

# 2019 Guide to Living in **KOREA**

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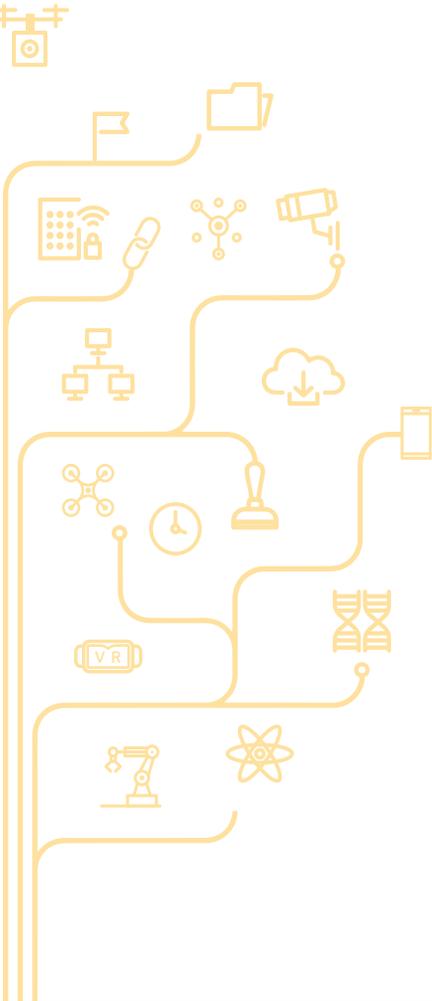
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# 01 Country Overview

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## Country Overview

### Quick Facts About Korea

Located at the eastern end of the Asian continent, the country is widely referred to as Korea but its official name is the Republic of Korea. Because the Korean peninsula is divided into North Korea and South Korea, the Republic of Korea is also called South Korea. The country comprises of the southern half of the peninsula and around 3,000 islands. Geographically, Korea is classified as Northeast Asia along with its neighbors China and Japan.



National flag: Taegeukgi

Korea is divided into one special city (teukbyeolsi), six metropolitan cities (gwangyeoksi), eight provinces (do), one special autonomous city (teukbyeol Jachisi) and one special autonomous province (teukbyeol Jachido). These are further subdivided into a variety of smaller entities, such as cities (si), counties (gun), districts (gu), towns (eup), townships (myeon), neighborhoods (dong) and villages (ri).



National flower: Rose of Sharon

Administrative districts: Seoul Metropolitan Government, Busan Metropolitan City, Daegu Metropolitan City, Incheon Metropolitan City, Gwangju Metropolitan City, Daejeon Metropolitan City, Ulsan Metropolitan City, Gyeonggi-do Province, Gangwon-do Province, Sejong Metropolitan Autonomous City, Chungcheongbuk-do Province, Chungcheongnamdo Province, Jeollabuk-do Province, Jeollanam-do Province, Gyeongsangbuk-do Province, Gyeongsangnam-do Province, Jeju Special Self-Governing Province

<b>Country Name</b>	Republic of Korea
<b>Climate</b>	Continental climate with four distinct seasons
<b>Capital</b>	Seoul (designated as the nation's capital in the Joseon Dynasty in 1394)
<b>Total Area</b>	100,188.1km <sup>2</sup> (109 <sup>th</sup> largest in the world)
<b>Population</b>	51,663,000(IMF, '18. 04)
<b>Official Language</b>	Korean
<b>Religion</b>	Buddhism, Protestantism, Catholicism, etc.

<b>National Flower</b>	Rose of Sharon
<b>National Flag</b>	Taegeukgi
<b>Time Zone</b>	GMT + 9 hours
<b>Form of Government</b>	Democratic republic
<b>GDP</b>	GDP 16,932 Billion\$(IMF, '18. 04)
<b>National Currency</b>	Won (KRW)
<b>Main Industries</b>	Semiconductors, automobiles, shipbuilding, flat panel display, petroleum products, etc.

Source: Statistics Office,Source: International Monetary Fund (Last updated Apr. 2018)





## Public Holidays in Korea

There are a total of 15 days of public holidays in Korea. However, with the introduction of the substitute holiday system in 2013, the average number of annual public holidays is expected to increase by 1.1 days.

Public Holiday	Date	Note
New Year's Day	January 1	-
Lunar New Year's Day (Seollal)	January 1 (Lunar New Year's Day) February 5, 2019 Lunar New Year's Day (Solar Calendar)	Seollal was abolished during the Japanese colonial rule, but was reinstated as a public holiday and became a three-day holiday in 1989. People eat tteokguk (rice cake soup) and bow (sebae) to the elders.
Independence Movement Day (Samiljeol)	March 1	Celebrates the nation-wide independence movement on Mar. 1, 1919
Buddha's Birthday	April 8 (Lunar Calendar)	The biggest celebration day for Buddhists
Children's Day	May 5	-
Memorial Day	June 6	Honors the soldiers and patriots who died defending the nation.
Liberation Day (Gwangbokjeol)	August 15	Celebrates Korea's liberation from Japanese colonial rule in 1945. It is also the only national holiday celebrated by both North and South Korea.
Chuseok (Korean Thanksgiving Day)	August 15 (lunar calendar) September 13, 2019 Chuseok (Solar Calendar)	Chuseok is one of the year's most important traditional holidays. Chuseok is often referred to as Korean Thanksgiving Day. People eat songpyeon (half moon-shaped rice cake), do seongmyo (visiting ancestral graves and making a formal bow of gratitude) and perform charye (an ancestral ritual service).
National Foundation Day (Gaecheonjeol)	October 3	Celebrates the foundation of Dangun Joseon, the first kingdom on the Korean peninsula.
Hangul Day	October 9	Celebrates the creation of Hangul, the Korean alphabet. Hangul Day was reinstated as a public holiday in 2012
Christmas	December 25	-

## Other Memorial Days (Not Public Holidays)

- Arbor Day April 5
- Labor Day May 1
- Parents' Day May 8
- Teacher's Day May 15
- Constitution Day July 17



## ※ Substitute Holiday Policy for Seollal, Chuseok, and Children's Day (implemented Nov. 5, 2013)

If Seollal (lunar new year's day) holidays or Chuseok holidays coincide with other public holidays or if Children's Day falls on Saturday or other public holidays, then the immediately following non-holiday day is designated as a substitute holiday.

**Example:** The 2015 Chuseok holidays (Sep. 26 – 28) included a Sunday, so Sep. 29 was designated as a substitute holiday.



## Weather

### Spring

March-May: The weather is cold in the morning and at night, and warm in the afternoon. Many beautiful flowers and trees grow and bloom throughout the season. You will still need warm winter clothes in March, but light clothes are recommended from April. There are often hot summery days in May.

### Summer

June-August: The weather is hot, ranging from 25°C to 35°C. The rainy season starts at the end of June and lasts to the end of July. However, this does not mean it rains everyday throughout this period. There are a few storms with heavy rain and wind from August to September.

### Fall

September-November: The weather starts to get colder, ranging from 10°C to 25°C. There are some winter-like cold days in November, so it is recommended to start preparing some winter clothes and heating devices. The sight of vividly colored autumn leaves is enchanting during this time of the year.

### Winter

December-February: The weather is very cold, ranging from -10°C to 10°C. Normally, there are three cold days followed by four less cold days and this cycle repeats throughout the season. Many days will be accompanied by snow and cold wind. Warm clothes and heating devices are a must. The weather gets fairly warm by the end of February.





## Interesting Facts About Korea

### **Korea is the world's only aid recipient-turned-donor nation**

Korea received development aid worth US\$ 33 billion over 55 years from 1945 to 1999 to recover from Japanese colonial rule (1910-1945) and the Korean War (1950-1953) and to achieve economic development. However, in 1987, Korea started giving aid, and became an active donor nation by establishing the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) in 2001. In 2009, Korea's status as an aid donor nation was officially recognized by the UN, and Korea remains the only aid recipient-turned-donor nation in the world.

### **The only divided country left in the world**

Following the armistice agreement in July, 1953, Korea was separated into North Korea and South Korea along the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel. Korea still remains separated, and became the only divided country left in the world after the reunification of Germany and Vietnam.

### **A country where many different religions peacefully coexist**

Korea has many different religions, and is religiously tolerant. Buddhism, Christianity and Catholicism are the main religions, and there are many other religions such as Islamic, Won Buddhism, Confucianism and Shamanism. The fact that Korea celebrates national holidays that represent different religions, such as Buddha's Birthday (Buddhism), Gaecheonjeol (mythical founding of the nation) and Christmas (Christianity and Catholicism) reflects Korea's religious diversity. Foreigners who come from a country in which the majority of its people believe in a certain religion are often surprised to see churches, Buddhist temples and other places of worship all in one neighborhood. However, because roughly 40 percent of the population is non-religious, it is best to avoid religious topics when having conversations with Koreans.





# 02 Economy and Industry

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# Economy and Industry

## Korea's core industry

Korea is a global leader in a wide range of industrial sectors. Already, 223 Fortune 500 companies have entered Korea, and are working with local businesses to increase their global market share.

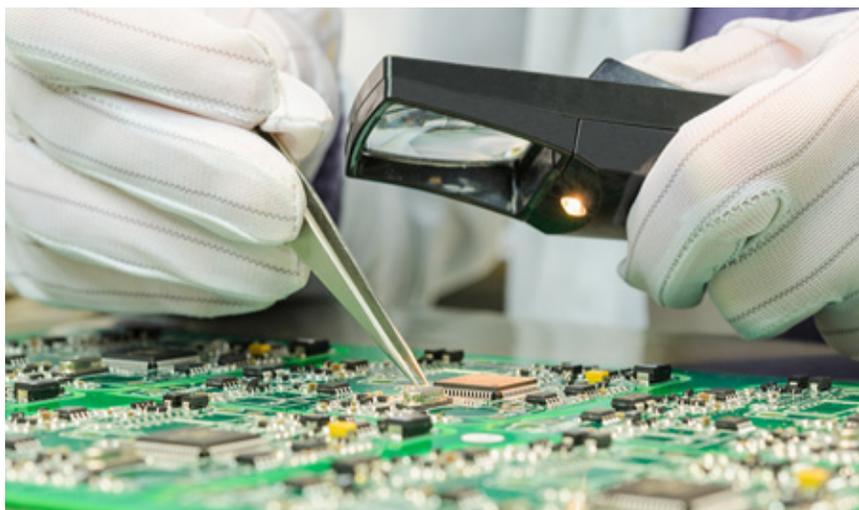
## Overview of the Korean economy

The Korean economy is basically a mixed economy system. Along with China, Hong Kong and Singapore, it was called 'the four Asian tigers (or dragons)' due to its rapid economic growth. According to the International Monetary Fund (IMF)'s report in 2017, Korea's per capital nominal GDP is USD 29,730 and its GDP ranked 11th in the world with USD 1 trillion 529.7 billion.



## GDP Ranking (2018)

No.	Country	GDP\$(trillion)
1	United States of America	20.513
2	China	13.4572
3	Japan	5.0706
4	Germany	4.0291
5	United Kingdom	2.8089
6	France	2.7946
7	India	2.6899
8	Italy	2.0869
9	Brazil	1.9093
10	Canada	1.7337
11	Republic of Korea	1.6556

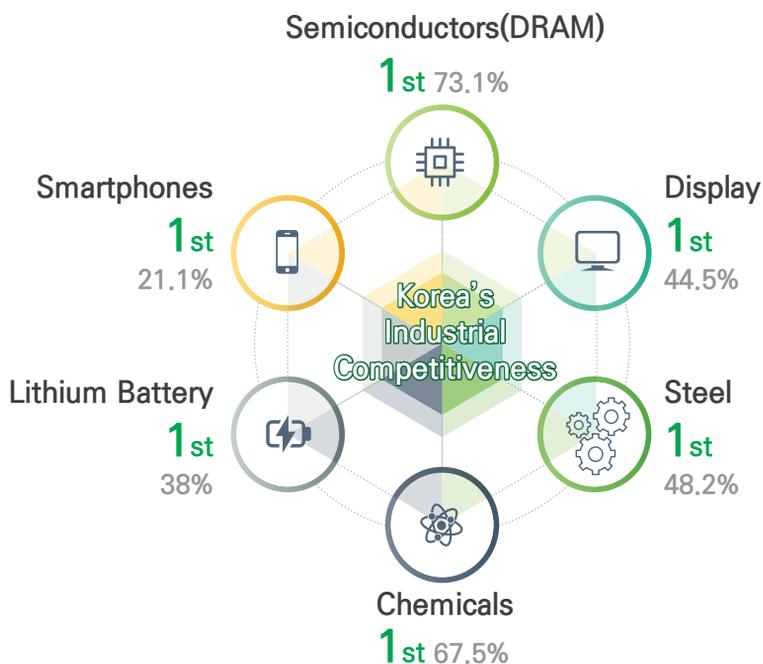


Due to its lack of capital, Korea developed a unique type of economy, in which conglomerates (or chaebol) form the pillar of the economy rather than small and medium sized enterprises. Also, as the country does not produce enough natural resources, it introduced an export-led economic growth policy based on processing trade. As a result, a large part of the country's economy depends on export and import, and its major trade counterparts include China, U.S., Japan, Taiwan, Germany, U.K., Indonesia and Malaysia. Samsung is Korea's largest corporate group and there are other well-known groups such as Hyundai, LG and POSCO. Out of the 500 top companies in the world, 17 are Korean.



## Number One in the World

Traditionally, Korea is a powerhouse in the manufacturing industry, with exceptional technological ability and production capacity. It maintains the world's largest market share in high-tech manufacturing for semiconductors, smartphones and displays, and prides itself in being a top 10 nation in terms of manufacturing competitiveness. (Korea is the world's leading manufacturer of semiconductors, displays, smartphones, lithium batteries, chemicals and steel.) Korea is preparing for the industrial era of the future on a foundation of strong competitiveness in manufacturing and technological capabilities that meet or exceed global standards. It is to take pre-emptive response to the Fourth Industrial Revolution and take active measures to the paradigm shift of the industry. It continues to make bold investments and support in a long-term perspective.





# 03 Family Culture

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- Characteristics of the Korean Family
- Language Etiquette
- Manners and Etiquette for Special Occasions





# Family Culture



## Characteristics of the Korean family

The traditional Korean family is a large family of many generations with Confucianism at its roots, but the modern form of family in Korea is a nuclear family consisting of parents and their children. Generally, children move out of the house when they grow up and get married, although some leave their parents and live independently when they become an adult. Because children tend to live longer with their parents compared to other countries, the Korean family is very tight-knit.



## Language Etiquette

The Korean language uses different expressions and terms depending on the age and status of the person being addressed, and relationship and intimacy with the person. The Korean language employs forms of honorific speech and normal speech.

- If the person you are addressing is older than you or occupies a higher position, you should use honorific speech. You should also use this form of speech when you are talking in public places.
- If the person you are addressing is your friend or your subordinate, you should use the normal form of speech. You should also use this form of speech when you are talking to children.



## Manners and Etiquette for Special Occasions

### Wedding

Wedding ceremonies in Korea today usually take place at a commercial wedding hall, hotel or church whereas traditional Korean weddings were held at the bride's house. Traditionally, all guests to a wedding need to prepare a gift money of some appropriate amount for the bride or groom. Guests to a wedding ceremony need to dress appropriately to respect and celebrate the occasion. Men should wear suits and women should avoid white or pink and should not wear anything dressier than the bride's wedding dress.

In Korea today, most wedding ceremonies and receptions take place at separate venues and guests are led to a reception hall for dining although some ceremonies are held at a dining hall with guests served with food. After the ceremony the bride and groom change to Korean traditional garments called Hanbok and move to a special venue where the traditional Pyebaek ritual takes place.

### Funeral

A three-day funeral is common in Korea. The best time to visit is between 09:00 to 23:00 on the second day because the funeral parlor may not be ready on the first, and the coffin is carried out first thing in the morning on the third day. Mourners - both men and women - visiting the funeral house are expected to wear a black suit with black tie and shoes although other dark colors such as dark blue or gray will also be acceptable. On arriving at the funeral house, mourners exchange bows with the bereaved family members before paying their respect to the deceased person by offering incense. The incense offering is traditionally followed by two deep bows to the portrait before exchanging a single bow with the bereaved family and a word of condolence. Christians tend to give gentle nods rather than deep bows to express their condolence.





# 04

## Food Culture

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- Everyday Food
- Korea's Staple Foods
- Korea's Popular Foods





# Food Culture



## Everyday Food

Koreans enjoy eating together and sharing their food. If they invite guests, they tend to serve better food than their usual food. A typical Korean meal mainly consists of steamed rice, soup, and side dishes. Types of soup include guk (soup), tang (soup or stew) and jjigye (stew), while the huge variety of side dishes includes seasoned vegetables, steamed dishes, boiled dishes, grilled dishes, stir-fried dishes, deep-fried dishes, and pancake dishes. However, the most representative side dish is of course kimchi. As an alternative to steamed rice, there are various noodle dishes (hot noodle soup, cold buckwheat noodles), sujebi (hand-pulled dough soup), and tteok (rice cake).



## Korea's Staple Foods

### Steamed rice

Steamed rice is a staple in almost all Korean meals and Koreans prefer sticky rice. Barley, beans and other grains are also added to rice.

