



Recommendations for WSRM Congress

Cancún, México June 01-04, 2022

Cancún, Quintana Roo, México

Cancún has the distinction of being a destination with infrastructure, variety of amenities and services. It delivers many worlds to the visitors, between modern and ancient, through cultural treasures, landscapes and diversified activities for everyone.

The white sand beaches and turquoise waters of the Caribbean Sea are considered the most beautiful in the world... A tropical paradise.

It can also offer sports for enthusiasts. It counts with 5 golf courses, incredible coral reefs for snorkeling and scuba diving (it is home of the second largest barrier reef), sport fishing, cenotes and jungle tours.

ICC Cancún

The International Convention Centre, Cancun (ICC) is the largest venue in the region and it is in the heart of the hotel zone in "Punta Cancun", which is the main business area. It offers different options of services, such as banks, money exchange and restaurants.

It is only 23 km away from the airport -the second busiest in Mexico and the largest in Latin America-

<http://cancunicc.com/>

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Accommodation

We have selected hotels with special terms and conditions for the Congress attendees. WSRM is offering advantage with the following:

- Specially negotiated rates.
- Flexibility to change or cancel.

Hotel Options:



Hotel Coral Beach




Hotel Aloft




















Airlines

The main flight companies have direct frequencies or connections to Cancún.

Airline	Destination
 Aerolineas Argentinas	Buenos Aires
 Aruba Airlines	Aruba
 Air Berlin	Dusseldorf
 Air Canada	Calgary Seasonal: Halifax, Ottawa, Winnipeg
 Air Canada Rouge	Montreal-Trudeau, Toronto-Pearson Seasonal: Vancouver
 Air Europa	Madrid
 Air France	Paris-Charles de Gaulle
 Aeromar	Mexico City, Mérida, Oaxaca, Tuxtla Gutiérrez, Villahermosa
 Aeromexico	Mexico City, Guadalajara, La Habana, Nueva York-JFK Seasonal: Dallas/Foth Worth, Houston, Los Angeles, Monterrey
 Aeromexico Connect	Mexico City, Monterrey
 Air Transat	Montreal-Trudeau, Toronto-Pearson, Vancouver Seasonal: Calgary, Edmonton, Fredericton, Halifax, Kelowna, London (ON), Ottawa, Quebec, Regina, San Juan de Terranova, Saskatoon, Victoria, Winnipeg
 Air Transat operated by	Calgary, Edmonton

Airline	Destination
 Alaska Airlines	Seasonal: Seattle, Tacoma
 American Airlines	Charlotte, Chicago – O’Hare, Dallas/Forth Worth, Fildelfia, Los Angeles, Miami, Nueva York-JFK, Phoenix-Sky Harbor Seasonal: Boston, Kansas City, Nashville, Pittsburgh, Raleigh/Durham
 Apple Vacations	Seasonal Charter: Baltimore, Boston, Lansing, Pittsburgh
 Avianca	Bogotá
 Avianca Costa Rica	San José de Costa Rica, San Salvador
 Avianca Perú	Lima
 Blue Panorama Airlines	Roma-Fiumicino
 Boliviana Aviation	Seasonal Charter: Santa Cruz de la Sierra
 Branson Air Express operated by Elite Airways	Seasonal: Branson, New Orleans
 British Airways	London-Gatwick
 Calima Aviation operated by Orbest	Seasonal Charter: Madrid
 Condor Flugdienst	Frankfurt, Munich
 Copa Airlines	Panama City
 Cubana Aviation	La Habana
 Delta Airlines	Atlanta, Detroit, Los Angeles, Minneapolis- Saint Paul, Nueva York-JFK, Salt Lake City Seasonal: Baltimore, Boston, Cincinnati, Columbus (OH), Hartford, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Milwaukee, Nashville, New Orleans, Orlando, Pittsburgh, Raleigh-Durham, Seattle/Tacoma, Tampa, Washington-Dulles
 Easy Sky	Tegucigalpa

