



TRAVELING TO NICARAGUA

On the Plane:

The flight attendant will provide you with three documents that need to be filled out to completion.

- **Documents:**

- Health Form
- Customs Form
- Immigration Form

- **You will need the AMOS Address:**

AMOS – Km 9.5 C.V. a León, del cementerio, 1600 varras al noroeste



Immigration:

- **Wait in the appropriate line and when it is your turn present:**

- Passport (make sure it is signed on the picture page)
- Health form
- Immigration form
- \$10 per person (US bills are fine)

- When they stamp your passport and let you go, it is important to **keep the little white piece of paper** (pictured right) they put in your passport. This is your 90-day visa and is important to have when you leave the country.



Baggage Claim:

- This process is the same as the baggage claim in the states. When you see your bag on the conveyor belt, grab it. Make sure it is yours and make sure you watch your bag so it does not get stolen.



• **Airport Baggage Services:**

There will be airport employees at Baggage Claim that can help get your bags and carry them. It is all right to allow them to help you and your group. An average tip for their service is \$1 per bag. It can be easiest to give one of the men helping with the bags the amount for all the bags and he will divide it among all the workers. Make sure not to pay them until they help load the vehicle with all the luggage.

• **Baggage Inspector:**

After Baggage Claim you will be stopped by a person that will want to see your baggage receipt. The purpose of this is to match the numbers on the receipt with the bag to assure the bag is actually yours.

Customs:

- Place all bags on the conveyor belt in order for them to be screened. Once your bag comes out, hand your customs declaration form to the person running the screener.
- If they need to further inspect your bag they will direct you to another area where they will open your bag and look more intentionally. If this happens, answer them honestly and tell them you are volunteering with a health organization, which is an NGO (None Governmental Organization).

Arrivals Lobby:

After passing through customs, keeping walking straight into the Arrivals Lobby and do NOT go outside. You will see an AMOS staff member holding a sign that says "AMOS." If for some reason you cannot find them, have the team stay together and remain inside the airport with your bags. AMOS will be tracking the flight online and will be aware if the flight is delayed for any reason.



Contacts:

Your delegations volunteer coordinator will provide your group leader with contact information closer to your arrival date.



TRAVEL TIP: Money

- Most places in Nicaragua accept US Dollars in addition to Nicaraguan Córdoba.
- Only bring only clean, crisp bills to Nicaragua.
- There can't be any tears, fade marks, or extra writing on any of the bills you bring because shop owners and market sellers will not accept them.
- \$1, \$5, \$10, and \$20 bills are best. Don't bring anything higher.

RETURNING FROM NICARAGUA

Departing:

- When arriving at the airport, check in with the appropriate airline at the ticket counter in order to check your bags and to receive your boarding passes.
- Make sure to obtain a **departure immigration form** when entering the ticket counter line. Fill the form out appropriately before entering immigrations.
- Proceed through immigrations, security, and finally find your departure gate number.
- You will have to pass through customs again during any US connection flight.

DEPARTURE CARD

Please write clearly - use block letters
* = Put a check mark (✓) in the suitable box.

FULL NAME (as appears in Passport)

SEX* MALE FEMALE

NATIONALITY

PASSPORT NUMBER

PLACE OF ISSUE

DATE OF EXPIRY (DD-MM-YYYY)

IMMEDIATE DESTINATION

FLIGHT NO. / VESSEL NAME / VEHICLE REG. NO.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Customs Declaration FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1651-0009
19 CFR 122.27, 148.12, 148.13, 148.110, 148.111, 1498; 31 CFR 5316

Each arriving traveler or responsible family member must provide the following information (only ONE written declaration per family is required):

1. Family Name
First (Given) _____ Middle _____
2. Birth date Day _____ Month _____ Year _____
3. Number of Family members traveling with you _____
4. (a) U.S. Street Address (hotel name/destination) _____
(b) City _____ (c) State _____
5. Passport issued by (country) _____
6. Passport number _____
7. Country of Residence _____
8. Countries visited on this trip prior to U.S. arrival _____
9. Airline/Flight No. or Vessel Name _____
10. The primary purpose of this trip is business: Yes No
11. I am (We are) bringing

(a) fruits, vegetables, plants, seeds, food, insects:	Yes	No
(b) meats, animals, animal/wildlife products:	Yes	No
(c) disease agents, cell cultures, snails:	Yes	No
(d) soil or have been on a farm/ranch/pasture:	Yes	No
12. I have (We have) been in close proximity of (such as touching or handling) livestock: Yes No
13. I am (We are) carrying currency or monetary instruments over \$10,000 U.S. or foreign equivalent: (see definition of monetary instruments on reverse) Yes No
14. I have (We have) commercial merchandise: (articles for sale, samples used for soliciting orders, or goods that are not considered personal effects) Yes No
15. Residents — the total value of all goods, including commercial merchandise I/we have purchased or acquired abroad, (including gifts for someone else, but not items mailed to the U.S.) and am/are bringing to the U.S. is: \$ _____
Visitors — the total value of all articles that will remain in the U.S., including commercial merchandise is: \$ _____

Read the instructions on the back of this form. Space is provided to list all the items you must declare.

I HAVE READ THE IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM AND HAVE MADE A TRUTHFUL DECLARATION.

X _____
(Signature) Date (day/month/year)

For Official Use Only

- On the airplane, each family needs to fill out a **"US Customs and Border Protection"** form that will be handed to the customs officer as you enter the USA.