### Kimchi

Kimchi is a staple side dish served at almost every meal. Kimchi not only tastes great but is highly nutritional and easy to store. Vegetables such as radish, nappa cabbage, and cucumber are salted and seasoned with chili, garlic, green onion, ginger, and fermented fish; and are then sealed in a pot and left to ferment for a certain period. Winter kimchi (or gimjang) is prepared during late November to early December for the cold season when fresh nappa cabbage is not readily available. Koreans usually get together with their close relatives to make large amounts of winter kimchi.



## Guk (soup), Tang (soup or stew), Jjigye (stew), Jeongol (hot pot)

A typical Korean meal consists of a bowl of rice, kimchi, one type of soup or stew, and several side dishes served all at once. Vegetables, meat, seafood, fish and various other ingredients are used, and many different cooking methods are used. Some of the most popular and widely eaten soup, stew and side dishes are as follows.

### • Soup and stew

- **Miyeok-guk:** Soup made with seaweed. Koreans eat this soup on their birthday.
- **Kongnamul-guk:** Soybean sprout soup.
- **Seollong-tang:** A rich soup made by simmering ox bones, brisket, and other cuts of beef for many hours.
- **Kimchi-Jjigye:** Kimchi stew boiled with pork, vegetables and other ingredients.
- **Doenjang-Jjigye:** Soybean paste stew boiled with tofu, radish, mushroom and onion.



### • Side dishes

- **Bulgogi:** Thinly sliced beef marinated in sweet soy-based sauce and stir-fried with vegetables.
- **Galbi:** Grilled marinated beef or pork ribs.
- **Jeyuk-bokkeum:** Pork seasoned in spicy sauce and stir-fried with assorted vegetables.
- **Saengseon-gui:** Salted or seasoned grilled fish.
- **Saengseon-jorim:** Fish and vegetables braised with soy sauce and seasoning.



## Korea's Popular Foods

### Samgyeopsal (Grilled pork belly)



One of the most popular pork dishes in Korea, Samgyeopsal is a favored menu when dining out with family, friends, or coworkers because it is affordable and appeals to everybody's palate.

Samgyeopsal in Korea is comparable to BBQ in western countries. Some people prefer a thick chunk of pork belly prepared in the form of a steak, but

generally, the pork belly is thinly sliced and grilled with chopped garlic, kimchi, or vegetables of choice. It is then served with lettuce, seasoned green onion, fresh pepper, and grilled kimchi, along with seasonings such as bean paste, hot pepper paste, salt, and sesame oil.

Bibimbap: A traditional and simple dish made by mixing steamed rice with various vegetables, eggs, and red pepper paste altogether. Koreans eat Bibimbap made the traditional way on traditional holidays. It is estimated that Koreans first put Bibimbap on the table almost 500 years ago. It is easy to make and the mixture of various ingredients make it a nutritionally ideal meal.

### Buchimgae/Jeon



Buchimgae and Jeon refer to many pancake-like dishes in Korean cuisine. Meats, seafoods, vegetables and eggs are mixed with flour batter and then pan-fried with oil. Depending on the ingredients of choice, the pancakes are called differently. Examples include pajeon made of spring onion, kimchi jeon made of kimchi and bindaetteok made of ground beans. All go well with makgeolli (Korean rice wine).



## Tteokbokki

Tteokbokki, along with gimbap and odaeng (skewered fish cake), is one of the most common foods sold by street vendors. Rice powder is steamed and made into a long cylinder-shaped rice cake called garaetteok. This rice cake is cut into finger size pieces and cooked in a spicy yet sweet red pepper sauce called gochujang. Fish cakes and vegetables can be added depending on personal tastes.

## Kimbab



Steamed rice is either simply seasoned with salt or with baehapcho, a mixed seasoning of vinegar, sugar and salt. The rice is then placed on a sheet of dried laver. Strips of eggs, eomuk (fish cake), carrot, seasoned spinach and pickled radish are then placed in the middle to be rolled together into a cylinder shape. The roll is then cut into bite-sized pieces. The taste can be quite versatile, depending on the ingredients. Gimbap is a perfect meal option for when you're on the go!

### ◀ TIP

#### Food Delivery in Korea

One of the things you should definitely try in Korea is ordering delivery food. Other countries have delivery services too but Korea's food delivery service is quite unique. First of all, in Korea, almost all kinds of foods can be delivered, including chicken and samgyeopsal (grilled pork belly). The delivery service is very quick and you can order till late at night. Also, you can order food from outdoors as well. For example, if you get hungry enjoying water sports at Han River, one phone call will have the food of your choice delivered.

Recently, you can use smartphone food delivery applications that allow you to choose a menu, order and pay with just a few clicks.





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# 01 VISA

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# VISA

## General Information

### What is a visa?

The meaning of visa differs somewhat depending on the country. An 'entry confirmed' stamp serves as a verification of approval for entry to the country by a foreign national, while the 'recommended for entry' stamp given by the consulate to foreign nationals entering the country serves as only the consulate's recommendation for entry. A visa is considered a consul's recommendation for a foreigner's entry. Therefore, even if one carries a valid visa, entry may be denied if one fails to satisfy the requirements of immigration inspection at the airport.



### Visa issuance procedure

A foreign applicant for a visa should confirm his/her eligibility for staying in Korea according to the purpose of his/her entry into the country, and should submit an application along with the corresponding documents to an overseas Korean consular office.

### Types of visa

Visas are classified into single entry visas and multiple entry visas for two or more entries.

### Location of visa application and issuance

- Location of visa application and issuance: Korean embassies or consulates abroad
  - Documents required for visa application: passport, visa application form, other documents depending on the type of visa
- ※ For information on the documents required for the respective purposes of stay, go to [www.hikorea.go.kr](http://www.hikorea.go.kr). Additional or fewer documents may be required as deemed necessary for review.

## Stay permit

Classified into short-term, long-term, and permanent residency according to the length of stay. Long-term stay and permanent residency (F-5) visa holders should register as aliens or declare their local address within 90 days of entering Korea.

- Short-term stay: 90 days or less
- Long-term stay: 91 days or longer
- Eligibility for permanent residency (F-5) status: There is no limit to the length of stay.

## Foreigners' employment and scope of permitted activities

- Foreigners may stay in Korea within the scope of their sojourn status and period. Unless permitted by law, foreigners are forbidden from participating in political activities.
- To seek employment in Korea, foreigners are required to hold a visa that permits employment and should work at the designated workplace only.
- To change or add a workplace within the scope of their sojourn status, foreigners must obtain permission in advance. However, persons appointed by Presidential Decree possessing specialized knowledge, skills, and/or functions may report within 15 days from the date of changing or adding their place of employment.
- Visa types under which employment is permitted are as follows: Short-term employment (C-4), university professor (E-1), foreign language/conversation instructor (E-2), research (E-3), technology transfer (E-4), professional employment (E-5), arts & performances (E-6), special occupation (E-7), nonprofessional employment (E-9), vessel crew (E-10), working visit (H-2)
- ※ Long-term resident (F-2), foreign spouse (F-6), permanent resident (F-5) visa holders: No restrictions apply to employment activities
- ※ Overseas Korean (F-4) visa holders may not engage in simple labor (However, employment in manufacturing is permitted).



## Corporate Investment Visa

### Eligible applicants

1. Indispensable professional specialists who intend to engage in the management, administration, or in the area of production, technology or research of a Korean company that is recognized as a foreign-invested company under the Foreign Investment Promotion Act (corporate investment [D-8-1] visa).
2. Representatives of corporations that have been recognized as "venture businesses" by virtue of possessing superior technology through intellectual properties or whose corporation has been deemed outstanding in terms of technology (corporate investment [D-8-2] visa).
3. Indispensable professional specialists who intend to engage in the management, administration, or in the area of production, technology or research of a company run by a Korean national (individual) which is recognized as a foreign-invested company under the Foreign Investment Promotion Act (corporate investment [D-8-3] visa).
4. Persons with a bachelor's degree or higher who is a company founder owning intellectual property or a technology of equivalence (Corporate investment [D-8-4] visa).

### Visa application

- **Applicant:** The relevant person
- **Location of application:** Korean embassy or consulate

If the applicant has received a visa issuance certificate or a visa issuance certificate number, he/she needs only to submit a passport, a visa issuance application form, and a visa issuance certificate (or visa issuance certificate number).



## Application for visa issuance certificate

- **Applicant:** The relevant person or the inviter
- **Place of application:** The competent immigration office or its liaison office in the location where the inviter has his/her address

The applicant needs to obtain a visa issuance certificate or a visa issuance certificate number, and then apply for a visa at the relevant Korean embassy or consulate.

## Application for change of sojourn status

Foreign investors visiting Korea on a C-3 (Short Term General) visa or without a visa (limited to citizens of countries that have signed a visa waiver agreement with Korea or to citizens of those countries Korea admit without a visa) who could not obtain the D-8 visa before arriving in Korea can apply for change of sojourn status after their arrival before they engage in business activities. Note that the Investment Consulting Center of KOTRA can handle the procedures within a day.

- **Applicant:** The relevant person
- **Place of application:** The competent immigration office of the applicant's location, or the Investment Consulting Center of KOTRA (82-2-3497-1055/1056)

## Documents required for visa application (or visa issuance certificate or application for change of sojourn status)

### ※ More or less documents may be required for review.

- Passport (a copy of passport when applying for visa issuance certificate)
- Visa issuance application or visa issuance certificate application
- A copy of the business license certificate
- Certificate of all matters of corporate registration
- HQ's dispatch order (with the period of dispatch recorded) and employment certificate
- A copy of the foreign invested corporation register
- Foreign exchange declaration certificate (if foreign currencies are hand carried)
- Tax payment certificate
- Original copy of statement of change in shareholders
- Office rental agreement
- Residence lease agreement
- One standard size photo (3.5×4.5cm)

### ※ Additional documents required (For initial investments)

- Record of operating funds (specification of the use of investment funds, bank note and copy of bank note, goods purchase receipt, etc.)
- Documentary evidence of the remittance of investment funds (permission to carry out foreign currency issued by the customs office or bank of the applicant's country, remittance certificate, original copy of foreign currency purchase certificate, customs declaration, etc.)
- Document verifying the business's operating record (import/export notification certificate, B/L, domestic goods purchase certificate, original copy of export/import certificate)
- A photo of the workplace, office space and signboard

## Dependent Family Visa

### Eligible applicants

The spouse of a person eligible for corporate investment (D-8) visa, and his/her children under 20 years of age who have no spouse.

### Visa application

- **Applicant:** The relevant person
- **Place of application:** Korean embassy or consulate

If the applicant has received a visa issuance certificate or a visa issuance certificate number, he/she needs to submit only a passport, a visa issuance application, and a visa issuance certificate (or visa issuance certificate number).

### Visa issuance certificate application

- **Applicant:** The relevant person or the inviter
- **Place of application:** The competent immigration office or its liaison office in the location of the inviter

The applicant needs to be issued with a visa issuance certificate or a visa issuance certificate number. Once that is done, the applicant can apply for a visa at the relevant Korean Embassy or Consulate.

## Application for change of status of sojourn

- **Applicant:** The relevant person
- **Place of application:** The competent immigration office of the applicant's location or the Investment Consulting Center of KOTRA

If the applicant has entered Korea without a visa or is on a short-term visa due to inevitable reasons such as household work arrangements, he/she may apply for a change in stay eligibility. The Investment Consulting Center of KOTRA can handle the procedures within a day.

## Documents required for visa issuance application (or visa issuance certificate, application for change of sojourn status)

### ※ More or less documents may be required for review

- Passport (a copy of passport when applying for visa issuance certificate)
- Visa issuance application or visa issuance certificate application
- Family relationship certificate (marriage certificate, family register or birth certificate)
- Inviter's employment certificate or tax payment certificate
- One standard size photo (3.5 ×4.5cm)
- Processing fee(the amount differs depending on the period of stay)



## Foreign Housekeepers of Foreign Investors and Professional Specialists

### Eligible applicants

Housework assistants who have been employed by the inviting investor or essential specialist personnel for at least one year in an overseas country as of the application date

### Applying for a visa

- Place of application: Korean Embassy or Consulate



You can apply for and obtain the D-8, F-3, and F-1 visa at the Investment Consulting Center.

## Required documents

The head of the Korean consulate may request additional documents if they are deemed necessary for the review of the purpose of entry, intent of invitation, the qualification of the inviter and the invitee, etc.

- Passport
- Visa issuance application
- Fee
- One standard size photo
- Copy of foreign-invested company registration certificate
- Documents proving the employer's income qualifications (local employee's income tax withholding certificate, income certificate, certificate of salary payment, copy of bankbook, etc.)
- Housework assistant employment agreement
- Personal reference certificate
- Diploma or other documents proving the invitee's educational status
- A document proving that the invitee has worked as the inviter's housework assistant for one year or longer
- A copy of the inviter's foreigner registration certificate
- ※ In the case of investors investing under US\$ 500,000 (inviters)
  - Local employees' income tax withholding certificates or income certificates
- ※ In the case of executives of foreign-invested companies
  - Employment certificate





## Granting of Sojourn Status (Foreigners Born in Korea)

### Application for change in stay eligibility

- **Eligible applicants:** Foreigners born in Korea
- **Application period:** Within 90 days of the cause for application (birth)
- **Place of application:** The competent immigration office having jurisdiction over the applicant's address
  - ※ Failure to apply for granting of sojourn status within the said 90 days will incur a fine due to violation of the Immigration Act.
- **Method of application:** The relevant person or his/her proxy should apply to the competent immigration office of his/her location or the Investment Consulting Center of KOTRA.
- **Required documents**
  - Passport
  - Application form
  - Certificate of birth
  - A copy of the alien registration card of the applicant's father or mother
  - Processing fee



## Alien Registration

### Eligible applicants and when to register

- **Eligible applicants**
  - Foreigners who wish to stay for more than 90 days in Korea after entering the country
  - Foreigners who wish to stay in Korea for more than 90 days after they are born in the country and are granted status of sojourn
- **When to register**
  - Within 90 days of entering the country
  - When sojourn status or change of sojourn status is granted (immediate)
- **Place of application:** The competent immigration office having jurisdiction over the applicant's address or the Investment Consulting Center of KOTRA.

## Documents required for alien registration

### • Required documents

- Application form
- Passport
- One standard size photo (3.5×4.5cm) -Processing fee (exempt for corporate investment [D-8] visa holders)
  - ※ Corporate Investment (D-8)
    - A copy of the foreign invested corporation registration certificate
    - A copy of business registration certificate
  - ※ Dependent Family (F-3)
    - A copy of the alien registration card of the accompanying person (the spouse or parents)

## Reissuance of alien registration card

- **Time for application:** Within 14 days of the occurrence of the reason for reissuance
- **Place of application:** The competent immigration office of the applicant's location or the Investment Consulting Center of Invest KOREA
- **Required documents**
  - Passport
  - Application form
  - Document Stating reason for re-issuance application (where lost)
  - Old alien registration card (Exempt when lost)
  - One standard size photo (3.5×4.5cm)
  - Processing fee (exempt for corporate investment [D-8] visa holders)

## Returning the alien registration card

### • When to return

- Foreign nationals should return their alien registration card to immigration control during the immigration inspection upon leaving the country permanently.
- \* A fine will be incurred if the alien registration card is not returned within the above time frame.

## Report of change in alien registration matters

### • Reasons

- Change of name, gender, date of birth and/or nationality
- Change of passport number, issuance date, and/or validity period

- Change of corporate investment (D-8) or trade management (D-9) visa holders' organization or group (including change of name)
- Deadline for report
- Within 14 days of occurrence of the cause for report

- **Required documents**

- Passport and alien registration card
- Report form
- Documents proving the changes

## Extension of Period of Stay

A foreigner who wishes to outstay the permitted stay period in Korea must obtain approval for such an extension of the stay period.

- **Period of application:** From two months before expiry of the stay period to the expiry date

※ Applications for extension after the expiry date will be fined.

- **Method of application**

- The relevant person or his/her proxy needs to apply to the competent immigration office or the Investment Consulting Center of Invest KOREA and submit the required documents.
- However, if the applicant is staying in the country on the application date, he/she is allowed to apply (application from overseas or via a proxy is not allowed).

- **Required documents**

※ More or less documents may be required for review.

- Passport
- Alien registration card
- Application form -A copy of the foreign invested corporation registration certificate (issued by KOTRA or a foreign exchange bank)
- Transfer order on which the dispatch period is specified (may be replaced with a transfer order submitted for report of change in eligibility of stay if the document specifies the dispatch period)
- Individual income tax payment certificate documents: B-class withholding tax receipt or certificate of tax payment
- A copy of the business registration certificate
- A transcript of the corporate registration certificate
- Corporate tax payment certificate
- Documentary evidence of residence (lease contract, etc.)
- Processing fee (exempted for corporate investment [D-8] visa holders)



## Permission of Activities Beyond the Current Status of Sojourn

Foreigners who wish to engage in activities beyond the scope of their current sojourn status must receive permission to do so in advance. Should such activities become full-time and the main purpose of their sojourn, however, they must receive permission to change his/her sojourn status.