Airline	Destination
 Edelweiss Air	Zurich
 Eurowings operated by SunExpress Deutschland	Colonia, Bonn
 Evelop Airlines	Madrid
 Finnair	Seasonal: Helsinki
 Frontier Airlines	Cleveland, Chicago-O'Hare, Denver, Filaldelfia, San Luis (MO) Seasonal: Cincinnati
 Interjet	Mexico City, Guadalajara, Monterrey, Toluca
 Interjet	Bogota, La Habana, Los Angeles, Miami, Montreal-Trudeau, Nueva York-JFK
 JetBlue Airways	Boston, Fort Lauderdale, New York-JFK, Orlando
 LATAM Chile	Santiago de Chile
 LATAM Colombia	Bogota
 LATAM Peru	Lima
 LOT Polish Airlines	Charter: Varsovia-Chopin
 Lufthansa operated by Lufthansa CityLine	Seasonal: Frankfurt
 Magnicharters	Mexico City, Guadalajara, León/El Bajío, Monterrey Seasonal Charter: Aguascalientes, Chihuahua, San Luis Potosí
 Maya Island Air	Belize City
MAYAir	Chetumal, Cozumel, Mérida, Veracruz, Villahermosa
 Neos	Programmed Charter: Milan-Malpensa, Roma-Fiumicino
 Novair	Charter: Gothenburg

Airline	Destination
 Nordwind Airlines	Moscu-Sheremetievo
 Orbest	Lisboa
 Southwest Airlines	Atlanta, Baltimore, Chicago-Midway, Denver, Fort Lauderdale, Houston-Hobby, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Nashville, San Luis (MO) Seasonal: Austin, San Antonio
 Spirit Airlines	Baltimore, Chicago-O'Hare, Dallas/Foth Worth, Detroit, Fort Lauderdale, Houston-Intercontinental
 Sun Country Airlines	Dallas/Foth Worth, Fort Myers, Minneapolis- Saint Paul
 Sunwing Airlines	Calgary, Edmonton, Montreal-Trudeau, Quebec, Toronto-Pearson, Vancouver Seasonal: Bagotville, Halifax, Kelowna, London (ON), Regina, San Juan, Saskatoon, Sault Ste. Marie, Thunder Bay, Winnipeg
 Thomson Airways	Birmingham, London-Gatwick, London- Stansted, Manchester Seasonal: Bristol, Copenhagen, East Midlands, Edinburg, Glasgow, Helsinki, Newcastle upon Tyne, Oslo-Gardermoen, Stockholm-Arlanda Seasonal Charter: Dublin
 Tropic Air	Belize City
 TUI Airlines Netherlands	Amsterdam
 TUIfly	Seasonal Charter: Hamburg, Varsovia-Chopin
 TUIfly Belgium	Brussels
 TUIfly Nordic	Seasonal Charter: Copenhagen, Stockholm- Arlanda, Gothenburg, Oslo-Gardermoen
 United Airlines	Chicago-O'Hare, Denver, Houston- Intercontinental, Los Angeles, Newark, San Francisco, Washington-Dulles Seasonal: Austin, Cleveland, New Orleans, San Antonio

Airline	Destination
 Vacation Express	Seasonal Charter: Atlanta, Birmingham (AL), Buffalo, Charlotte, Chicago/Rockford, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus (OH), Indianapolis, Memphis, Nashville, New Orleans, Pittsburgh, Raleigh/Durham, Richmond
 Virgin America	Los Angeles, San Francisco
 Virgin Atlantic Airways	London-Gatwick
 Viva Aerobus	Mexico City, Juarez City, Guadalajara, Leon/El Bajío, Monterrey, Puebla, Queretaro, Reynosa, Tampico, Tuxtla Gutierrez, Veracruz, Villahermosa
 Volaris	Aguascalientes, Guatemala City, Mexico City, Guadalajara, Leon/Bajío, Monterrey, Puebla, Queretaro, San Jose Costa Rica, San Juan, San Luis Potosí, Tijuana, Toluca, Tuxtla Gutierrez, Veracruz, Villahermosa, Seasonal: Chihuahua, Juarez City Seasonal Charter: Newark
 Wamos Air	Charter: Madrid
 WesJet	Calgary, Edmonton, Montreal-Trudeau, Toronto-Pearson, Vancouver Seasonal: Halifax, Hamilton, Kelowna, Moncton, Ottawa, Regina, Saskatoon, Victoria, Winnipeg
 Wingo	Bogota
 XL Airways France	Paris-Charles de Gaulle

Airport Transfers

Programmed Transfers

If you want to reserve your transfer through the link, please click here

<https://www.epic.com.mx/microsurgery/transfer/index.html>

Taxis

Hotels are 25 minutes away from the airport.

