stay or transit through the territories of BiH, the validity of which does not expire on the day of entry into BiH, unless he/she enters BiH with a travel document issued by a country whose nationals are exempted from the obligation of obtaining visas pursuant to Article 21 (Exemption from the obligation of obtaining visas) of this Law; or

b) be in possession of a residence permit provided under this Law.

(3) In addition to the general requirements prescribed by paragraphs (1) and (2) herein, an alien shall also meet the following:

a) be in possession of sufficient means of subsistence during the intended stay and exit from BiH, including the means for health care or an evidence on being able to obtain it legally in a manner stipulated by Article 23 (Evidence of the existence of means of subsistence) of this Law;

b) be in possession of documents or information on the basis of which one can reasonably conclude the purpose and conditions of his/her intended stay in BiH, if possible and necessary;

c) be in possession of an entry visa of a neighbouring country to which he/she is travelling or transiting to continue the travel, if so required;

d) be in possession of a vaccination certificate, if arriving from the territory on which there is epidemics of a contagious disease;

e) has no imposed measures on expulsion, cancellation or prohibition of entry into BiH territory, provided that the period of the imposed measure or the prohibition is still in force;

f) was not registered in the competent authorities' records as a person breaching the BiH or foreign regulations and in particular as an international offender;

g) no reasons other than those referred to in indents e) and f) of this paragraph, indicating that his/her presence in the territory of BiH would constitute a threat to national security of BiH, legal order, public order and peace, public health in BiH or international relations of BiH.

(4) Alien exempt from an obligation to obtain a BiH visa under Article 21 (Exemption from obligation to obtain a visa) of this Law does not need, as such, to meet requirements prescribed in paragraph (2) herein, but shall meet the other general BiH entry requirements under paragraph (3) herein.

(5) Alien requiring a visa for entry into BiH shall meet the other general entry requirements under paragraph (3) herein when applying for issuance of a visa.

(6) In addition to the entry requirements prescribed by paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) herein, the Council of Ministers may prescribe additional requirements for entry into BiH when so required by reasons of protecting security of BiH, its legal order, public peace and health or the other reasons arising from the international obligations of BiH.