### • How to apply

A foreigner or his/her proxy can make an application by preparing and submitting the required documents to the local immigration office. However, corporate investment (D-8) visa holders seeking to engage in activities permitted under the intracompany transfer (D-7) visa and CEOs and other professional specialists intending to give lectures at universities may receive permission through KOTRA.





## Immigration Priority Card Issuance

### What is the Immigration Priority Card?

Immigration Priority Card holders can use the fast-track lane (special passage for airline crew and diplomats) at the airport.

The card is issued by KOTRA, and eligible applicants such as foreign investors can make an application to KOTRA.

### Eligibility

Any person who meets the one of the following conditions is qualified for Immigration Priority Card issuance.

- ① The employees and executives of the overseas parent company or Asia regional headquarters of a foreign-invested company that meets the following foreign direct investment (FDI) amount requirement (notification basis)\*:

Classification	Amount of Notified FDI
Manufacturing	USD 15 million or more
Finance & insurance	USD 50 million or more
Retail & wholesale, transport, storage	USD 5 million or more
Others	USD 10 million or more
Operation of an R&D center	USD 2 million or more
Businesses accompanying new growth driver technology	

\* When applying for reissuance due to expiration of the card, the ratio of arrived FDI to notified FDI should be 50/100 or more at the time of application for reissuance.

- ② The executives and employees of the overseas parent company or Asia regional headquarters of a foreign-invested company that hires 100 or more full-time employees
- ③ The executives and employees of overseas economic organizations in Korea
- ④ Members of investment delegations invited by central and local governments
- ※ The expiration period of the Immigration Priority Card is three years from the date of issuance (six months in the case of members of investment delegations invited by central and local governments).

## Required documents

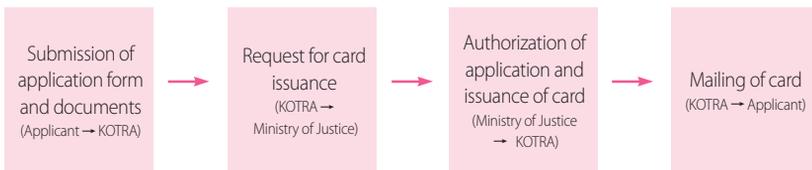
1. Application form
2. Executives and employees of the overseas parent company or Asia regional headquarters of a foreign-invested company: Copy of foreign-invested company registration certificate
  - Executives and employees of foreign economic organizations in Korea: Certified copy of corporate registration
  - Members of investment delegations invited by central or local governments: Document certifying invitation
3. Certificate of employment at the overseas parent company or Asia regional headquarters (or documents certifying that the applicant belongs to a company or group eligible for Immigration Priority Card issuance)
4. One of the following documents:
  - Companies operating an R&D center: Certificate of recognition of a corporate-affiliated research center or certificate of recognition of R&D department issued by the Korea Industrial Technology Association (or an official document by the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy certifying designation as an R&D facility)
  - Companies accompanying high technology: Certificate of tax reduction or exemption issued by the Ministry of Strategy & Finance
  - Companies with 100 or more full-time employees: Record of wages paid, list of insured employees issued by the Korea Workers' Compensation & Welfare Service, or report of withholding of income tax issued by a tax office
5. Copy of applicant's passport



National flag: Taegeukgi

※ The application form and required documents can be submitted via e-mail in PDF format.

## Issuance process



\* Receipt of application between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of every month → Issued around the 25<sup>th</sup> of the same month

\*\* Receipt of application after the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month → Issued around the 25<sup>th</sup> of the following month

- **Application and inquiries**

Investment Consulting Center

- **Address:** Investment Consulting Center, Office No. 203, IKP Building, KOTRA, 7 Heolleung-ro, Seocho-gu, Seoul
- **Tel:** 82-2-3497-1971
- **Fax:** 82-2-3497-1129
- **e-mail:** dk90@kotra.or.kr

※ The above information is subject to change according to the Ministry of Justice guidelines.



## Reentry Permit

- **Eligibility for reentry permit**

- A registered foreigner who has left Korea for more than one year within the stay period and intends to reenter the country must acquire a reentry permit.
- If a foreigner exempted from alien registration has left the country for more than one year and intends to reenter the country, he/she must obtain a reentry permit.

- **Required documents**

- Passport
- Alien registration card
- Application form
- Processing fee (exempt for corporate investment [D-8] visa holders)

- **How to apply**

- The relevant person or his/her proxy (must present relevant personal ID or power of attorney) needs to apply to the competent immigration office or its liaison office and submit the required documents.
- Online application: Hi Korea Electronic Civil Services (<http://www.hikorea.go.kr>)



# 02 Housing and Accommodation

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# Housing and Accommodation

## Types of Housing and Accommodation in Korea

### Detached single-unit housing

Houses that are detached by unit and occupied by a single family. Many foreigners reside in single-unit housings in neighborhoods such as Ichon-dong, Itaewon, and Pyeongchang-dong.



### Apartment

A type of multi-unit housing in which each floor of the building is divided into multi-family residences. Some have built-in home appliances and wardrobes, but most of them are unfurnished, thus requiring the residents to purchase furniture and appliances themselves.



### Officetel

A combination of the words "office" and "hotel." An officetel is a studio apartment that usually serves as a workplace during the day, and as a place to sleep and eat at night. Unlike an apartment, an officetel usually has "full-options," meaning it is fully equipped and that there is no need to buy basic furniture or appliances. Officetels consist of either one room (single residential space) or two rooms (two separate residential spaces).



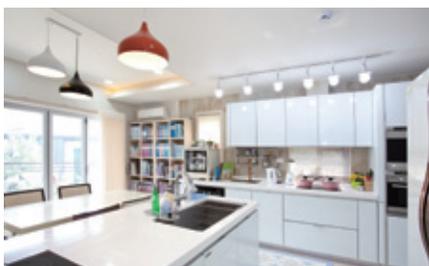
## Hanok

"Hanok" is a traditional Korean house or structure made with wood. Recently, many of them have undergone remodeling. In Seoul, hanok houses are concentrated in the Hanok Villages in Bukchon and Namsan.



## Residence

Short for "Serviced Residence." Similar to an officetel, a residence is equipped with kitchen utensils, a washing machine and other items of furniture. Moreover, such facilities as a sauna, a swimming pool, and a fitness club, as well as the usual hotel services, are often available.



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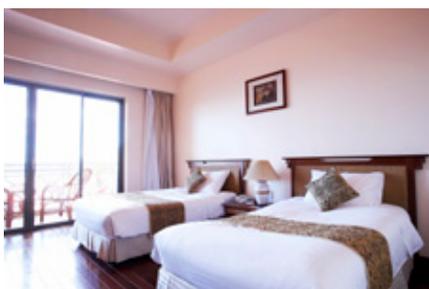
**Oakwood Premier** Tel: 82-2-3466-7000 **Web:** [www.oakwoodseoul.com](http://www.oakwoodseoul.com) (English)

**Somerset Palalce** Tel: 82-2-6730-8888 **Web:** [www.somersetpalaceseoul.com](http://www.somersetpalaceseoul.com) (English)

**Vabien** Tel: 82-2-6399-0078 **Web:** [www.vabienseoul.com](http://www.vabienseoul.com) (English/Japanese)

## Hotels

For international visitors visiting Korea for a short-term stay or needing assistance from staff speaking English, the best accommodation option is a hotel with foreign language service and a full set of amenities. But, staying at a hotel is the priciest option as well.



## TIP

**Temple Stay:** Temple Stay is a program that started in 2001. Offered by famous traditional Buddhist temples throughout the country, the program is designed to provide tourists an opportunity to experience the spiritual culture and practice of Buddhism in Korea. Depending on the program you pick, you can stay in a temple one or two days to experience a Buddhist monk's life. Today, there are many programs to choose from and more specifically themed schedules available. In general, it starts with an orientation called Ipjaeshik, followed by an alms bowl meal, Buddhist service, Zen meditation, and a walk (<http://www.templestay.com/>). The temple stay, a program where you can enjoy both the magnificent natural environment and traditional culture at the same time, became an emerging trend around the 2002 World Cup games and was selected as the most successful cultural tourism program in Korea by the Impact of Culture on Tourism, a report published by OECD in November 2009.



## Finding a House in Korea

### Lease on a lump-sum deposit (jeon-se)

A method of leasing apartments that is unique to South Korea. The renter pays the landlord a certain lump sum as a deposit and resides in the apartment for the contracted period, at the end of which the landlord returns the deposit to the tenant in full. It is possible to lease an entire apartment or a part of it (one floor or one or two rooms). When leasing an entire apartment, the deposit is usually 60-70% of the property's value. These contracts are usually renewed every two years, and the landlord is prohibited by law from terminating the contract before the two years are up, unless the tenant wishes to do so. Utilities and other costs (electricity, water, gas, phone, internet, cable, etc.) are paid separately by the tenant.

### Monthly rent (wol-se)

A method of leasing apartments with a deposit as well as monthly rent. For wol-se, the deposit is much smaller compared to jeonse for a residential space of a similar size. The landlord may be open to adjustment or negotiation between the deposit and the monthly rent, i.e. a larger deposit for a lower monthly rent, or a smaller deposit for a higher rent. The amount of rent differs according to the size and number of rooms and other facilities. Monthly rent often does not include utilities and other costs (electricity, water, gas, phone, internet, cable, etc.), so the tenant must pay them separately.

## Pre-paid lease

A lease is similar to monthly rent (wolsse) except that the rent for one whole year is paid up front as a lump sum. Targeting foreigners in particular, this is probably the easiest way to find a house in Korea. Houses for lease are concentrated in Pyeongtaek, Songdo, and Itaewon. Utilities and other costs (electricity, water, gas, phone, internet, cable, etc.) need to be paid separately.

### ◀ TIP

In Korea, the official unit for measuring an area is  $m^2$ . However, 'pyeong', a traditional Korean unit of measurement, is still widely used. One pyeong measures approximately  $3.3 m^2$ . Real estate prices vary depending on the type of housing, size, location, and other factors. In Seoul, apartment prices, jeonse (lump-sum deposit) prices and monthly rent in Gangnam-gu, Seocho-gu, Songpa-gu, and Yongsan-gu are higher compared to other districts in city.

※ Real estate consulting for foreigners: INTRUFRIEND  
Tel: 82-2-793-2021 Web: [www.intrufriend.com](http://www.intrufriend.com)



### • **Tips for renting an apartment/ officetel unit**

Rental agreements are signed in Korea through the intermediary of a real estate agent. A safer way than entering into a rental agreement directly with the landlord is to use the service of a real estate agent. However, this involves a cost in the form of a brokerage fee. Ask a licensed real estate agent in the neighborhood of your choice to show you apartments that fit your criteria. If you find one that you like, have your agent draft a rental agreement. Once you have signed the agreement, you pay the agent the brokerage fee and move in on the date agreed upon under the agreement.

### • **Brokerage fee**

In Korea, a licensed real estate agent, serving as the go-between for a purchase or rental agreement on a residential or commercial property, charges a brokerage fee based on the value of the transaction. Although there is some difference depending on the region, the difference is generally quite negligible.

#### ◀ **TIP**

#### **Details that must be included in the contract**

- Location of the residence (The location in the certified register must be the same as the address of residence indicated in the contract.)
- Contracted price (deposit and monthly rent)
- Exact sum and date for the down payment, middle payment (payment before moving in), and final payment (payment upon moving in). (It is advisable to keep the down payment to within 10% of the deposit.)
- Contract period
- Signature or thumbprint of both the landlord and the tenant

## TIP

### Things to check before signing a contract

#### • Certified copy of real estate register

Checking the certified copy of real estate register before you sign the contract is almost more important than inspecting the house itself. The register confirms the name of the landlord, the address, the size and structure of the house, and any liabilities on the house. You can acquire a certified copy at the registration office or through the Internet. It is better to ask a Korean friend for help if you are not sure.

#### • Sum and method of payment

The down payment is usually 10 percent of the deposit. For instance, if the deposit is 2 million Korean won, the down payment will be 200,000 won. Of the remaining 1.8 million won, a certain amount should be paid before moving in, within a contracted period of time, and the rest is paid on the day you move in. Sometimes you can pay all of the remaining 1.8 million won on the day you move in. Remember to keep the receipt.





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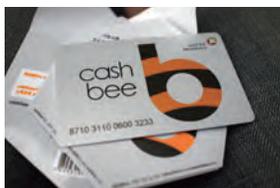
### Using the T-money transportation card

#### T-money cards accepted nationwide

Nationwide T-money cards, used to pay public transportation fare, can be purchased and recharged at more than 30,000 vendors across the country including subway stations and convenience stores.

In addition to bus and subway fares, the card can be used to pay train fare, taxi fare, inter-city bus fare and highway tollgate fee. Also, the card can be used at convenience stores, bakeries and fast food joints. For a list of T-money affiliated stores and shops, visit the T-money card website ([www.t-money.co.kr](http://www.t-money.co.kr), Korean only). In addition to the standard card form, the T-money card comes in various forms such as key chains and cell phone charms.

The T-money transportation card is sold in various types, including the regular type, accessory type, smartphone USIM type, etc.



## CITYPASS+

The CITYPASS+ card, which bears instructions on how to use the card in English, Chinese and Japanese, is a T-money card with extra benefits for tourists and can be used in Seoul and



other parts of the country. The card comes with discount coupons that can be used at tourist attractions, performance halls and restaurants in Seoul so be sure to make the most of it during your trip.

## M-Pass, public transport season ticket for foreigners



The M-Pass card, introduced in December 2011, is a public transportation card designed for foreign visitors that allows card holders to take up to 20 rides a day on the Seoul subway system, the Airport Railroad Express, the Incheon subway system and the Seoul metropolitan area bus system. Foreigners can purchase and return M-Pass cards at the Seoul Travel Information Center located in the Incheon

International Airport, Seoul Global Culture and Tourism Center (Myeongdong), and Gangnam Tourist Information Center (Gangnam). Also, the card can be topped up with cash to pay taxi fares or purchase goods at T-money affiliated stores.

## How to Use the Card

The card can be used on Seoul's subway lines 1 to 9, the Incheon subway system, the Airport Railroad Express and buses in the greater Seoul area (Shinbundang Line, AREX Express Trains, inter-city express buses are not included).

- ※ To use the card to pay fares for buses, airport limousine buses or taxis, add money to the card and use its T-money functions. An amount from 1,000 won to 90,000 won can be charged on the card at a time, and the maximum amount that can be charged is 500,000 won.

## Card Types

Period	1 Day Pass	2 Day Pass	3Day Pass	5 Day Pass	7 Day Pass
Fare	10,000 won	18,000 won	25,500won	42,500 won	59,500 won

- ※ A deposit of 5,000 won is required to purchase the card. When the card is returned, a transaction fee of 500 won is deducted and 4,500 won will be refunded.
- ※ From the date the pass is issued, the expiration time is 24:00 (midnight) of the expiration date.

## Purchase and refund

<b>Purchase</b>	07:00-22:00	Tourist information centers located next to exit 5 and 10 on 1F of Incheon International Airport(Contact: 82-32-743-3270,3272), Seoul Global Culture and Tourism Center (Myeongdong) (Contact: 82-2-3789-7961)
	07:00-22:00	
<b>Refund</b>	22:00-07:00	G525 convenience store across exit number 10 on 1F of Incheon International Airport.

## Postpaid transportation card

Unlike the T-money card that has to be topped up beforehand, you can pay your public transportation fare afterward with a credit card. A credit card can be used as a postpaid transportation card if the postpaid transportation card function is added.

The T-money card may be a better choice, however, for foreign visitors without a credit card issued by a Korean bank.

## Types of Public Transportation

### Subway

Subway systems are available in Korea, in Seoul and the metropolitan area, Busan, Daegu, Gwangju and Daejeon. The fare system is the same for all of these subway systems (purchase ticket → place the ticket on the reader → board/disembark subway → place the ticket on the reader) except for the single trip ticket whose price varies somewhat.



## Buying a subway ticket

### Seoul metropolitan area: single-trip cards

[Single-trip card] Choose your destination at a transportation card vending/top-up machine and enter the fare plus a deposit (500 won) to get a single-trip transportation card. At the end of the transit, enter the single-trip card into a transportation card vending machine at your destination station for refund of the deposit. As of June 27, 2015, the base fare of Seoul, Gyeonggi, and Incheon subways has been raised by 200 won from 1,050 won to 1,250 won. An early morning fare scheme offering a discount of 20 percent for the first train of the day until 6:30 am is applied to the metropolitan subway and Incheon subway (discount does not apply to bus-subway transfers). Senior citizens aged 65 or older are entitled to free rides, and the benefits apply to foreigners with permanent residency as well.

### Busan: Regular tickets and multi-ride cards

Tickets may be purchased at a vending machine within a subway station for both regular tickets and multi-ride cards. Regular tickets can be for a one way trip or a round trip. The fare varying depending on the destination, travelers must choose a line from the map at the top or a section from the right-hand side. Multi-ride cards are available for one day, seven days or one month validity.

### Gwangju: Single-trip tickets

Single-trip tickets have no expiry date and may be used for all rides made within two hours from the time of initial validation.