A taxi to the hotel costs direct in the airport are:

- A car for 1 to 4 people has a cost - \$21.00 USD single way
- A minivan for 1 to 7 people has a cost - \$35.00 USD single way
- A van for 1 to 9 people has a cost - \$40 USD single way

For your comfort, it is better to take a car instead of the bus. But if you want to take the bus, the company recommended cost is \$5 USD to the hotel zone (although it is not recommended for those with large amounts of luggage).

Rental Car

In the airport, you will find rental companies such as Alamo, America, Budget, Dollar, Europcar, Firefly, Hertz, Mex Rent a Car, National, and Thrifty in domestic and international flights.

Banking and Currency

Decimal currency is used in Mexico with the Mexican peso (1 USD = MXN 21.00). (Conversion is not exact and subject to change). Bills come in \$500, \$200, \$100, \$50, and \$20 denominations, and coins come in MXN \$20, \$10, \$5, \$2, \$1, and \$50 cents. US dollars are commonly accepted in Cancún with prices listed in Mexican pesos or American dollars.

You will find currency exchange facilities and ATMs available in hotels, banks, malls and airports. Credit cards are accepted at most shops and restaurants.

Business Hours

Business office hours in Mexico are generally from Monday to Friday 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Climate and Clothing

The average temperature in Cancun is 25 °C (77 °F), humidity can increase this by around 10 °C (50 °F). The rain season is between June and October.

We recommend taking light clothes, short pants and a sweater or jacket for the evenings. You should use casual clothing for restaurants and night clubs.

It is important to wear sunglasses with a UV filter, insect repellent and sunscreen. (preferably biodegradable). It is recommended to bring a swimsuit and sealed bags in case you travel with wet clothes.

Electricity

The electrical outlets have a current of 110V. Hotels often offer voltage converters but we recommend you bring your own converter. The typical three-pin power outlet is hard to find.

Dining Out

There is a large variety of restaurants in Cancún. However, most commonly, you will find seafood, Mexican and Tex-Mex restaurants.

In Kukulcan Avenue you will find different bars, clubs, and restaurants of all kinds.

Good and services tax

According to Mexican VAT regulations a non-Mexican organizer will not pay VAT for the goods and services as defined below and rendered in Mexico as of January 1st, 2014. The VAT Benefit applies only for nonresidents of Mexico attending the event and is only applicable up to one (1) day before and one (1) day after program's official dates.

The goods and services that will not have this tax are:

- Accommodations
- Food & Beverage
- Audiovisual Equipment (when contracted and provided directly by the Hotel)
- Theme Party Décor
- Meeting Room rental and set up services when applicable
- Security (when contracted and provided directly by the Hotel)
- Hostess (when contracted and provided directly by the Hotel)

All attendees should have the immigration document (tourist card) provided to all international visitors upon arrival to Mexico and their passport. Such documents must be properly stamped by the immigration authorities and valid at least for the duration of the Program. Program attendees will provide these immigration documents to the Hotel upon arrival.

For VAT Benefit to apply to individual participants who are paying their bills upon checkout, payments must be made by a Credit Card issued abroad.

The corporations that have 0% VAT implemented are hotels and motels registered in the Internal Revenue Service and venues, such as convention and show centers.

All other taxes imposed by the Mexican government still apply, such as room occupancy tax.

It is important to consider that this would only apply in programmed events in the hotels or ICC. VAT in Mexico is 16%, lodging tax 3%, and gratuities 15%.

Insurance

Registration fees do not include insurance. We recommend that at the time of your registration to the Congress, you take an insurance policy of your choice. It could include:

- Loss of fees/deposit because of cancellation of your participation in the Congress or in case of Congress cancellation.
- Loss of domestic or international flights
- Failure to assist to pre-booked tours due to airline delay.
- Medical expenses (including sickness and accident cover)
- Loss or damage to personal property
- Additional expenses and repatriation should travel arrangements be changed

The Conference Organizers cannot take any responsibility for any participant falling to arrange their own insurance. The insurance must be purchased in your country of origin.

Language

The official language in Mexico is Spanish. Many Cancun inhabitants speak English at shops, restaurants, hotels and touristic areas.

English is the official language of WSRM Congress.

