

# **Important Guidelines for the General Chapter of the Order of Carmelites Malang, Indonesia: 8 - 26 September 2025**

## **1. Visa and Passport**

- Participants are responsible for obtaining the appropriate visa for Indonesia. Depending on your nationality, you may apply for:
  - **Visa on Arrival (VoA):** Available for citizens of eligible countries at the airport, valid for 30 days, extendable once for another 30 days.
  - **E-Visa:** Some nationalities can apply for an electronic visa before departure through Indonesia's official immigration website.
  - **Visa in Advance:** Certain countries require obtaining a visa from an Indonesian embassy/consulate before arrival.
- Ensure your passport is valid for at least **six months** beyond your arrival date.
- For assistance, visit the official Indonesian immigration website:  
<https://www.imigrasi.go.id>
- In addition to visa application, upon arrival in Indonesia or before arrival, you need to fill in these forms:
  - Health Pass Registration: <https://sshp.kemkes.go.id>
  - Custom Declaration: <https://ecd.beacukai.go.id>After filling out the forms, you will get barcodes that will be asked to show at some checkpoints before exiting the airport.
- More detailed information is provided in pages 3-4

## **2. Flight Information Submission**

- Please send your complete flight details (arrival and departure) along with your contact information to:
  - Email: [sekprov.oki@gmail.com](mailto:sekprov.oki@gmail.com)
  - Dimas Pele Alu (WA: +62 852 1992 0092)
  - Andik Darmawanto (WA: +62 812 2020 7077)
- This will help us arrange airport pickups and ensure smooth arrivals and departures.

## **3. Travel Guidelines**

- Preferred Arrival Airport:
  - Juanda International Airport (SUB), Surabaya – The largest and most convenient international airport (85 km from Malang, about a 2-hour drive).
  - Abdul Rachman Saleh Airport (MLG), Malang – A smaller regional airport with limited flights, **only serves flights to and from Jakarta.**
- Preferred Arrival Date: 8 September 2025.
- Airport Pickup: Transportation will be arranged for participants arriving at Juanda International Airport (SUB) or Abdul Rachman Saleh Airport (MLG).
- If you plan to arrive earlier than 8 September, please inform us so we can arrange your accommodation and pickup.

## **4. Regarding Cell phones**

- Please look it up on pages 4-5.

## 5. Food and Water Safety

- Tap water in Indonesia is not potable. Only drink bottled or filtered water.
- Food will be provided at the venue with a variety of local and international options.
- Please inform us if you have specific dietary restrictions (vegetarian, allergies, etc.).

## 6. Alcohol Policy in Indonesia

- Alcohol consumption is regulated in Indonesia. Public drinking is discouraged while it is allowed in hotels and licensed venues.

## 7. Indonesian Currency

- The official currency is the ***Indonesian Rupiah (IDR)***.
- Exchange Rate: 1 USD  $\approx$  15,000 IDR (subject to fluctuation).
- It is recommended to ***exchange some currency upon arrival*** at the airport or withdraw cash from ATMs, which are widely available.
- Credit cards (Visa/MasterCard) are accepted in hotels and large restaurants but may not be accepted in smaller shops or markets.

## 8. Weather in Malang and Clothing Recommendations

- Malang has a ***tropical highland climate*** with mild temperatures in September. The average temperature ranges from ***18°C to 28°C (64°F to 82°F)***.
- Rainfall is minimal in September, but occasional showers may occur.
- Recommended clothing:
  - Lightweight and breathable clothing for warm daytime temperatures.
  - A light jacket or sweater for cooler evenings and air-conditioned venues.
  - Comfortable walking shoes for any outings or excursions.
  - A small umbrella or raincoat in case of unexpected rain showers.

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**WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO MALANG, INDONESIA!**

## **MORE DETAILED INFORMATION FOR OBTAINING AN INDONESIAN VISA**

- While most nationalities eligible for a Visa on Arrival can obtain it at the airport, it is **highly recommended** that applicants apply for an e-visa in advance to avoid long queues at immigration.
- To apply for the visa online, **please go to this website:**  
<https://evisa.imigrasi.go.id>
- For the main purpose of the visit, choose: **General, Family, or Social**
- For the sub-purpose of visit, choose: **Tourism, Family Visit, and Transit**
- For the Type of Visa, choose:
  - **A1 Visa (Free Visa):** If you are from a country eligible for Indonesia's free visa program and will stay for a maximum of **30 days**.
  - **B1 Visa (Visa on Arrival - VoA):** If you are from a country eligible for VoA and will stay for a maximum of **30 days**.
  - **C1 Visa (e-Visa or Embassy Visa):** If you are not eligible for A1 or B1 visas or plan to stay for **up to 60 days**, you must apply online or at an Indonesian embassy/consulate before departure.

