



Travel Alert: Uganda

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Uganda Travel Alert

The State Department alerts U.S. citizens residing in or traveling to Uganda to the upcoming general elections scheduled for February 18, and local elections scheduled between February 24 and March 10. U.S. citizens are urged to exercise caution and remain abreast of the security situation throughout the electoral period. This Travel Alert expires on March 31, 2016.

The State Department recommends U.S. citizens maintain a high level of security awareness leading up to, during, and following the election period. U.S. citizens should avoid political rallies, polling centers, demonstrations, and crowds of any kind as gatherings intended to be peaceful can become confrontational and turn violent. Review your personal security plans; remain aware of your surroundings, including local events; and monitor local news stations for updates. Although there is no indication that U.S. citizens may be targets of violence, you are urged to exercise caution and stay current with media coverage of local events. Monitor local media for any changes in the election schedule. General election results are expected to be announced within a week of the election. For more information about security conditions in Uganda, please see the Country Specific Information page for Uganda. For further information:

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See the State Department's travel website for the Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Country Specific Information for Uganda.

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Contact the U.S. Embassy in Uganda, located at Plot 1577 Ggaba Road, Kamapala, at :+(256)(0) 414-306-001 and +(256)(0)312-306-001 or e-mail at KampalaUSCitizen@state.gov. The Embassy is open Monday-Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Friday 7:30 – 12:30 a.m. For after-hours emergencies, U.S. citizens should call +(256)(0) 414-306-001 and ask to speak with the Embassy duty officer.

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