Medications

Medicine brought into Mexico for personal use is subject to controls and must be declared on arrival. It is recommended you bring a prescription or letter from your doctor outlining your medical condition and the medicine you are carrying. For more detailed information to this website:

<https://www.gob.mx/tramites/ficha/permiso-sanitario-de-importacion-de-medicamentos-destinados-a-uso-personal/COFEPRIS693>.

Passport and Immigration (VISA)

Visa Politics in Mexico, allowed citizens of the countries mentioned below to enter the country without a VISA:

<http://www.inm.gob.mx/gobmx/word/index.php/paises-no-requieren-visa-para-mexico/>

You will need to travel with your passport, which will be asked when you enter the country.

Countries that do not appear on the list, would have to obtain a transit VISA following the next steps:

<http://www.sectur.gob.mx/guia-de-viaje/visa/>

Privacy

Goods for personal use, such as clothing, footwear, and hygiene and beauty products, provided they are consistent with the duration of the trip, including a bridal outfit; articles for babies, such as a chair, portable crib, stroller, walker, among others, including accessories.

Two photographic or video recording cameras; photographic material; three portable cell phone computers or other wireless networks; global positioning equipment (GPS); an electronic agenda; portable computer equipment of the so-called laptop, notebook, OmniBook or similar; a portable copier or printer; a burner and a portable projector, with its accessories.

Two personal sports teams are four fishing rods, three gliders with or without a sail, and their accessories, trophies or recognition, as long as they can be commonly and normally carried by the passenger.

A portable apparatus for the recording or reproduction of sound; or two digital images and sound recording or playback and a portable DVD player; a set of portable speakers, and their accessories.

Five laserdiscs, 10 DVDs, 30 compact discs, three software installation packages, and five storage devices for any electronic equipment.

Books, magazines, and printed documents.

Five toys, including collectibles, and a video game console, as well as five video games.

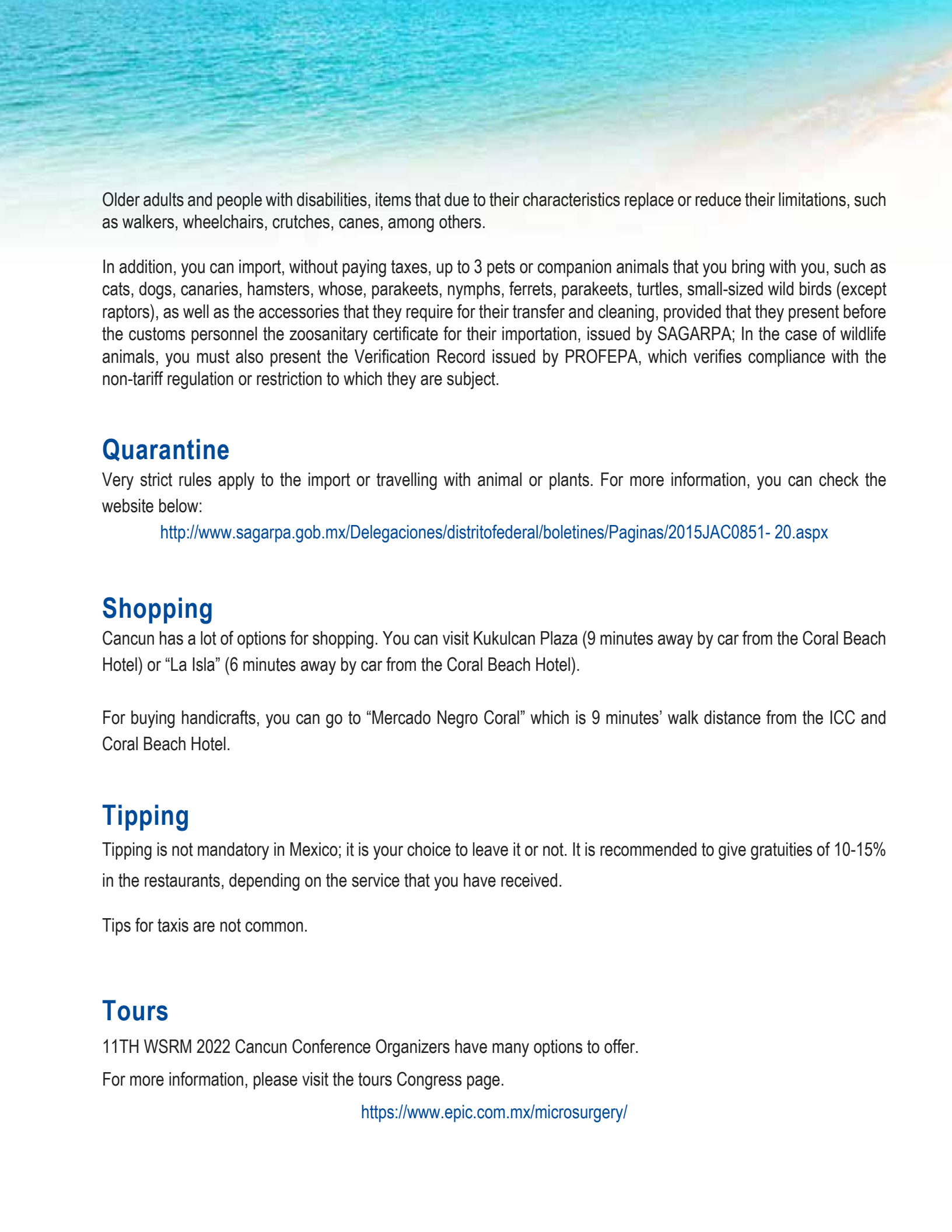
A device to measure blood pressure and one to measure glucose or mixed and its reagents, as well as medications for personal use (in the case of psychotropic substances, the prescription must be shown).