### Daegu and Daejeon: Single-trip token-style tickets



## TIP

- To switch subway lines, follow the transfer sign, indicating the line number.
- When riding to a destination farther than you have initially paid for, simply pay for the extra-fare using a ticket vending machine or to a subway staff.
- Transfer discounts given when switching to another public transport system are not available for travelers using a single-trip card.
- No deposit (500 won) is required when purchasing a subway ticket in places other than Seoul.

## City bus

### Types of buses (Seoul)

City buses currently circulating in Seoul are new models launched in July 2004. Bus stops now match the color of the bus, making it easier to spot the stop for the right bus.

#### Blue (trunk route) buses



Blue buses are long-distance trunk-line buses serving areas within the City of Seoul.

#### Green (branch route) buses



These branch-line buses provide linkage to subway stops and serve areas within a neighborhood.

#### M BUS



The M BUS is an express bus system that serves a smaller number of stops compared to other buses. No standing passengers are allowed on this bus.

#### Yellow (circular route) buses



Linking areas on the outskirts of the city, yellow buses meet diverse transportation demands in the City of Seoul.

#### Red (wide area) buses



These express buses ensure connection between Seoul and its surrounding cities in the metropolitan area.

#### Inter-city express bus



These long distance express buses were specifically designed to connect metropolitan areas with nearby satellite cities. No standing passengers are allowed on this bus.

### Bus fares in major cities as of June 27, 2018 (Unit: won)

Type	Payment method	Seoul	Gyeonggi	Incheon	Daejeon	Daegu	Busan	Ulsan	Gwangju
City bus	Card	1,200	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,200	1,250	1,250
	Cash	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,400	1,400	1,300	1,300	1,400
City express bus	Card	2,300	2,050	2,650	-	1,650	1,700	2,080	1,700
	Cash	2,400	2,100	2,650	-	1,800	1,800	2,300	1,800
M Bus	Card	-	2,400	2,600	-	-	-	-	-
	Cash	-	2,500	2,900	-	-	-	-	-
Inter-city express bus	Card	-	2,400	-	-	-	-	2,080	1,700
	Cash	-	2,500	-	-	-	-	2,300	1,800

- Bus fare increase (applied June 27, 2015): Blue/Green bus fare-1,200 won, Late-night bus fare 2,150 won, Local bus fare-900 won
- In Seoul, a 20 percent morning discount is applied to all buses excluding the late-night bus from the first departure until 6:30 am, for a single ride using a card.
- Seoul metropolitan city late-night bus operation: From midnight to 4 am (from the point of departure)
- In Gyeonggi-do, an early morning fare system that offers a 400 won discount from the base fare is applied to the inter-city express bus from the first departure until 6:30 am, for single rides paid with a transportation card.

\*National bus transportation association (<http://www.bus.or.kr>)

#### TIP

#### Free transfer within 30 minutes in Seoul, Busan, Daejeon, Daegu, and Gwangju.

One transfer for free when using a subway. For example, you can transfer from a bus to a subway and to another bus, but not from a subway to a bus and then to another subway. Transfer is not free within the same route. For example, transfer is not free if you transfer from No.1020 bus to another No.1020 bus. You can transfer twice for free in Seoul, Busan, and Daegu, up to three times in Daejeon, and within 30 minutes after getting off the first bus in Gwangju. Transfer is not free for buses operating in rural villages, or airport shuttles.

## TIP

### How to pay for multiple passengers

You can pay for more than one person with your T-money card when you go on a bus ride. Just tell the bus driver the number of people you will be paying for with your transportation card before you use the reader. Remember, if you transit onto another bus, you must pay for the same number of passengers as your first trip for the transit discount to apply. Note that you cannot pay for multiple people on the subway.

## TIP

### Using public transport with smartphone apps

Smartphone apps not only show the routes of all modes of public transport including subway lines and bus services, but also display the estimated arrival times and departure intervals. Though it varies by app, some apps allow you to search routes from the starting point to the destination and offer convenient features such as 'setting arrival reminders'.

#### •Seoul Metro Navigation

This app displays all the subway routes of Seoul and offers many features including a search function for the fastest, shortest and least number of transfer routes and their travel times, subway station timetables, time calculation for last train, arrival reminders, and many others. The app is also offered in English as well.

#### •Korea Subway

This app can be displayed in simplified/traditional Chinese, English and Japanese and provides subway maps of Seoul, Busan, Daegu, Daejeon, and Gwangju. It also provides plenty of useful features for travelers such as information on hotspots near subway stations, a traveler chat service which allows travelers to share information with each other, and a subway map that displays only the major subway stations popular among travelers.

#### •BP LINE

This app enables the user to check information on all the subway, bus, KTX train and regular train services around the country. It offers many features such as route search, express train timetables, high resolution subway maps, and bus travel/arrival time search. The timetables for subways, buses, and trains are kept updated automatically even if the user does not manually update them.

## Taxi

### • International taxi

Seoul city-designated taxi service for international residents of Seoul or international visitors to Seoul.

<b>Reservation</b>	Reservations are required and can be made by calling 82-1644-2255 or visiting the International Taxi website at <a href="http://www.intltaxi.co.kr">http://www.intltaxi.co.kr</a> . Cabs on stand-by, if available, are sent to customers without a reservation.
<b>Fare</b>	Section-based, metered or rental rates depending on the case
<b>Types</b>	Mid-size taxi, Deluxe taxi: up to 5 passengers Jumbo-size taxi: 6 – 9 passengers
<b>Why International Taxi?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The selection and training of drivers as well as the fare schedule and the operation of the call center are managed directly by the Seoul city government.</li> <li>- Drivers and call center staff trained and tested for proficiency in major languages.</li> <li>- Information service providing tips to international residents on living in Seoul, including how to use the airports, touring Seoul and doing business in Korea.</li> <li>- Flat rates for trips between the Incheon International Airport and designated areas of Seoul.</li> <li>- Information desks and pick-up locations at the Incheon International Airport and the Gimpo Airport.</li> <li>- Major credit cards (Visa, Master, JCB, Amex) and T-money card accepted.</li> </ul>

#### • Deluxe taxi

These black taxi cabs with a yellow stripe, while more comfortable and providing better services than regular taxis, are slightly more expensive.

#### • Regular taxi

Many of them have a silver body with white or blue stripes, but many of the newer taxis are orange with a white stripe. The basic charge is 3,000 won in Seoul. A 20 percent night time surcharge is applied to the basic fare from midnight to 4:00 A.M.

#### • Call taxi

These taxis can be dispatched by phone, which is very convenient if you are in an area with few taxis or when it is late at night. They are identical to regular taxis in appearance, and the fare is the same as well. The fare is the same as a regular taxi fare; an intercity fare is applied once the taxi travels out of the si (city) or gun (district), and an additional call charge of 1,000 won may be imposed.

### • Kakao Taxi

Available for convenient use anywhere in Korea, even if you do not have a call taxi number or find it difficult to explain your location at an unfamiliar place. The fare is the same as a regular taxi fare, and there is no call charge.

※ **How to use:** PLAY store>Download Kakao Taxi application>Login to your Kakao account>Set your place of departure and arrival>Call

## Express bus

Express buses, which are less pricey than the KTX, are good alternatives for a long-distance trip. There are two types of express buses: regular express bus and deluxe express bus. Deluxe express buses seat less passengers than the regular ones. The seats are wider and more comfortable and the buses are equipped with a satellite TV screen.



Tickets may be purchased in advance, online at the express bus ticketing website. Check the terminal beforehand, as it varies depending on the destination. Gyeongbu and Yeongdong line buses depart from the Seoul Express Bus Terminal, and Honam line buses, bound for Gwangju or Jeonju, depart from the Central City Terminal. Most buses bound for places in eastern Korea, like Gangwon-do cities, depart from the Dong Seoul Express Bus Terminal, and many Chungcheongdo-bound buses from the Seoul Nambu Terminal.

### • Seoul Express Bus Terminal (Gyeongbu line, Yeongdong line)

194, Sinbanpo-ro, Seocho-gu, Seoul (Subway Lines 3, 7 & 9, Express Bus Terminal station)

**Tel:** 82-1688-4700

**Web:** [www.terminal.co.kr](http://www.terminal.co.kr)

### Main routes

<b>Gyeonggi Province</b>	Yongin, Icheon, Yeosu, Pyeongtaek, Anseong
<b>Gangwon Province</b>	Gangneung, Donghae, Samchok, Sokcho, Yangyang, Wonju (Hoengseong)
<b>Chungcheong Province</b>	Cheonan, Asan (Onyang), Jochiwon, Geumsan, Sejong city, Cheongju, Gongju, Government Complex-Daejeon
<b>Gyeongsang Province</b>	Busan (Seobusan), Daegu, Sangju, Gimcheon, Gumi (Hwanggan), Yeongcheon, Gyeongju, Pohang, Ulsan, Gimhae, Jeomchon, Jinju, Masan, Changwon, Tongyeong, Sunsan, Ginseng land

• **Central City Bus Terminal (Honam line)**

176, Sinbanpo-ro, Seocho-gu, Seoul (Subway Lines 3 & 7, Express Bus Terminal station)

**Tel:** 82-2-6282-0114

**Web:** [www.hticket.co.kr](http://www.hticket.co.kr)

**Main routes**

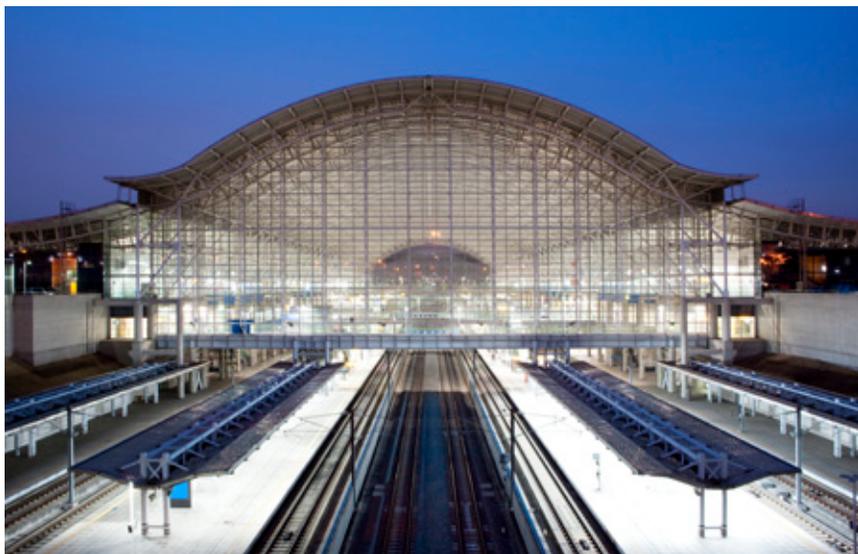
<b>Jeolla Province</b>	Gangjin, Goheung, Gokseong, Gwangju, Gimje, Naju, Namwon, Nokdong, Neungju, Damyang, Mokpo, Muan, Beolgyo, Boseong, Bongdong, Buan, Samho, Sunchang, Ancheon, Aetongri, Yeosu, Yecheon, Yeonggwang, Yeongsanpo, Yeongam, Okgwa, Wando, Wanju, Iksan, Jangseong, Jangheung, Jeonbuk Gwangjin, Jeonbuk Hyeoksin, Jeonju, Jeongeup, Jido, Jindo, Hampyeong, Haenam, Haejae, Local Government Officials Development Institute, Hwasun, Heojin
<b>Chungcheong Province</b>	Goesan, Gunsan, Gijisi, Kkotji, Naju, Namwon, Naepo, Nonsan, Dangjin, Deoksan Spa, Munjang, Boryeong (Daecheon), Boeun, Hongseong, Heungdeok, Bukcheongju, Seosan, Songnisan, Anmyeondo, Yeonmudae, Yesan, Uncheon, Yuseong, Jeongsan, Jeongan Resting Stop, Jeungpyeong, Cheongyang, Cheongju International Airport, Taeam
<b>Gyeongsang Province</b>	Andong, Yeongju, Yecheon, Onjeong, Uljin, Punggi
<b>Gangwon Province</b>	Sincheolwon, Cheolwon, Yeongwol, Chuncheon, Pocheon, Hongcheon



## Train

There are four types of trains with different speeds: SRT, KTX, Saemaeul, and Mugunghwa. There is little difference in speed between SRT and KTX, but it takes two hours and fifty minutes from Seoul to Busan when traveling by KTX, and it takes six minutes less when traveling by SRT. The difference is because of the geographical location: Suseo Station is more to the south than Seoul Station. Saemaeul is the next fastest train that takes four and a half hours to travel the same route, and Mugunghwa, five and a half hours.

Information on the train schedules, routes, stations, and fares for KTX, Saemaeul, and Mugunghwa trains is available on the KORAIL website ([www.korail.com](http://www.korail.com)), and for SRT, on the SRT website ([etk.srail.co.kr](http://etk.srail.co.kr)).



## Ticket reservation and return

### Ticket Reservation

www.letskorail.com, Korail Talk (application), ticket machine, station (excluding subway stations), authorized ticket retail store, internet or railroad customer center (82-1544-7788, 82-1544-8545, English Service 82-1599-7777)  
 Information on SRT train is available at SRT (etk.srail.co.kr), Information on the ticket vending machine and train stations (excluding subway stations) is available on the same website or at the customer service center.



- ① Departure station
- ② Arrival station
- ③ Time of departure
- ④ Time of arrival
- ⑤ Type of train
- ⑥ Train No.
- ⑦ Coach No.
- ⑧ Ticket issuer
- ⑨ Ticket refund No.
- ⑩ Amount paid
- ⑪ Seat No.

(Odd numbers - southbound, even numbers - northbound)

### • Boarding

The train information is displayed on the LED board screen, 15 minutes before the departure time (trains for which boarding has already begun has a blinking red light at the upper right corner). Enter the boarding area beyond the gate and go to the platform indicated on the LED board screen to board the train.



TIP

**Incheon Airport Railroad Express AREX**

• **Express train**

**Route:** Seoul Station ↔ Incheon International Airport (no stops in between)

**Route and fare**

Duration	First Train / Last Train		Discounted One-way Fare
43 minutes	Bound for Incheon International Airport	05:20 / 21:40	Adults 8,000 won
	Bound for Seoul Station	06:00 / 22:00	Children 6,900 won

**Contact:** 82-1599-7788 [www.arex.or.kr](http://www.arex.or.kr)

• **Seoul Station City Airport Terminal**

- **Location:** AREX Seoul Station B2
- **Services:** flight and baggage check-in services, immigration check (for travelers boarding international flights at Incheon Int'l Airport on the same day)
- **Operating hours:** flight check-in (Korean Air, Asiana Airlines, and Jeju Airlines), baggage check-in 05:20- 19:00 (The boarding procedure must be completed three hours prior to the time of departure.)
- **Departure immigration check:** 07:00-19:00
  - ※ **Passengers who don't use the services at Seoul Station City Airport Terminal can also take the express train.**
- **Contact:** 82-1599-7788

• **City Airport Services**

- **Flight check-in:** 1st Floor
- **Check-in service hours:** National carriers: 05:20-18:30 / Jeju Air, foreign airlines: 05:10-18:30  
Airlines available for check-in at City Airport: Korean Air, Asiana Airlines, Qatar Airways, Singapore Airlines, Jeju Air, Thai Airways, Air Canada, Philippine Airlines, MIAT Mongolian Airlines, China Eastern Airlines, Shanghai Airlines, China Southern Airlines, Japan Airlines, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Delta Airlines, United Airlines
- **Departure immigration check:** 2nd Floor
- **Service hours:** 06:00-18:30
- **Required documents:** Boarding pass, passport
- 82-2-551-0077~8 <http://www.calt.co.kr>



## Driving (Getting a Driver's License)

### Converting a foreign driver's license to a Korean one

A driver's license issued by an appropriately-empowered foreign authority may be exchanged for a Korean driver's license, by providing required documents including a certificate from the embassy of your home country and after undergoing a physical exam and taking a written test.

※ To check if you need to take a written test, see the [List of Countries Having a Reciprocal Driver's License Agreement with Korea at the website of the Road Traffic Authority Driver's License Examination Office. \(http://dl.koroad.or.kr\)](http://dl.koroad.or.kr)

Only unexpired full licenses may be exchanged. Temporary licenses, learner's licenses, provisional licenses, probationary licenses or driving permits or certificates are not acceptable for exchange.

