

International YMCA Outbound Programs

“Country-Specific Do’s & Don’ts”

The goal of this questionnaire is to help provide insight for prospective volunteers or travelers into the specific customs and norms unique to the host country, so they can be as prepared as possible for their visit/experience.

We want our participants to serve as the best possible cultural ambassadors for both the YMCA and the people of the United States.

Please describe behaviors that are not appropriate in your country which may be acceptable in the United States (i.e. sexual harassment, acceptable language, etc.)

Is there any style of clothing or dress which volunteers or participants traveling to your country should be aware of?

Are there any laws or regulations which are unique to your country that Americans (youth or adults) should be aware of?

How is gender, age, skin color, sexual orientation or weight accepted (or not) as a standard in your country?

What kind of clothing do you recommend participants to wear while traversing your city on a daily basis?

Are there any other concerns or comments you have regarding social and cultural norms of the host country that you want to make aware to groups/participants before they travel?

What will the general temperature range be for the time period the group/visitor will be with you?