Suitcases, pouches, trunks, or any other item necessary for the transfer of luggage. A binocular and a telescope.

Two musical instruments and their accessories. A tent and other camping gear.

A set of hand tools with its case, which may include a drill, pliers, keys, sockets, screwdrivers, power cables, among others.

Passengers over 18 years of age can bring a maximum of 10 packs of cigarettes, 25 cigars, or 200 grams of tobacco; up to 3 liters of alcoholic beverages and 6 liters of wine.



Older adults and people with disabilities, items that due to their characteristics replace or reduce their limitations, such as walkers, wheelchairs, crutches, canes, among others.

In addition, you can import, without paying taxes, up to 3 pets or companion animals that you bring with you, such as cats, dogs, canaries, hamsters, whose, parakeets, nymphs, ferrets, parakeets, turtles, small-sized wild birds (except raptors), as well as the accessories that they require for their transfer and cleaning, provided that they present before the customs personnel the zoosanitary certificate for their importation, issued by SAGARPA; In the case of wildlife animals, you must also present the Verification Record issued by PROFEPA, which verifies compliance with the non-tariff regulation or restriction to which they are subject.

Quarantine

Very strict rules apply to the import or travelling with animal or plants. For more information, you can check the website below:

<http://www.sagarpa.gob.mx/Delegaciones/distritofederal/boletines/Paginas/2015JAC0851-20.aspx>

Shopping

Cancun has a lot of options for shopping. You can visit Kukulcan Plaza (9 minutes away by car from the Coral Beach Hotel) or “La Isla” (6 minutes away by car from the Coral Beach Hotel).

For buying handicrafts, you can go to “Mercado Negro Coral” which is 9 minutes’ walk distance from the ICC and Coral Beach Hotel.

Tipping

Tipping is not mandatory in Mexico; it is your choice to leave it or not. It is recommended to give gratuities of 10-15% in the restaurants, depending on the service that you have received.

Tips for taxis are not common.

Tours

11TH WSRM 2022 Cancun Conference Organizers have many options to offer.

For more information, please visit the tours Congress page.

<https://www.epic.com.mx/microsurgery/>



Timezone

Mexico has 4 standard time zones:

- Central Standard Time (Central Zone) is equal to Coordinated Universal Time minus UTC
- 5 hours
- Mountain Standard Time (Pacific Zone) is equal to Coordinated Universal Time minus UTC
- 6 hours
- Pacific Standard Time (Northwest Zone) is equal to Coordinated Universal Time minus UTC
- 7 hours.
- **Eastern Standard Time (Southeast Zone) is equal to Coordinated Universal Time minus UTC –
5 hours**

Vaccination

There is no vaccination required for entering Mexico. However, Mexico has some zones with a lot of vegetation some vaccinations are recommended:

- Dengue
- Hepatitis A and B (if you haven't suffered this disease)
- Typhoid fever
- Tetanus-Diphtheria