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## Official Opening Ceremony



His Excellency Sheikh Abdullah Bin Nasser Bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Prime Minister and Minister of Interior will officially open the 12<sup>th</sup> edition of Milipol Qatar on **29 October 2018**.

**His Excellency  
Sheikh Abdullah Bin Nasser Bin Khalifa Al-Thani**

## Opening Times



- 29-30 October: from 9.30 am to 5.00 pm
- 31 October: from 9.30 am to 4.00 pm

## Doha Exhibition and Convention Centre (DECC)

The «Doha Exhibition and Convention Centre» is located in «West Bay» at the heart of the Doha's business district, and surrounded by big shopping malls, luxury hotels and in a few minutes away from the popular «Corniche» waterfront.

### Doha Exhibition and Convention Centre

Lusail Expy, Doha, Qatar

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Under the patronage of H.H. Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al-Thani, the Emir of the State of Qatar, on behalf of the Ministry of Interior in Qatar, and as Chairman of Milipol Qatar, I wish to welcome you to the **12<sup>th</sup> Milipol Qatar event**, the leading event dedicated to Homeland Security in the Middle East. Milipol Qatar 2018 incorporates the Civil Defence Exhibition and Conference and becomes the **Global Security & Safety event**.

I am proud to welcome you at Doha for this major event, which will be held **29-31 October 2018** at the Doha Exhibition and Convention Center (DECC).

Wishing you a fruitful participation to Milipol Qatar and a very pleasant stay at Doha, I am pleased to introduce this document which will help you to discover Qatar and prepare your venue and stay.

"Marhaba, Ahlan Wa Sahlan".



**Major General Nasser Bin Fahad Al-Thani**  
Milipol Qatar Committee Chairman

# QATAR PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Doha, in Arabic language, means « the big tree »

Arabic is the official and main language but English is widely spoken in every part of the country.

Qatar is an Islamic state and as such a **few rules must be followed and greetings and formalities are particularly important**

- Do not refused the welcome coffee. It is an hospitality symbol.
- Use your right hand to eat and drink
- You will be invited to sit on the floor with crossed legs
- Public displays of affection between men and women are discouraged
- Consuming **alcohol** elsewhere than on licensed premises or at home is **prohibited**
- The country applies a **zero-tolerance attitude to drugs**
- Watch out for **separate counters and sections** for women in banks and utilities
- Do not ask an Arab lady for information or directions if you are a man
- Most Qatari people **feel honored to see their guests speaking a few words in Arabic**



## LEARN THE BASICS !

Hello, Welcome = marhaba

Hello, peace to be upon you = assalamo alaykum

Goodbye = ma'salaama

Please = min fadlak

Thank you = shukran

God willing =insha'Allah



Local time is GMT +3 hours. Qatar does not use daylight saving time.

Working week: Sunday – Thursday (Fridays and Saturdays are days off)

**Shop times:**

8.30am-12.30pm and 4.00pm-9.00pm



Qatar has a desert climate with long, hot summers (from May to October) and rather mild winters.

Seasonal climate averages:

Spring: 15 to 35°C - Summer: 25 to 50°C - Fall: 15 to 35°C - Winter: 7 to 25°C



The international dialling code for Qatar is +974

Dial 00 to call out



1 Qatari Riyal (QR) = €0.25 & US\$ 0.27 (January 2016)



Sole number for fire, police and ambulance: **dial 999**

No specific vaccin compulsory but Hepatits A and B vaccines are recommended.

Be sure about the Diphteria, Tetanos and Poliomyelitis vaccines



Electrical current is 240/220 volts AC; 50Hz. Adapters: you will find rectangular blade plugs (UK style)



In Doha, you can eat food from all over the Middle East. The Qatari food is based with camel milk, dates, grilled meats. Taste: hummus, eggplant caviar, spiced bulgur, ...



**The Fanar, islamic cultural centre - The Museum of Islamic Art - The Katar Valley of Cultures - The Mathaf - The Souq Waqif - The City Centre - The Corniche - The Pearl**

→ More: [www.explore-qatar.com](http://www.explore-qatar.com) & [www.qatartourism.gov.qa](http://www.qatartourism.gov.qa)

# YOUR TRAVEL TO DOHA

## A VISA IS MANDATORY TO COME TO QATAR

### Residents of 33 approved countries below

can obtain their tourist visa (valid one month) on arrival at the airport. It will cost 100 QR (around €22 or \$27,5) - Credit card is the only mean of payment.



*Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brunei, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, San Marino, Singapore, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, U.S.A and Vatican.* Citizens of these countries may also get their visa before they arrive in the country while booking their hotel.

**Travelers from other countries must apply for a visa before they arrive in Qatar.** It will be issued by a Qatar embassy.

There is also a temporary business visa (valid for 72 hours).

More: [www.moi.gov.qa](http://www.moi.gov.qa)

You will land at the Doha International Airport, only commercial airport in Qatar. More than 40 airlines companies are available.



## Beware: Doha is hosting a lot of events during the year. Please do not wait for booking your hotel!



Doha offers a great variety of accommodation for every budget from the Qatar's finest hotels including premium services to standard hotels. You can choose your hotel from a wide offer (from finest hotels to medium accommodation) thanks to DECC's city-center location.

You can also find a list of hotels close to the DECC on: [www.decc.qa/about-qatar/accomodation/](http://www.decc.qa/about-qatar/accomodation/)

More: [www.qatartourism.gov.qa](http://www.qatartourism.gov.qa)

**Car rental** remains the easiest way for travelling in Doha since the costs (rental and gas) are not expensive.



Several car rental companies operate to/from the airport and the city centre.

From the airport, drive in the direction of «West Bay» or follow the «Corniche» until you arrive in the city centre.

More: [www.dohahamadairport.com](http://www.dohahamadairport.com)

## TAXIS

Most visitors rely on taxis to get around town. Karwa taxis are widely available and reasonably priced; their meters start at QR4 and run at QR1.20 per km. To order a taxi in advance (for an extra charge of QR4), please call +974 4458 8888.



Most hotels will hail a taxi for you, and may have their own limousine service, especially for airport transfers.

## EXHIBITORS FOCUS

Before landing in Doha, **contact your local embassy** to get the information needed for your stay in Qatar and be sure you benefit from all the business and contact opportunities in Qatar.

### Fret and Customs

Plan to work with an agent in charge of the coordinating customs clearance, on-site goods handling and freight forwarding. Milipol Qatar recommends Premier Showfreight Ltd – [info@premiershowfreight.com](mailto:info@premiershowfreight.com) – [www.premiershowfreight.com](http://www.premiershowfreight.com)

The goods imported for the purpose of exhibition are treated as temporary imports and exempted from customs duty. Please contact your usual freight forwarder to collect relevant information and procedures. Despite the Qatari authorities facilitating customs procedure for Milipol Qatar exhibitors, you are advised **not to carry any exhibit** to be displayed **as hand luggage** when entering Qatar **or it will certainly be confiscated.**

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