### **Countries eligible for Indonesia's free visa program:**

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|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 1. Brunei Darussalam | 6. Cambodia  | 10. Timor Leste |
| 2. Malaysia          | 7. Singapore | 11. Suriname    |
| 3. Thailand          | 8. Myanmar   | 12. Colombia    |
| 4. Vietnam           | 9. Laos      | 13. Hong Kong   |
| 5. Philippines       |              |                 |

### **Countries eligible for Visa on Arrival:**

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|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1. South Africa            | 18. Bulgaria       | 37. Canada        |
| 2. Albania                 | 19. Czech Republic | 38. Kazakhstan    |
| 3. United States           | 20. Chile          | 39. Kenya         |
| 4. Andorra                 | 21. Denmark        | 40. Colombia      |
| 5. Saudi Arabia            | 22. Ecuador        | 41. South Korea   |
| 6. Argentina               | 23. Estonia        | 42. Croatia       |
| 7. Armenia                 | 24. Philippines    | 43. Kuwait        |
| 8. Australia               | 25. Finland        | 44. Laos          |
| 9. Austria                 | 26. Guatemala      | 45. Latvia        |
| 10. Azerbaijan             | 27. Hong Kong      | 46. Liechtenstein |
| 11. Bahrain                | 28. Hungary        | 47. Lithuania     |
| 12. Netherlands            | 29. India          | 48. Luxembourg    |
| 13. Belarus                | 30. United Kingdom | 49. Maldives      |
| 14. Belgium                | 31. Ireland        | 50. Malaysia      |
| 15. Brazil                 | 32. Italy          | 51. Malta         |
| 16. Brunei Darussalam      | 33. Iceland        | 52. Morocco       |
| 17. Bosnia and Herzegovina | 34. Japan          | 53. Mauritius     |
|                            | 35. Germany        | 54. Mexico        |
|                            | 36. Cambodia       | 55. Egypt         |

56. Monaco	71. Rwanda	87. China
57. Mongolia	72. New Zealand	88. Tunisia
58. Mozambique	73. Serbia	89. Turkey
59. Myanmar	74. Seychelles	90. United Arab Emirates
60. Norway	75. Singapore	91. Uzbekistan
61. Oman	76. Cyprus	92. Ukraine
62. Palestine	77. Slovakia	93. Vatican
63. Papua New Guinea	78. Slovenia	94. Venezuela
64. France	79. Spain	95. Vietnam
65. Peru	80. Suriname	96. Jordan
66. Poland	81. Sweden	97. Greece
67. Portugal	82. Switzerland	
68. Qatar	83. Taiwan	
69. Romania	84. Tanzania	
70. Russia	85. Thailand	
	86. Timor-Leste	

## DETAILED INFORMATION REGARDING CELL PHONES:

- On 18 April 2020, the Indonesian government **implemented the IMEI** (*International Mobile Equipment Identity* or, in simple words, the unique number of your mobile device. Every officially produced phone has it) **registration** to prevent the circulation of illegal phones, protect consumer rights, and ensure that all devices used in the country are legitimate and have paid the necessary taxes. **Consequently, mobile phones purchased abroad may stop working with SIM cards from Indonesian mobile phone carriers if not registered.**
- IMEI registration **only applies** to people staying **longer than 90 days and planning to use a local SIM card.**
- So, **if your visit is less than 90 days, you have two options:**
  - You can still use your **foreign SIM card** for roaming, including mobile internet and international calls. You can also connect to any Wi-Fi network available in many places, including hotels and restaurants. *Note that roaming prices for calls or data may be quite high.*
  - As a foreigner, you can buy a **special tourist sim card** and register it at the mobile store to use it during your stay. **This registration is different than the IMEI registration at customs!** To do that, simply go to the nearest provider office (usually you can find it before the airport exit gate), pick a mobile data plan, and ask the employee to register it as a tourist sim card. This sim card (*not the data plan*) is now valid for 90 days! This is often called "**tourist registration**" and is completely free! The plan you buy will most probably be valid for 30 days. After

that, you can buy another one for the same card, **but after 90 days, the SIM card will stop working.**

- In case **you want to register the IMEI of your cell phone:**
  - To **register** your **IMEI** in **Indonesia**, you must carry out the registration procedures **before you leave the airport** and during the 24 hours following your arrival in Indonesia. Things to consider before registering:
    1. IMEI registration of mobile **phones** and **tablets** valued at **less than 500 USD** will be **free of charge**.
    2. Only **two phones** or tablets **per person** will be allowed.
    3. IMEI registration of **mobile phone** values **greater** than **500 USD** will cost **40%** of the remaining value after being discounted by 500 USD. For example: If a mobile phone costs 900 USD, you will have to pay 40% of 400 USD (900 minus 500 USD), which is about 160 USD for Customs to register your mobile phone.
  - Steps for IMEI Registration in Indonesia
    1. Fill Out the Online Form
      - ◆ Visit the Indonesian Customs website to access the IMEI registration form: <https://www.beacukai.go.id/register-imei.html>
      - ◆ Provide personal details of the phone owner, flight details of your arrival in Indonesia, NPWP number (for residents), technical data and phone price, and an invoice if available.
      - ◆ After submitting the form, you will receive a QR code (save this on your mobile phone) and an email with the same information.
    2. Visit the Customs Office in Person
      - ◆ In Jakarta: The Customs office is located in the International Departures Terminal (T3), on the second floor behind the zone 1 counters, at the end of the hall on the left. Be sure to allow extra time if you have a flight, as there may be queues.
      - ◆ In Bali: The office is located just in front of the Customs X-Ray area before exiting the airport.
      - ◆ In Surabaya: The IMEI registration customs desk is next to the baggage reclaim, just before leaving the arrivals
    3. Present Your Documents
      - ◆ Show your mobile phone, the QR code image, passport, boarding pass, and phone purchase invoice (if any).
      - ◆ The Customs officer will complete the registration, and you will receive a confirmation via email. Activation usually takes about 2 or 3 hours.
    4. Now, you can use any sim card from any Indonesian provider.
  - Following these steps will ensure that your mobile phone is registered and compliant with Indonesian regulations, allowing you to enjoy uninterrupted mobile services.