<p><b>Documents Required</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Foreign driving license (The foreign driver's license is surrendered at the time of receiving a Korean license. The foreign driver's license will be returned when the license holder submits his/her passport and plane ticket before leaving the country.)</li> <li>2. A certificate in Korean or English, issued by your country's embassy in Korea or by the Korean embassy in the license issuing country, proving the authenticity of the license           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>※ The certificate from an embassy does not have to be notarized.</li> <li>※ If the driver's license or certificate does not contain the date of issuance and a date of expiration, provide a driving record or an equivalent document with the date of issuance and the date of expiration.</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. An entry/exit record issued by the immigration authority and the passport           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>※ The entry/exit record and the stamps on the passport should show that you stayed in the license-issuing country for at least 90 days.</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. ID card           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>※ Korean citizens: ID Card, passport or any other valid, government-issued identification document (Korean citizens here refer to those who are registered as residents pursuant to Article 6 of the Resident Registration Act)</li> <li>※ Foreign nationals: passport and alien registration card</li> <li>※ Overseas Koreans: passport and domestic residence report card</li> <li>※ Foreign nationals who are not registered as an alien resident and are in Korea for less than 90 days cannot exchange their foreign license for a Korean license (They are, however, allowed to take the regular driver's test including the road test.)</li> </ul> </li> <li>5. 3 color photos (for the size of the photo and other details, see the Road Traffic Authority Driver's License Examination Office's website)</li> </ol>
<p><b>Fees</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Foreigners, foreign citizenship holders of countries that recognize the Korean driver's license: 12,500 won</li> <li>- Foreigners, foreign citizenship holders of countries that do not recognize the Korean driver's license: 20,000 won</li> </ul>



## Others

- \* Foreign driver's license is exchanged only for a class-2 regular license.
- \* Foreign driver's licenses issued in countries having a reciprocity agreement with Korea (Belgium, Poland, Spain and Italy) may be exchanged for licenses of the same class and type.
- \* License exchange applications must be submitted personally by applicants.

List of Countries Having a Reciprocal Driver's License Agreement with Korea (National Police Agency Notice, May 15, 2015)

- Visit the website of the Road Traffic Authority Driver's License Examination Office.
  1. Countries where Korean licenses are exchanged for local ones without requiring test-taking.
  2. Regions with an independent driving license system such as Hong Kong, Taiwan are considered countries for the purpose of driver's license conversion.
  3. If, after the enactment of this Notice, Korean licenses are newly recognized or no longer recognized in a country, and if the Korean police is notified of such change, the recognition of licenses of this country in Korea will be based on this updated rule.

- \* Licenses from countries with a reciprocity agreement with Korea: physical examination only
- \* Licenses from countries without a reciprocity agreement with Korea: physical examination and written test (40 multiple choice questions) in Korean, English, Chinese, Japanese, Thai, Vietnamese, Russian, Indonesian, Mongolian, Cambodian or Indonesian (Tagalog)
- \* A written test is administered for applicants with a license from the states of Oregon and Idaho (U.S.) although there is a reciprocity agreement with Korea.

Drivers whose Korean driver's license was cancelled in the past must receive six hours of traffic safety education.

## International driver's license

International driver's license issued by a signatory of the Geneva Convention may be used for one year in Korea from the date of entry. From January 1, 2002, international driver's license issued by a signatory of the Vienna Convention has also been allowed, and may also be used for one year from the date of entry.

## Exchanging a foreign driver's license to a Korean one

Required documents (D-8, F-3 holders)	D-8 visa holder	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Foreign driver's license A Korean driver's license cannot be issued if the period of validity on the original foreign driver's license has expired.</li> <li>2. Certificate of entry and exit and passport (The license issuance date or renewal date should be stated.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>※ The certificate of entry and exit may also be issued at KOTRA's Investment Consulting Center (Processing fee: 2,000 won)</li> <li>※ For licenses issued from a third country, license holders must provide proof that he/she has stayed in the country of issuance for 90 days or longer.</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Alien registration card or domicile registration card <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>※ Short-term residents of less than 90 days are not eligible for the license exchange service, but may obtain a Korean license by taking a written test.</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. Certificate from home country's embassy or and apostille proving the authenticity of the applicant's foreign driver's license <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Certificates issued by and embassy are valid for one year from the date of issuance. In the case that the period of validity stated on the certificate is less than one year, the stated period shall be applied.</li> <li>※ As the embassies of the U.S., U.K., Russia, Finland, Uzbekistan and Hong Kong do not issue a certificate, applicants from these countries should submit an apostille.</li> <li>※ The certification from an embassy or an apostille needs to be in Korean or English to be considered valid.</li> </ul> </li> <li>5. Three color photos (3cm x 4cm) Identification photo taken within the past six months</li> <li>6. Physical exam report KOTRA's Investment Consulting Center does not provide physical exams. Please visit a designated hospital for a physical exam and submit the report.</li> <li>7. License issuance fee: 7,500 won</li> </ol>
	For D-8 visa holders and their accompanying family members	<p>①~⑦ and the original copy of the visa holder's certificate of alien registration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>※ Accompanying family members refers to the spouse and unmarried children (aged 18) of D-8 visa holders.</li> <li>※ The certificate of confirmation of alien registration can be issued at KOTRA's Investment Consulting Center (handling fee: 2,000 won).</li> </ul>
Fees	Physical exam (varies according to hospital), license issuance fee (7,500 won)	

Others	<p>Korean license issued in exchange for a foreign license is limited to the Type 2 regular license.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>※ Exception or proxy registration is not allowed for citizens from countries with a reciprocity agreement with Korea- the foreign license will be collected.</li> <li>※ The foreign license will be returned when departing from Korea (the license holder must visit in person within three years).</li> </ul>
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## Foreigners without a driver's license

The same procedure for obtaining a new driver's license for local Koreans applies to foreigners who have not obtained a license from their home country.

※ For more information, visit the Road Traffic Authority website or contact the Customer Center

### • KOROAD Driver's License Call Center

**Tel:** 82-1577-1120, 82-2-2230-6114

**Web:** [www.koroad.or.kr/en\\_web/index.do](http://www.koroad.or.kr/en_web/index.do) (English)  
[dl.koroad.or.kr/license/cn/index.jsp](http://dl.koroad.or.kr/license/cn/index.jsp) (Chinese)  
[dl.koroad.or.kr/license/jp/index.jsp](http://dl.koroad.or.kr/license/jp/index.jsp) (Japanese)

## TIP

### Useful websites

#### Dugeun Dugeun Driving (<http://wonderfuldriving.com/>)

This free online education website is designed to help multicultural families residing in Korea obtain a driver's license. The website is offered in various languages including English, Japanese, Chinese, Vietnamese, Thai, and Indonesian, and allows users to take a driver's license education course online in multiple languages. Not only does it describe the procedures to follow to obtain a driver's license in great detail but it also offers lectures that are categorized by written examination, motor function capability test, and road test, enabling users to select the lectures they desire.

#### Road Traffic Authority ([http://www.koroad.or.kr/en\\_web/index.do](http://www.koroad.or.kr/en_web/index.do))

The website offers information on the foreign driver's license and international driver's license among other things, as well as information on safe driving in Korea in such sections as Korea's Traffic Environment, Things You Should Know, and Expressway Driving Guide.

## Purchasing and Registering a Vehicle

When purchasing a vehicle in Korea, foreigners must submit their alien registration card that states his/her place of residence.

### Documents required for registering a new vehicle

- Certificate of residency
  - Certification of domicile
  - Certificate of seal impression for foreigners
  - Korean driver's license
  - Personal seal
  - Copy of company sponsored health insurance (proof of income)
- \* Foreigners must have resided in Korea for at least two years
- \* Foreigners that hold F-4 or F-5 visas are eligible for monthly installment plans when purchasing a vehicle.



## Registering a vehicle

A new vehicle should be registered upon purchase. On request, a car manufacturer or dealership can handle vehicle registration. Failure to register the vehicle will result in imprisonment for up to two years or a fine up to five million won.

- **Where to register:** The vehicle registration department of the Si/Gun/Gu office.
  - **Required documents for the registration of a new vehicle**
    - Application for registration -One copy of vehicle manufacture certificate (for newly manufactured vehicles) or one copy of import declaration certificate (for imported cars)
    - Certificate of valid liability insurance
    - Temporary driving permit and number plates (front and back plates)
    - Registration tax receipt
    - Alien registration card, certificate of domicile registration
  - **Documents required for car disposal**
    - Application form for cancellation of vehicle registration
    - Certificate of vehicle registration -Receipt of vehicle (issued by auto junkyard) or confirmation of theft report (when vehicle is stolen)
    - License plates (front and back plates) and seal
    - Alien registration card, certificate of domicile registration
- ※ The deadline for cancellation of vehicle registration is one month from the date of vehicle disposal, and failure to cancel registration within this period will result in a fine.
- ※ Visit Seoul Global Center Website (<http://global.seoul.go.kr>) for more information and details regarding the purchase of new and used vehicles, transfer of ownership and other vehicle related questions.





## Auto Insurance

Under Korean law, auto insurance is compulsory and owners are required to purchase auto insurance in order to own and operate a vehicle.

### Insurance companies that sell auto insurance to foreign drivers

<b>AIG Korea</b>	Tel: 82-1544-2792 / 82-2-2260-6800 Web: <a href="http://www.aiggeneral.co.kr">www.aiggeneral.co.kr</a>
<b>MG Direct</b>	Tel: 82-1588-5959 Web: <a href="http://www.mgcar-direct.com/index.html">www.mgcar-direct.com/index.html</a>
<b>KB Insurance</b>	Tel: 82-1544-0800 / 82-1544-4357 (foreigners) Web: <a href="http://www.kbinsure.co.kr">www.kbinsure.co.kr</a>
<b>Samsung Fire &amp; Marine Insurance</b>	Tel: 82-1588-5114 / 82-2-2119-2000 Web: <a href="http://www.samsungfire.com">www.samsungfire.com</a>
<b>Hyundai Marine &amp; Fire Insurance</b>	Tel: 82-1588-5656 Web: <a href="http://www.hi.co.kr">www.hi.co.kr</a>
<b>Hanhwa General Insurance</b>	Tel: 82-1566-8000 / 82-2-316-7000 Web: <a href="http://www.hwgeneralins.com">www.hwgeneralins.com</a>





## Tips for Driving in Korea

### Bus-only lanes

Bus-only lanes, reserved for the exclusive use of authorized buses, are special travel lanes created to speed and promote the flow of bus traffic. To avoid obstructing the traffic of other types of vehicles, on highways, bus lanes are in the middle of a road, and in regular roads, at the outer side of a road. Although only buses meeting certain conditions are authorized to use bus-only lanes, in some cases, other vehicles with multiple passengers may be allowed to use them as well.

An unauthorized vehicle caught driving on a bus-only lane is fined. See the list of vehicles authorized to use bus-only lanes below:

Road type	Vehicles authorized to use bus-only lanes	
	Highways	Other roads
<b>Bus-only lane</b>	9-passenger vehicles or multi-passenger vehicles (passenger vehicles and multi-passenger vehicles that seat no more than 12 should have at least six passengers onboard)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Large-size multi-passenger vehicles seating 36 or more passengers</li> <li>2. Business multi-passenger vehicles seating less than 36</li> <li>3. School buses operating for transportation of children, carrying a registration.</li> <li>4. The following multi-passenger vehicles designated by the Commissioner of the local policy agency to facilitate traffic movement:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Multi-passenger vehicles for school children or commuters operating on a fixed route and seating at least 16.</li> <li>B. Multi-passenger vehicles deemed necessary, for the transportation of participants of an international conference, etc.</li> <li>C. Multi-passenger vehicles for foreign tourists operated by a chartered bus operator and which seat 25 people or more.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

\*For more detailed information, see the Enforcement Decree of the Road Traffic Act.

## Hi-pass

Hi-pass, which you must have seen written on some of the highway tollgates in Korea, is an electronic toll payment system operated by the Korea Expressway Corporation to alleviate bottlenecks caused by cars slowing down and stopping at a tollgate to pay the toll. Drivers with a Hi-pass device and card installed inside the vehicle do not need to slow down at the tollgate and can just drive through it. The toll is automatically debited from the prepaid Hi-pass card (which, therefore, needs to be topped up beforehand). In the case of a postpaid card affiliated with a credit card, tolls are paid later once a month on the credit card due date.



Cars without a Hi-pass device, passing through a Hi-pass lane, become photographed, and their drivers have to pay the toll plus a fine. Therefore, make sure to enter the right lane at a tollgate.

## Permissive left turn

In Korea, most traffic lights have a dedicated left turn light, and drivers must make a left turn only when this signal lights up. But, if you see a sign like the one above at a crossroads, this means that you may make a left turn, even if there is no left turn light. Make your left turn when the traffic light is green, after checking for cars coming from the left and right.



## How to respond to a traffic accident

Foreign drivers are recommended to keep the phone numbers of their Korean friends, lawyer, car insurance company, and their local embassy in case they get into an unexpected traffic accident. It is also crucial to carry a camera to record the scene of the accident. A car should be parked on the roadside immediately after a traffic accident occurs. You may call 119 for emergency aid or an ambulance. You should report an accident within three hours in a city or within 12 hours in a rural area by phone (112 without the area code) or by visiting a police station.

The driver should immediately notify the car insurance company of such information as the date and place of the accident, degree of damage, circumstances of the accident, evidence, and witnesses. You should seek advice from the insurance company to avoid unfair liability or penalties arising from damage of evidence.

When in need of interpretation service or other assistance, call the Seoul Global Center(822-2075-4130~1). If the Center does not offer services in the language you speak, call the BBB, which offers free interpretation service in 17 languages (82-1588-5644 / 82-2-725-9108~9).



## TIP

**Violation points system**

Violation points are imposed on drivers depending on the degree of the violation and damages. The driver's license may be revoked or suspended when the total accumulated points reach a certain level. You may check the violation points for traffic violations and traffic accidents at the Road Traffic Authority website.

**· KOROAD Driver's License Call Center**

Tel: 82-1577-1120, 82-2-2230-6114

Web: [www.koroad.or.kr/en\\_web/index.do](http://www.koroad.or.kr/en_web/index.do) (English)

[dl.koroad.or.kr/license/cn/index.jsp](http://dl.koroad.or.kr/license/cn/index.jsp) (Chinese)

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# 04 Financial Services

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- Banks
- Bank Card
- Various Tax Payment Obligations





# Financial Services

## Banks

### General information

- **Opening hours:** 09:00-16:00 (closed on weekends and holidays)

		During opening hours		After closing hour		
		100,000 won or less	Over 100,000 won	100,000 won or less	Over 100,000 won	
ATMs of your own bank	Cash withdrawal	None		250 won	500 won	
	Deposit using other banks' card	700 won		1,000 won		
	Funds transfer	Within the same bank	None		None	
		To a different bank	500 won	1,000 won	500 won	1,000 won
ATMs of other banks	Cash withdrawal	600 won		900 won		
	Fund transfer	700 won	1,000 won	700 won	1,000 won	

- Fees vary depending on the bank and amount.
- Hours of operation during business hours: 08:30-18:00 (Mon.-Fri.); 08:30-14:00 (Sat.). As the hours of operation vary for each region and branch, it is advised to check the information in advance.
- ATM fees are higher after bank closing hour and on weekends and holidays.
- Fees apply when using an ATM of a different financial institution.

### Opening a bank account

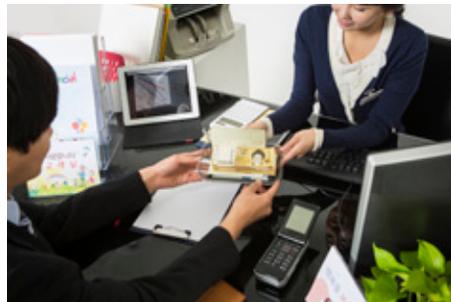
- How to setup an account: Visit your nearest bank.
- Documents required: passport, alien registration card, or travel document(s).
- If you wish to present your passport or travel document as an ID you must present your full Korean address along with a copy of your ID from your home country, credit card used in Korea, or tax receipt from Korea.

\*For a foreigner to obtain an ATM card, one must be employed in Korea or have a Korean guardian.

## Remittance or wire transfer

### Overseas Remittance

- **Procedure:** An amount not exceeding US\$ 1,000 can be remitted per transaction without any restrictions.
- **Telegraph transfer (TT):** Most commonly used for large sums or fast remittance
- **Demand draft(DD):** For remitting small amounts or when speedy remittance is not required
- **Required documents:** application for remittance, alien registration card, etc. (Additional documents may be required depending on the purpose of remittance.)
  - ✧ **Additional documents required for a foreign worker to remit his/her wage**
    - Employment contract or certificate
    - Documentary evidence of local source income
    - Passport or entry visa
    - Tax payment certificate certified by employer (not applicable to illegal aliens or industrial trainees)
    - Certificate of tax payment (applicable to self-employed foreigners)
- **Information required for remittance:** name, address and phone number of remitting person / name, address, phone number, bank name and address (city, province/state and country), account number, SWIFT code and bank code of the recipient
- **Points to remember:**
  - Remittance/payment request forms need to be filled out in English.
  - Make sure that the spelling of the recipient's name and the account number are correct.
  - The name of the account holder must match the name of the recipient.
  - The recipient's bank name, branch, and country should be stated on the remittance application form.
  - Remittance cannot be made to certain countries including Myanmar, Libya, Iran and Sudan.



## Receiving wire transfer from overseas

- Information required by the overseas remitting party for a wire transfer to Korea: Recipient's name and bank name in English, bank address (headquarters), account number, SWIFT code
- Documents required for receipt of a wire transfer from overseas: documentary evidence of reason for wire transfer (export contract, service contract, etc.)
  - Make sure to check with the bank in advance as the required documents may vary depending on the remittance amount.

## Internet banking: Online banking service and transactions

Internet banking refers to banking online using a web-based financial service system. Ask your bank about internet banking options. The service can be activated for you through a few simple steps.

- **Setting up internet banking:** Visit a banking center near you → Fill out an application form → Register a secret code for funds transfer → A security card or an OTP card is issued → Log onto the online banking website → Online certificate is issued
- **Required documents:** ID card (A valid ID within Korea; foreign passport not accepted), bankbook

## Telebanking service: Banking service using a telephone

- Application procedure: Visit bank → Subscribe to service
- Service details: Check account balance, inter- and intra-bank wire transfer, time savings, loan interest payment, request or terminate automatic charging of various bills to your account
- Required documents for application: ID card, bankbook
- Required information when using the telebanking service: Account password, Telebanking password, citizen registration number (ID number), account number

## Mobile banking: Financial transactions using a smartphone

- Services provided: transaction history, account balance and currency exchange rate check, wire transfer, check inquiry, credit card payment, cash service, etc.

## Currency exchange

- Exchangeable forms: foreign currency cash, traveler's check
- Required documents: passport or ID card

- Maximum exchangeable amount: currency exchange of amounts exceeding US\$ 10,000 per case must be reported to the National Tax Service.

## Korean currency



## Bank Card

### Credit card

- **How to apply:** Visit your nearest bank.
- **Eligibility:** Alien registration card holders who are 20 years or older with a place of employment in Korea, and who own an account at the applicable bank.
- **Required documents:** income certificate (income for the past 3 months), employee contract, alien registration card and passport.
- **Annual fee:** The annual fee for a credit card consists of basic annual fee and partnership service fee. The fee is charged once a year, and the amount varies depending on the card.
- **Issuance process:** The credit card review team will evaluate your documents. Even if your papers are not accepted, you can still be issued a credit card by depositing a cash guarantee at your bank (applies to KEB Hana Bank). Your credit card limit will be 90 percent of that deposit. In order to have the deposit returned you must cancel your credit card.

### Check card

- **How to Apply:** Same as for a credit card.
- **Eligibility:** Same as for a credit card.
- **Required documents:** Income certificate (income for the past 3 months), employment contract, alien registration card and passport.
- **Annual fee:** None

## TIP

### Voice Phishing

1. Voice phishing scams ask for your personal financial information. If the caller asks for your bank account number, credit card number or internet banking information or asks you to enter passwords on the website, you should suspect a voice phishing scam.
2. If the caller asks you to go to an ATM machine saying that you are eligible for a refund of tax or insurance premium, or if the caller attracts you to an ATM machine for account security measures, do not comply.
3. Even if the caller knows your name and financial information, it could be a phishing scam. Recently, voice phishers approach you with access to your personal information and financial transaction information. Even if you receive a phone call, text message or internet message by someone who knows your personal information, be mindful that it may be a phishing scam.
4. Never under any circumstances hand over your bankbook, debit card or check card to another person. The transfer of bankbook, debit card or check card is also a violation of the Electronic Financial Transactions Act which may result in imprisonment of up to three years or a fine of KRW 20 million or less. 5. If you become a victim of a voice phishing scam, call the 112 call center of the Korean National Police Agency or a call center of your bank or financial company.

## TIP

### Where to report a lost card (no area code)

**KB Kookmin Card:** 82-1588-1688 / 82-2-6300-7300 (English)

**Lotte Card:** 82-1588-8300

**Shinhan Card:** 821544-7200 / 82-1544-7000

**Samsung Card:** 82-1588-8900 / 82-2-2000-8100, 800-1588-8700

**Citi Card:** 82-1566-1000 / 82-2-2004-1004

**Woori Card:** 82-1588-9955/1599-2288 (for foreigners), 82-2-2006-5000

**KEB Hana Card:** 82-1544-3500 / 82-2-524-8100

**Hyundai Card:** 82-1577-6200 / 82-2-3015-9000



## Various Tax Payment Obligations

Taxes are largely divided into national tax, which is imposed by the central government in order to supply the funds needed for national security, social service programs, etc., and local tax, which is imposed by local governments including those at the city, borough, and district levels in order to supply the funds needed for the regional transport system, public welfare system, etc. Foreigners have the same tax obligations as Korean citizens.

## National tax

National taxes are imposed by the tax office to support the central government. National taxes include income tax, corporate tax, inheritance tax, gift tax, education tax, gross real estate tax, and customs duty.

National tax inquiry: Visit the National Tax Service website, [www.nts.go.kr](http://www.nts.go.kr) (services in English), or dial 126.

## Local tax

Regional tax inquiry: Local taxes are imposed by the local government's city, borough, and district tax departments to support the local government, and include acquisition tax, resident tax, and automobile tax.

### • Local tax payment - Wetax

You can go to the Wetax website ([www.wetax.go.kr](http://www.wetax.go.kr)) to inquire about local taxes, make tax payments, and use various reporting services. You can also download the Wetax mobile app and make payments using the smartphone.

## Information on tax counseling for foreigners

With the rising number of foreign employees in Korea, the National Tax Service provides the following services to serve their needs:

- English counseling service
- Foreigners can call 110 (government call center) for simplified income tax return service and counseling on income tax return tax laws.
- National Tax Service's Customer Satisfaction Center (82-1588-0560)
- Services available in English, Chinese, Japanese, French, Russian, German, Spanish, Vietnamese, Mongolian, Indonesian, Thai, Bengali (Bangladesh), Urdu (Pakistan), Nepali, Khmer (Cambodia), Burmese (Myanmar), and Arabic.
- Income tax return counseling for foreigners is offered through an English Hotline (82-2-3971440) and the National Tax Service's English website offers an automatic income tax return calculation program.



# 05

## Public Services

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- Administrative Institutions
- Police Station
- Fire Station
- Postal Services
- Public Bath Facilities





## Public Services

### Administrative Institutions

The administrative institutions that people visit in everyday life are mostly township (myeon/eup) offices, community service centers, and city (si), county (gun) and district (gu) offices. These offices provide health and welfare services, maintain public facilities, and issue and file various certificates and process civil petitions as well.

### Police Station (☎ 112)

If you become the victim of a crime or are involved in a car accident, you should dial 112 or report the incident directly to the nearest police station. Simply dial 112 on a phone without an area code.



### Fire Station (☎ 119)

Dial 119 when there is a fire or a medical emergency. Dial 119 without an area code.



### Postal Services

#### Domestic postal service

- **Service provided by:** post office and post service agencies nationwide
- **Key services:** mail, courier service (express parcel delivery), banking, and insurance



- **Business hours:** 09:00-16:30 (Banking service) / 09:00-18:00 (Postal service)
- **Contact:** 82-1588-1300 / 82-2-2108-9895

## International mailing and shipping

International mailing and shipping service is classified into ordinary mail service, parcel delivery service, and Express Mail Service (EMS). In general, parcels may weigh up to 20 kg, and EMS up to 30 kg; fees vary depending on the type, size, and weight of the package. To check the weight limit in a particular country, you can refer to the post office website or other related websites.

Korea's zip code is in five digits. You can log onto Naver or ePost to search the zip code.

- **Rates and fees:** The Korea Post website (<http://www.koreapost.go.kr/eng>) provides a list of the rates of EMS & EMS Premium services. For the rates of international mail and parcel services, call the Korea Post call center(82-1588-1300 or 82-2-2108-9895).
- **Tel:** 82-2-2108-9895
- **EMS Search Inquiry:** <http://www.koreapost.go.kr>, <http://ems.epost.go.kr>

※ Check the barcode number on your EMS receipt

## International postal service

If you are willing to bear higher postal charges to send documents or parcels abroad safe and fast, you can use international postal services with a global network. The following is a list of international postal services operating in Korea, so check the rates and services at their website.

- **DHL Korea**

**Web:** <http://www.dhl.co.kr>

**Tel:** 82-1588-0001

- **FedEx**

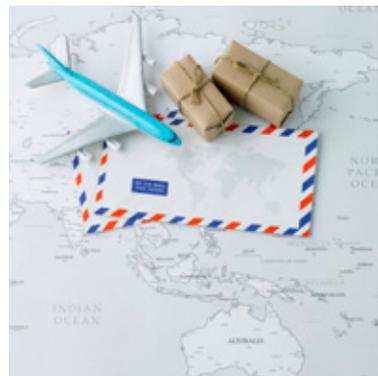
**Web:** <http://www.fedex.com>

**Tel:** 82-080-023-8000 / 82-2-333-8000

- **UPS Korea**

**Web:** <http://www.ups.com>

**Tel:** 82-1588-6886



## Door-to-door delivery service and quick service (motorcycle delivery)

The door-to-door delivery service (taekbae) is widely used in Korea, and many service providers are operating in the country. Although the door-to-door delivery service is more expensive than a regular postal service, you can send a package anywhere you want around the nation.

Types	Door-to-Door Delivery Service	Quick Service
<b>Booking</b>	Booking by phone or Internet → Delivery person visits your place → Delivery	
<b>Delivery lead time (Seoul, weekdays only)</b>	Seoul & Gyeonggi-do Province (1-2 days) Others (3-4 days) Additional charges for remote islands or mountainous areas	Immediately upon pick-up
<b>Fee</b>	Fee varies depending on distance and the weight of package.	

\*For the list of delivery service companies, check the directory. (P188)

## Public Bath Facilities

Public bath facilities in Korea are largely divided into bathhouses, saunas, and 'jjimjilbang'.

- **Bathhouses:** There are bathing areas and shower facilities. Admission costs between 4,000-6,000 won.
- **Saunas:** There are spa facilities and rest areas in addition to bath and shower facilities. Admission costs between 5,000-7,000 won.
- **Jjimjilbang:** A popular form of public bathhouse unique to Korea used also for gathering of friends and families. In addition to bathhouse facilities, there is a common area for mingling shared by both genders. Admission costs between 7,000-12,000 won.

## Food eaten in a Jjimjilbang

### Sikhye

Sikhye is a traditional drink made by pouring malt water onto steamed rice. Sikhye is good for digestion and also helps re-hydrate the body after a hot Jjimjil.

### Baked Eggs (Maekbanseok Gyeran)

Maekbanseok Gyeran, or eggs baked on elvan stone, is a popular snack at Jjimjilbang. Rich in protein, the snack helps reinvigorate the body.

## TIP

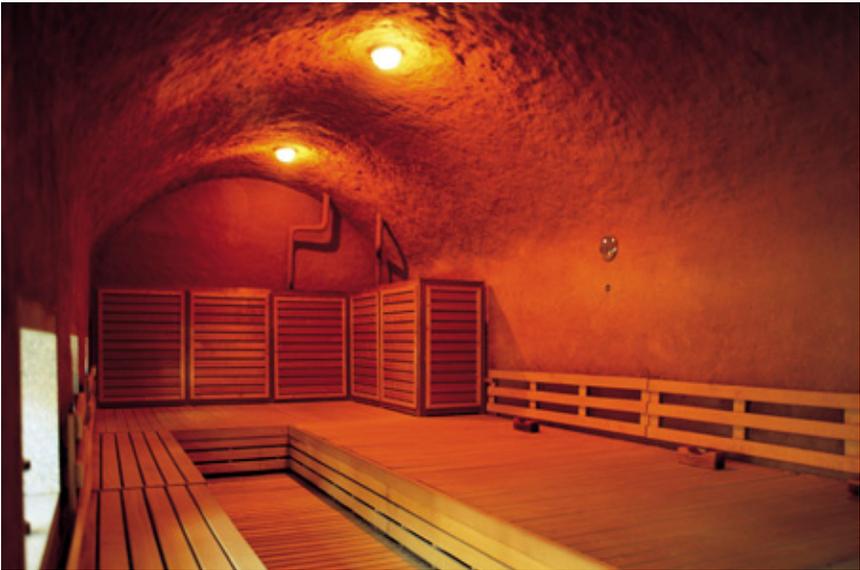
### Bath culture in Korea

The bath culture in Korea is very popular. Many people visit public baths every week or two to submerge their bodies in hot water and scrub their skin clean. People are usually completely naked when they take a bath. In Korea, people go to a public bath together only when they are very close. People from countries without a public bath culture may find it awkward to be naked with so many strangers. Koreans are sometimes surprised to see foreigners entering a public bath in their underwear. However, it is sure worth giving a try and many foreigners come back for more.

## TIP

### How to take bath in a public bathhouse

- ① Take a quick shower and wash your hair before entering the bath.
- ② Get into the hot soaking pool and sweat it out for 5-10 minutes.
- ③ Exit the pool and scrub your body with a scrubbing mitt.
- ④ Proceed to the cold soaking pool or the sauna.
- ⑤ Lastly, take a shower one more time.





HEALTHCARE

**HELP**



# 06 Medical Services

- Medical Care System in Korea
- Emergency Medical Portal, E-gen
- International Healthcare Center
- National Health Insurance





# Medical Services

## Medical Care System in Korea

Hospitals and clinics in Korea are generally equipped with the latest medical equipment, and the quality of medical service is quite high as well. With the growing international population in Korea, many medical institutions are stepping up their efforts to respond to the heightened demand for care from this community and to extend quality services to them. Some hospitals operate a 24-hr emergency medical call center offering advice and assistance over the phone and free interpretation services.

<b>Primary Care Institutions</b>	Providers of comprehensive medical diagnostics based on early signs of health problems-Public health centers, public health center branches, community health centers
<b>Secondary Care Institutions</b>	Hospitals with at least four medical departments, each with specialists providing medical care to both inpatients and outpatients and having 30-500 sick beds.
<b>Tertiary Care Institutions</b>	Hospitals with specialists in all medical fields that are either a general hospital or a university hospital with 500 or more sick beds.

- ※ To get a consultation from a specialist in a tertiary care institution, a patient must have a referral from a practitioner in a primary or a secondary institution. The cost of the initial consultation is much higher for patients without a referral.

### TIP

#### **KOTRA's Investment Consulting Center**

KOTRA's Investment Consulting Center offers free hospital visit accompaniment service to foreign investors and their family members. The languages supported are English and Japanese. (Reserve by phone at least one week in advance.)

English consultant: 82-2-3497-1056

Japanese consultant: 82-2-3497-1055



## Emergency Medical portal, E-gen

The National Emergency Medical Center (NEMC) is an organization that processes and manages information on emergency medical situations that happen anywhere around the country. The center operates an emergency medical portal called E-gen to provide more convenient and faster emergency medical services to the people by improving services on the ground and at hospitals, building stronger mutual contacts, and expanding various digitalized services powered by the latest IT technology.

Information on hospitals, drug stores, ER, automated external defibrillator (AED), and first aid is available on the E-gen website (<http://www.e-gen.or.kr>).



## International Healthcare Center

### General Hospitals (Western medicine, Oriental medicine)

#### Seoul National University Hospital International Healthcare Center

- **Tel:** 82-2-2072-0505
- **Website:** <http://www.snuh.org/english/>
- **Language:** English, Chinese, Japanese, other foreign languages

#### Samsung Medical Center

- **Tel:** 82-2-3410-0200/ 0226
- **Website:** <http://english.samsunghospital.com/main/english.do>
- **Language:** English, Chinese, Japanese, etc.

#### Severance Hospital

- **Tel:** 82-2-2228-5800 / 5810
- **Website:** <http://www.yuhs.or.kr/en/>
- **Language:** English, Chinese, Japanese, etc.

#### ASAN Medical Clinic

- **Tel:** 82-2-3010-5001
- **Website:** <http://eng.amc.seoul.kr/asan/lang/eng/main.do>
- **Language:** English, Chinese, Japanese, etc.

### **Korea Univ. Medical Center**

- **Tel:** 82-2-920-5677
- **Website:** <http://www.kumc.or.kr>
- **Language:** English, Chinese, Mongolian, Russian

### **KyungHee University Medical Center**

- **Tel:** 82-2-958-9644/ 9477
- **Website:** <http://www.khuoh.or.kr>
- **Language:** English, Chinese, Japanese, Russian

### **Jaseng Hospital of Korean Medicine**

- **Tel:** 82-2-3218-2167(English) /  
3218-2106, 3218-2169 (Japanese) /  
3218-2177 (Russian)
- **Website:** <http://www.jaseng.co.kr>
- **Language:** English, Chinese, Japanese,  
Mongolian, Russian

### **Women's Hospital**

- Medi-i Women's Hospital
- **Tel:** 82-2-936-2122
- **Website:** [www.medi-i.com](http://www.medi-i.com)
- **Language:** English

### **CHEIL Women's Healthcare Center**

- **Tel:** 82-2-2000-7357 (English) /  
82-2-2000-7351~2 (Chinese) /  
82-2-2000-7351 (Japanese)
- **Website:** <http://www.cheilmc.co.kr>
- **Language:** English, Chinese, Japanese, Mongolian, Russian

### **Miz Medi Hospital**

- **Tel:** 82-1588-2701 / 82-2-3467-3814
- **Website:** <http://www.mizmedi.com>
- **Language:** English, Chinese, Mongolian, Russian



## National Health Insurance

### **Employee health insurance (workplace insurance) subscription target guide**

- The employer and employees of a workplace that hires one or more full-time workers.
- Workplaces without an employee are not eligible
- Workplaces not eligible for enrollment
  - Workplaces without a permanent address
  - Individual workplaces with no employee and only a representative
- Enrollment is mandatory for corporations, even if there are no employees and just one representative

### **Foreigners and overseas Koreans' application for exclusion from enrollment in workplace insurance**

- The Enforcement Decree of the National Health Insurance Act (Foreigners etc. to be Policyholders and their Dependents)
- The Enforcement Rule of the same Act (Notification of Foreigners' Enrollment)
- Criteria for Overseas Koreans and Foreigners' Enrollment in National Health Insurance (Ministry of Health and Welfare Notification No. 2007-69)

### **Health insurance for the self-employed**

- **Eligibility:** Registered foreign residents (satisfying the eligibility criteria below), those who reported their place of domestic residence and those who reported their enrollment in a health insurance program



Note	National Pension	Health Insurance
<b>Eligibility (types of residency)</b>	Cultural Arts (D-1), Study Abroad (D-2), Industrial Training (D-3), General Training (D-4), Journalism (D-5), Religious Affairs (D-6), Supervisory Intra-company Transfer (D-7), Corporate Investor (D-8), Trade Management (D-9), Professorship (E-1), Foreign Language Instructor (E-2), Research (E-3), Technology Transfer (E-4), Professional Employment (E-5), Arts & Performances (E-6), Special Occupation (E-7), Non-professional Employment (E-9), Family Visitation (F-1), Residential (F-2), Dependent Family (F-3), Overseas Korean (F-4), Permanent Residence (F-5), Foreign Spouse (F-6) Temporary Worker(H-1), Working Visitor(H-2), Korean Nationals Residing Abroad	
<b>Documents required</b>	Alien registration card Proof of income if applicable Domestic Residence Report Card for people of Korean descent (F-4)	Domestic residence report card Certificate of academic enrollment (D-2, overseas Koreans)
<b>Date of insurance acquisition (for those who entered Korea before December 17, 2008)</b>	Date of alien registration or date of report of domestic residence	Date of report of domestic residence
<b>Date of insurance acquisition (for those who entered Korea on and after December 17, 2008)</b>	3 months from the date of entry into Korea (the date of entry for those with a student or employment visa)	3 months from the date of entry into Korea (the date of entry for those with a student or employment visa)
<b>Where to submit the application</b>	Local branch with jurisdiction over the registered place of residence (alien registration card/ domestic residence report card)	
<b>Application method</b>	When submitted personally by the applicant (immediate processing) -Submission of required documents -Instant issuance of the enrollment certificate (1st month insurance contribution must be paid at the time of the issuance)	
<b>Co-insurance of family members</b>	The following household members of a foreign resident or an overseas Korean may be co-insured: -Eligible household members: Lineal ascendants and descendants of the insured member (including children of his/her daughters), unmarried brothers and sisters, spouses of household members, lineal ascendants and descendants of the spouse of the insured member.	

\*Inquiries about the health insurance plan: 82-1577-1000, 82-2-390-2000(English) [www.nhic.or.kr](http://www.nhic.or.kr)

## Pharmacies

In Korea, drugs like cold medicines, antacids, laxatives and vitamins can be bought over the counter at a pharmacy, without a prescription, but more specialized drugs like antibiotics and hormone pills require a prescription to purchase.

For prescription drugs, your pharmacist most often wraps pills by single doses before giving them to you. As many drugs come with no dosage or other information, you need to listen carefully to your pharmacist's instructions and ask questions. If your pharmacist can speak English, ask him/her if he/she could write it down for you. If you have any kind of drug allergy, tell your doctor about it so that you can get the prescription that is right for you. Note also that you cannot refill your prescriptions in Korea, which means that if you need more of the same medications, you must see your doctor again for a new prescription.

※ Check the list of pharmacies that open on weekends (or all year round) at <http://www.pharm114.or.kr> (Korean only)





# 07 Broadcasting/ Telecommunication

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- TV Networks
- Fixed-Line Phone and Internet
- Mobile Phone Service
- News Outlets





# Broadcasting/ Telecommunication

## TV Networks

### Korean terrestrial broadcasting stations

Broadcasting Station	Channel	TEL	Website
<b>KBS1</b>	No. 9	82-1588-1801 82-2-781-1000	<a href="http://www.kbs.co.kr">http://www.kbs.co.kr</a>
<b>KBS2</b>	No. 7	82-1577-1300	<a href="http://www.kbs.co.kr">http://www.kbs.co.kr</a>
<b>MBC</b>	No. 11	82-2-789-0011	<a href="http://www.imbc.com">http://www.imbc.com</a>
<b>SBS</b>	No. 6	82-2-2001-6600	<a href="http://www.sbs.co.kr">http://www.sbs.co.kr</a>
<b>EBS/EBS2</b>	No. 10	82-1588-1580	<a href="http://www.ebs.co.kr">http://www.ebs.co.kr</a>

### Cable TV (requires set-top box)

Cable TV, which combines broadcasting and communication, is a multichannel broadcasting service airing various programs such as news, movies, music, entertainment, documentaries, sports, religion, education, baduk (game of Go), and home shopping. Foreigners should check with their local cable service provider for the documents

required for foreign subscribers. For the contact number of local cable service providers, refer to the Korean Cable TV Association website ([www.kcta.or.kr](http://www.kcta.or.kr), Korean only). Among the many cable channels, Arirang TV ([www.arirang.com](http://www.arirang.com)) airs programs that provide information on Korea in foreign languages.



- **Korea Cable TV Association**

**Tel:** 82-2-735-6511 **Web:** [www.kcta.or.kr](http://www.kcta.or.kr)

- **Arirang International Broadcasting**

**Tel:** 82-2-3475-5000 **Web:** [www.arirang.com](http://www.arirang.com)

- **Required information for cable TV subscription:** name, phone number (home/mobile), address of subscriber and alien registration card

## Satellite broadcasting

After installing a satellite antenna and receiver set, subscribers can access almost 140 channels including movie, news, music, sports, and audio as well as broadcasts from regional broadcasting networks, international channels such as DW-TV (Germany), TV5 (France), RAI (Italia), TVE (Spain), NHK (Japan), and English channels such as MCM(music channel), WTN, BBC, NBC, CNN, CNBC, etc.



- **Sky Life**

**Tel:** 82-1588-8665/82-2-2003-3000 **Web:** [www.skylife.co.kr](http://www.skylife.co.kr)

- **SEKI SATELLITE Co., Ltd.**

**Tel:** 82-2-2231-7989 **Web:** [www.sekisat.co.kr](http://www.sekisat.co.kr)

## Radio

There are several AM and FM radio stations that air foreign language programs. AFN is the only around-the-clock English program broadcasting channel, at 548 AM and 102.7 FM frequencies.

- **Internet Service:** <http://www.classicfm.co.za> (around-the-clock English program)



## Fixed-Line Phone and Internet

Korea's major telecom service providers—KT Olleh, SK Broadband and LG U-Plus—offer fixed-line telephone, internet phone, mobile phone and internet TV services. Subscription can be made through telephone or the company website, and once a subscription request is accepted, the company will dispatch an installation engineer.

The fees include subscription fee, basic fee, and equipment (modem) usage fee, and users need to carefully consider the service fee and benefits offered by each company when choosing a plan. Contracts are normally made for one, two, or three year period, and companies may offer partial fee discounts. Cancelling a service within the contract period may incur a cancellation charge. It is advised to visit the website of each telecom provider and compare the various options before choosing a plan.

※ Users can benefit from fee discounts by using bundled services (multiple telecom services such as internet, telephone, mobile communication provided as a bundle).

Category	Homepage/Telephone
	<p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.olleh.com">http://www.olleh.com</a>  <b>Inquiries:</b> Dial 82-100  <b>Foreign language customer service:</b> Call 82-1588-8448</p>
	<p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.skbbroadband.com">http://www.skbbroadband.com</a> (English available)  <b>Inquiries:</b> Dial 82-106  <b>Foreign language customer service:</b> Call 82-080-8282-1063</p>
	<p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.uplus.co.kr">http://www.uplus.co.kr</a> (English available)  <b>Inquiries:</b> Dial 82-101</p>

\*All equipment usage and communication fees include VAT.



## Mobile Phone Service

### Opening a mobile phone account

Consultation services for foreign residents in Korea are offered by SKT, KT, LGT, and other telecommunication companies in English, Chinese, Japanese, and various other languages. Using such a service will make activating your mobile phones and selecting your monthly plans much easier and more convenient. There are two methods of payment for mobile phone usage by foreign nationals in Korea, i.e. paying up front for a prepaid phone or paying at the end of the month. Prepaid phone rates are more expensive than those of deferred payment phones, but they do not come with a fixed contract of 2-3 years, which means that you can use a prepaid phone for the desired length of time. Referred to as PPS, they are appropriate for people who intend to stay in Korea for a short period of time only, and you can open a line in your name as long as you have a passport. For deferred payment phones, the sign-up procedure is the same as for Korean citizens, but it is recommended that you verify the policy regarding the number of phones you can activate, installment options, and security deposit policies because the policies vary according to one's sojourn status.

Category	Homepage/Telephone
	No deposit. Prepaid plan available Korean credit card or bank account required Offers customer service in English/Chinese/Japanese <b>Mobile phone service:</b> Dial 82-1583 or 82-2-2190-1180 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.olleh.com">http://www.olleh.com</a>
	Requires deposit to subscribe <b>English customer service:</b> Tel. 82-2525-011 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.tworld.co.kr">http://www.tworld.co.kr</a> (English available)
	Offers same plan as those provided to domestic persons; requires bank account <b>English customer service:</b> Tel. 82-1544-0010 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.uplus.co.kr">http://www.uplus.co.kr</a> (English available)

#### ※ What foreigners should know before subscribing to a mobile phone plan

- Foreigners must bring their alien registration card or certificate of report of domestic residence.
- Payment can only be made through a bank account or credit card under the subscriber's name.

## TIP

### Website for comparing mobile phone monthly plans

**Web:** <http://www.wiseuser.go.kr>

This website is the English-language version of Wise User, a communication user information web portal operated by the Korea Communications Commission. It offers online guidance on signing up, using, and cancelling various communication product packages such as mobile phones, high-speed internet, landlines, internet phones, IPTV, and bundled products. The product comparison section under the services utilization category can be especially helpful when you want to change your monthly plan or telecommunication company because it regularly updates the data for comparing the monthly plans offered by each telecommunication company for mobile phones, high-speed internet, and IPTV. It also provides other useful information on international roaming services, fraud prevention, and customer protection centers.

## TIP

### Local area codes

**Landlines:** You can just dial the phone number without using the area code if you are making a call within the same region. However, you must dial the area code prior to the phone number if you are making a call to an outside area.

### Mobile phones

You must dial the area code first regardless of the area you are calling.

Seoul	02	Busan	051	Daegu	053
Incheon	032	Gwangju	062	Daejeon	042
Ulsan	053	Sejong	044	Gyeonggi-do	031
Gangwon-do	033	Chungcheongbuk-do	043	Chungcheongnam-do	041
Jeollabuk-do	063	Jeollanam-do	061	Gyeongsangbuk-do	054
Gyeongsangnam-do	055	Jeju-do	064		



## International calls

- How to make international calls: International call access number → Country code → Area code → Telephone no.
  - ※ When calling the U.S. from Korea: International call access number (001)+Country code (1)+Area code (omit 0 when the first digit is 0)+Telephone no.
  - ※ **International call access numbers:** KT (001), SK Telink (00700), LG U-Plus (002), Sejong Telecom (00365)

Country	Code	Country	Code	Country	Code
Argentina	54	Sweden	46	Belgium	32
Chile	56	Ireland	353	Netherlands	31
Andorra	376	Portugal	351	Hong Kong	852
China	86	Italy	39	New Zealand	64
Australia	61	Romania	40	Hungary	36
Russia	7	Japan	81	Germany	49
Austria	43	Spain	34	India	91
Saipan	1+670	Kuwait	965	Greece	30
Bahrain	973	Sri Lanka	94	Iran	98
Denmark	45	Poland	48	Guam	1+671
Bangladesh	880	Egypt	20	Iraq	964
Saudi Arabia	966	Macao	853	Switzerland	41
Brazil	55	Finland	358	Colombia	57
Singapore	65	Norway	47	Taiwan	886
Brunei	673	France	33	Malaysia	60
South Africa	27	Pakistan	92	Thailand	66
Bulgaria	359	Turkey	90	Mexico	52
UK	44	Philippines	63	US	1
Canada	1	Venezuela	58	Myanmar	95
Libya	218	Nigeria	234	Nepal	977
Mongolia	976	Vietnam	84	Sudan	249
Syria	963	Angola	244	Uzbekistan	998
Indonesia	62	Cambodia	855		

## TIP

### SIM card purchase (Korea Roaming SIM card)

You can purchase a prepaid SIM Card that can be used in Korea and most foreign countries. Below are the sales locations of the Korea Roaming SIM Cards.

#### • Where to buy a SIM card

You can purchase SIM cards on the homepages for SIMCARDKOREA and EG SIM CARD.

#### SIMCARDKOREA

- **Homepage:** [www.simcardkorea.com](http://www.simcardkorea.com) (Korean, English)
- **Operating hours:** 09:00-18:00
- **Tel:** 82-505-648-7000 (Korean)/ 82-505-649-7000 (English)
- **Email:** [kjy@simcardkorea.com](mailto:kjy@simcardkorea.com) (English)

#### EG SIM CARD

- **Homepage:** <http://www.egsimcard.co.kr> (Korean, English, Japanese, Chinese)
- **Operating hours:** 09:00-22:00
- **Tel:** 82-1899-6120 (Korean, English, Chinese)





# News Outlets

## Foreign language press

Press	Tel	Website	Foreign Language Service
The Kyunghyang Shinmun	82-2-3701-1114	<a href="http://www.khan.co.kr">http://www.khan.co.kr</a>	English
The Kukmin Daily	82-2-781-9114	<a href="http://www.kmbi.co.kr">http://www.kmbi.co.kr</a>	English
The Dong-A Ilbo	82-2-2020-0114	<a href="http://www.donga.com">http://www.donga.com</a>	English, Chinese, Japanese
Yonhap News Agency	82-2-398-3114	<a href="http://www.yonhapnews.co.kr">http://www.yonhapnews.co.kr</a>	English
The Chosunilbo	82-2-724-5114	<a href="http://www.chosun.com">http://www.chosun.com</a>	English, Chinese, Japanese
JoongAng Ilbo	82-2-751-5114	<a href="http://joongangjoins.com">http://joongangjoins.com</a>	English, Chinese, Japanese
MK Business News	82-2-2000-2000	<a href="http://www.mk.co.kr">http://www.mk.co.kr</a>	English, Chinese, Japanese
The Hankyoreh	82-1566-9595	<a href="http://www.hani.co.kr">http://www.hani.co.kr</a>	English, Japanese
The Korea Economic Daily	82-2-360-4114	<a href="http://www.hankyung.com">http://www.hankyung.com</a>	English
Herald Biz	82-2-727-0114	<a href="http://biz.heraldcorp.com">http://biz.heraldcorp.com</a>	English Newspaper
Korea Herald	82-2-727-0205, 0206	<a href="http://www.koreaherald.com">http://www.koreaherald.com</a>	English Newspaper
The Korea Times	82-2-724-2359	<a href="http://www.koreatimes.co.kr">http://www.koreatimes.co.kr</a>	English Newspaper



Broadcasting/Telecommunication



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## Education

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- Foreign Schools and Educational Institutions
- Major Foreign Schools
- Major foreign educational institutions





# Education



## Foreign Schools and Educational Institutions

As of November 2018, there are a total of 40 foreign schools in Korea. More than half of them are located in Seoul and there are many in Gyeonggi-do and Busan. There are eight foreign educational institutions in Korea and there are four international schools in Jeju-do. Foreign schools and foreign educational institutions may sound similar, but they are different in terms of ground laws, requirements for establishment, entry requirements, etc.

**Foreign educational institutions:** These are educational institutions established in Korea by non-profit organizations or local governments which operate kindergarten, elementary, middle and high school educational institutions with the approval of the Minister of Education, under foreign laws and regulations of a foreign country.



**Foreign Schools:** These are schools that are established to provide the children of foreigners staying in Korea education from their own countries. Domestic residents returning to Korea after residing in a foreign country for three years or longer may be admitted within certain ratios of the full capacity of students.

**Jeju International School :** This is a school established in Jeju English Education City with the approval of the Superintendent of Education in Jeju. Its purpose is to improve foreign language fluency and develop globalized professional human resources. A Jeju International School may be established with kindergarten, elementary school, middle school, and high school courses or respective school courses may be consolidated or integrated for operation.

Classification	Foreign educational institute	Foreign school	Jeju int'l school
Entry requirements	No restrictions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Children of foreigners</li> <li>- Koreans who have resided overseas for three years or longer</li> <li>- Children of foreigners who naturalized to Korea who are considered unfit to be educated in Korean elementary, junior high or high schools</li> </ul>	No restrictions
Percentage of Korean students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Elementary, junior high: Up to 30% of the total number of students (can be raised to up to 50% with approval by city or provincial educational rule)</li> <li>- High school: No restrictions</li> </ul>	Up to 30% of the total number of students (can be raised to up to 50% with approval by city or provincial educational rule)	No restrictions
Establishment/ Operation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No. of kindergartens, elementary schools, junior high schools: 2</li> <li>- No. of high schools: 6</li> </ul>	40 schools nationwide	4 schools (Korea International School Jeju Campus, LCS Jeju, Branksome Hall Asia, SJA Jeju)

## TIP

### Curious about foreign schools in Korea?

It would be a good idea to check out the comprehensive guide provided on the website operated by the Ministry of Education (<https://www.isi.go.kr/en/index.do>). You can access a wide range of information covering everything from international kindergartens to universities, and information about foreign educational institutions and schools and their contacts and website information as well.

English is the main language in most international schools in Korea, and U.S.-style curricula are taught. Students planning to continue their studies in a Korean university need to earn additional credits in Korean and Korean history. However, the standard curriculum suffices for those planning to complete their higher education abroad. You must check if there is an authorized education program for entering college.

The number of students enrolled varies widely, from 100 to as many as 1,500. The tuition ranges from US\$ 15,000 to 25,000 annually. Other expenses such as the school bus fee, textbook costs and extracurricular activity costs must also be considered.

Admission criteria vary depending on the school, and laws and regulations related to international schools change frequently. Therefore, it is best to directly inquire with the school to obtain exact and up-to-date information.



## Major Foreign Schools

### SEOUL

#### Dwight School Seoul

Established in 2012, the Dwight School Seoul has campuses in the U.S., U.K., China, Canada, etc. Also, the school provides an International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum, and many students move on to prestigious universities. The Dwight School Seoul operates a 'Quest Program' which provides customized programs for each student.

Established year	No. of students	Grades	Curriculum	Foreign languages taught	Entry requirements
2012	27 classes/ 366 students	PS3-12	Operates IB program	German, Korean, Spanish, Mandarin	At least 1 parent has to be a foreign national or the student should have resided overseas for 3 years or longer

**Address:** 62-gil, Worldcupbuk-ro, Mapo-gu, Seoul

**Website:** <http://www.dwight.or.kr>

#### Yongsan International School of Seoul

The Yongsan International School of Seoul was originally established as Seoul International Christian School in 1990. It changed its name to its current one when it was relocated to the Hannam-dong campus by the Korea Foreign School Foundation in 2006. More than half of the school's teachers hold a master's degree and have a lot of teaching experience. The school operates the English Language Learning (ELL) course for students who lack English skills, and a Special Language Center (SLC) course for students having trouble following up with the regular curriculum. Through the Guardians With a Message (GWAM) program, the school has friendly matches with international schools in and outside of Korea and has various exchanges.

Established year	No. of students	Grades	Curriculum	Foreign languages taught	Entry requirements
2006	41 classes/972 students	K-12	Runs IB program	Chinese, French, Japanese, Korean, Spanish	- At least one parent is a foreigner or the student resided overseas for 3 years or longer - The student currently attends an international school

**Address:** 285 Itaewon-ro, Yongsan-gu, Seoul

**Website:** <http://www.yisseoul.org>

## Gyeonggi-do

### Korea International School Pangyo

Korea International School Pangyo was established in 1999. The school's library has more than 4,000 books and academic journals. The teachers own a master's degree or higher, and there are less than 20 students per class. Korea International School Pangyo adopted the AP Capstone diploma program and offers more than 130 after-school activities.

Established year	No. of students	Grades	Curriculum	Foreign languages taught	Entry requirements
1999	95 classes/1106 students	PK-12	Runs AP program	Chinese, French, Korean, Spanish	- At least one parent is a foreigner or the student resided overseas for 3 years or longer - The student currently attends an international school

**Address:** 27, 385 beon-gil, Daewangpangyoro, Bundang-gu, Seongnam-si, Gyeonggi-do

**Website:** <http://www.kis.kr>

## Other areas

### Cheongna Dalton School

The Cheongna Dalton School builds and expands on the Dalton plan developed by the American educator Helen Parkhurst. Based on the three parts of the Dalton plan, which are House, Assignment, and Lab, the school focuses on operating an education program that nurtures the creativity and potential of students with freedom and cooperation as its two principles.

Established year	No. of students	Grades	Curriculum	Foreign languages taught	Entry requirements
2011	26 classes/ 381 students	K-12	AP program	Chinese, Korean, Spanish	At least one parent is a foreigner or the student resided overseas for 3 years or longer

**Address:** 344, Cheomdandong-ro, Seo-gu, Incheon

**Website:** <http://www.daltonschool.kr>

## Major foreign educational institutions

### Chadwick International

Chadwick school was established in 1935 by founder Margaret Lee Chadwick, based on its education philosophy focusing on holistic education. Currently, there are two campuses – one in the U.S. and one in Korea. The Songdo campus has enjoyed popularity since its establishment in 2013. The teacher to student ratio is 1:8 and there are an average of 19 students per class. The school also provides various outdoor programs.

**Address:** 45, 97 beon-gil, Art center-daero, Yeonsu-gu, Incheon

**Website:** <http://www.chadwickinternational.org>

### Daegu International School

Daegu International School (DIS) was established for the children of the employees of foreign-invested companies and Korean students in the Gyeongbuk region. It became the first foreign educational facility to receive approval for establishment from the Ministry of Education on April 3, 2010. Based on the U.S. boarding school Lee Academy's program, the school runs a dormitory for grades five and up. The school also provides an AP program, and students can choose between Chinese or Spanish as their second foreign language course.

**Address:** 22, 50-gil, Palgong-ro, Dong-gu, Daegu

**Website:** <http://www.dis.sc.kr>



# 09 Employment

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- Getting a Job





# Employment



## Getting a Job

Foreigners can only get a job that conforms to the visa with which they are issued according to their purpose of entry. Married immigrants who are issued spousal visas (F-13 and -F21) may also get jobs. The website below can help foreigners to access information related to getting jobs.

- \* You can check whether your visa allows you to get a job at the website of e-Government for Foreigners ([www.hikorea.go.kr](http://www.hikorea.go.kr)) or by calling 1345 without dialing the area code.

### Seoul Global Center ([global.seoul.go.kr](http://global.seoul.go.kr))

This website operated by the Seoul Metropolitan Government provides information on job fairs, getting jobs and employment and is available in English and Chinese.

### Employment Permit System ([www.eps.go.kr](http://www.eps.go.kr))

This website provides recruitment/employment support service including filing of applications and inquiry on application status for business owners residing in Korea and foreign workers. It also provides employment and job support services, and information on the employment permit system, employment process, and prospective employment opportunities in 20 different languages including English, Chinese, Thai, and Vietnamese. It also provides different visa services for regular entry foreign nationals (E-9 visa) or special entry foreign nationals (H-2 visa).

### Hi Korea ([www.hikorea.go.kr](http://www.hikorea.go.kr))

This portal website provides a wide range of information and services for foreigners residing in Korea. The services provided include electronic processing of applications, employment



support, and investment support. The website also provides links to other useful sites such as Invest KOREA (<http://www.investkorea.org>), which provides information on investing in Korea in four different languages (Korean, English, Chinese, Japanese), the Korea Visa Portal ([www.visa.go.kr](http://www.visa.go.kr)), and the Employment Permit System site ([www.eps.go.kr](http://www.eps.go.kr)).

**TIP****Danuri (<http://www.liveinkorea.kr>)**

Danuri is a website providing a wide range of information and tips for foreigners who have come to live in Korea for reasons of marriage, immigration or employment. The website provides information in 13 languages, including English, Chinese, Japanese, Russian, Thai, Vietnamese, and Tagalog. The information is categorized into sections such as Residence and Foreigner Support, Support for Adaptation to Korea (Korean Society), Job Seeking Services, and Life and Medical Aid. Also, the Guidebook for Living in Korea, which is designed to help foreigners adjust to life in Korea, is available in PDF format. In addition, the Multicultural Family Helpline (82-1577-1366), which provides consulting in 13 languages, operates 24 hours a day.



# 10 Support for Foreigners

- Foreigner Support Service
- Business Etiquette





## Support for Foreigners

### **Foreigner Support Service**

Both the government and private organizations provide services such as education on Korean language and culture, and counseling designed to aid foreigners to adjust to life in Korea. The services offered by foreigner support institutions are especially useful in the early days when it is difficult to communicate and form relationships with Korean people and the culture seems rather strange and unfamiliar.

#### **TIP**



**Papago** is a free artificial intelligence-based multilingual machine translation service app offered by Naver, the most popular search engine in Korea. Currently, it supports Korean, English, Japanese, Chinese (both simplified and traditional), Spanish, French, Vietnamese, Thai, and Indonesian.

Android users can download the app from Google Play Store, and IOS users can search Papago from the Apple Store and download it.

You can select the language that suits your need, and enter the text you need to translate either by typing or using voice recognition.

### **Korean language education**

Learning Korean is an absolute necessity in order to understand Korean culture and to live in Korea without too many problems or difficulties. There are many institutions where foreigners can learn Korean free of charge. The MulticulturalFamily Support Center, the Korea Support Center for Foreign Workers and the Korean Language Institute are some of the most well-known institutions that provide education on Korean language for foreigners. The Multicultural Family Support Center runs a home teaching program which dispatches Korean language teachers to the homes of married immigrants. Various online Korean education programs are also available recently, and foreigners can learn Korean at home when it suits them.

## Seoul Global Center Free Korean Course

The Seoul Global Center provides free Korean language classes that are available for any non-Korean residing in the capital city. Complimentary classes are offered in different difficulty levels.

Web: <http://global.seoul.go.kr/>

Tel: 82-2-2075-4130~1(English)/82-2-2075-4113(Chinese)/82-2-2075-4105(Japanese)

E-mail: [hotline@seoul.go.kr](mailto:hotline@seoul.go.kr)

### • International Migrant Center

This center organizes regular festivals, camps, and Korean courses for multicultural families. You can browse the complete list of activities on the official notice board on their website.

Web: <http://www.migrantcenter.net/>

Tel: 82-31-795-5158



## Business Etiquette

### 1. Make a deep bow to express gratitude

If you have met someone for the first time or visited someone for a purpose, make a medium bow by bending your waist down about 30 degrees. If you run into someone more than once a day or if the space is narrow, a light bow is appropriate. If you want to express your gratitude or make an apology, a deep bow bending down 45 degrees is proper. If you run into your boss or colleague in the bathroom, don't try to make eye contact, and make a slight bow when the timing is appropriate.

### 2. How to exchange business cards

When exchanging business cards, the person with the lower rank should hand out his/her card first. However, if one is a visitor, the visitor should hand out his/her card first regardless of his/her rank. Present your business card with both hands. If you are holding your card out with one hand, make sure the left hand is touching the bottom of the right hand. Turn your name card towards the direction of the recipient so that he/she can check the card right away, and say your name and company name while making eye contact. When receiving a business card, it is proper to stand up and receive the card, even if the person giving the card is of a lower rank. When exchanging cards at the same time, hand out your card with your right hand and receive your counterpart's card with your left hand while being careful not to cover the name of your counterpart with your fingers. Upon receiving a name card, quietly read out the name and title on the card. Do not put the card in your card case or pocket right away and place it on the lower right side of your table.



# 11

## Shopping

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- Traditional Markets
- Seoul Bamdokkaebi Night Market
- Department Stores
- Hypermarket Chains
- Convenience Stores
- TV Homeshopping
- Internet Shopping





# Shopping

## Traditional Markets

Traditional markets in Korea have long been an integral part of the daily life of ordinary Korean people and are now regarded as an important element of their cultural heritage, and thus are becoming popular tourist attractions among foreign travellers in Korea. The markets, open once every five or seven days or, for some, seven days a week, not only offer a great range of commodities and farming and marine products at low prices but also present various cultural events. The attractive merits of the traditional markets include haggling over prices and getting something you want at incredibly low, "clearance" prices.

- Noryangjin Fisheries Wholesale Market, Garak-dong Agro-Fisheries Wholesale Market, Gyeongdong Yangnyeong Market, Cheongnyangni Fruit Market

## Popular traditional markets in Seoul

- **Dongdaemun Shopping Complex / Dongdaemun Shopping Town**

**Address:** 266, Jongno-6 ga, Jongno-gu, Seoul

**Tel:** 82-2-2262-0114

**Products:** fabrics, fashion accessories, clothing materials, wedding products, household goods, and more.





- **Namdaemun Market**

**Address:** 21, Namdaemunsijang 4-gil, Junggu, Seoul

**Tel:** 82-2-1330 / 82-2-753-2805 1330

**Web:** [www.namdaemunmarket.co.kr](http://www.namdaemunmarket.co.kr)

**Products:** fashion apparel, accessories, consumer electronics, cosmetics, ginseng, and much more.

- **Garak Market**

**Address:** 932, Yangjae-daero, Songpa-gu, Seoul

**Tel:** 82-2-3435-1000

**Web:** [www.garak.co.kr](http://www.garak.co.kr)

**Products:** agricultural and livestock products, fish, etc.

- **Noryangjin Fisheries Wholesale Market**

**Address:** 688, Nodeul-ro, Dongjak-gu, Seoul

**Tel:** 82-2-814-2211~2

**Web:** [www.susansijang.co.kr](http://www.susansijang.co.kr)

**Products:** seafood



- **Seoul Gyeongdong Market**

**Address:** Wangsan-ro, Dongdaemun-gu, Seoul

**Tel:** 82-2-967-8721

**Web:** [www.kyungdongmart.com](http://www.kyungdongmart.com)

**Products:** oriental medicine ingredients, dried seafood, vegetable



- **Bangsan Market**

**Address:** 20, Dongho-ro 37-gil, Jung-gu, Seoul

**Tel:** 82-2-2268-6691

**Web:** [www.bangsan-tmk.com](http://www.bangsan-tmk.com)

**Products:** papers (Gift wraps, packaging papers, wall papers, etc.)

- **Gwangjang Market**

**Address:** 88, Changgyeonggung-ro, Jongno-gu, Seoul

**Tel:** 82-2-2267-0291

**Web:** <http://www.kwangjangmarket.co.kr>

**Products:** silk, textile, fashion apparel, agricultural and marine products, bedding, handicrafts, and more

- **Seoul Jungbu Market**

**Address:** 35, Eulji-ro 36-gil, Jung-gu, Seoul

**Tel:** 82-2-2267-5617

**Web:** <http://www.jungbusijang.co.kr>

**Products:** dried goods, fruits and vegetables, agricultural wholesale market



- **Hwanghakdong Flea Market**

**Address:** Hwanghak-dong, Seoul

**Tel:** 82-2-3396-6890, 82-2-3396-6900

**Products:** antiques, old furniture, electronic goods, watches, jewelry, camera and more  
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- **Seomun Market in Daegu**

**Address:** 45, Keunjang-ro 26-gil, Jung-gu, Daegu

**Tel:** 82-53-256-6341

**Web:** <http://www.seomun.net>

**Products:** Fabrics and textiles, fashion accessories, curtains, bedclothes, and other merchandise and groceries

- **Nambu Market in Jeonju**

**Address:** 19-3, Pungnam-mun 1-gil, Wansan-gu, Jeonju-si, Jeollabuk-do

**Tel:** 82-63-284-1344

**Web:** <http://jbsj.kr/>

**Products:** fabrics and textiles, furniture, dried seafood, vegetables, fruit, medicinal herbs and other merchandise

- **Andong Old Market**

**Address:** 184-4, Seobu-dong, Andong-si, Gyeongsangbuk-do

**Tel:** 82-54-858-9002

**Web:** <http://www.adjang.kr>

**Products:** local specialties such as spicy stewed chicken, Andong hemp fabric, Andong Soju, and clothing, farming and marine products, and other merchandise

- **Jagalchi Market in Busan**

**Address:** 52, Jagalchihaean-ro, Jung-gu, Busan

**Tel:** 82-51-245-2594

**Web:** <http://jagalchimarket.bisco.or.kr/>

**Products:** seafood products including fish, dried fish, other fish products

- **Gugyeong Market in Danyang/Danyang Fifth-day Market**

(Open on the 1st, 6th, 11th, 16th, 21st and 26th day of the month)

**Address:** 31, Dojeon 5-gil, Danyang-eup, Danyang-gun, Chungcheongbuk-do

**Tel:** 82-43-422-3301

**Products:** farming products (garlic and dried chilli pepper in particular), daily necessities, clothing, etc

- **Gwangyang Fifth-day Market**

(Open on the 1st, 6th, 11th, 16th, 21st and 26th day of the month)

**Address:** 3, Baegun-ro, Gwangyang-eup, Gwangyang-si, Jeollanam-do

**Tel:** 82-61-797-2601

**Products:** agricultural products and fisheries, clothing and other merchandise

- **Moran Market in Seongnam**

(Open on the 4th 9th, 14th, 19th, 24th and 29th day of the month)

**Address:** 79, Dunchon-daero, Jungwon-gu, Seongnam-si, Gyeonggi-do

**Tel:** 82-31-721-9905

**Products:** medicinal herbs, livestock, chilli pepper, grains and flowers





## Seoul Bamdokkaebi Night Market

With the dokkaebi (a mythical creature in Korean folklore also known as a Korean goblin) as its mascot, the Seoul Bamdokkaebi Night Market opens in areas around Seoul and provides a unique experience.

Combining a great night view, traditional market culture, specialized products and sellers and unique operating system, the Night Market became a brand name representing the nightlife of Seoul.

The Bamdokkaebi Night Market opens in four areas in Seoul – Yeouido, Banpo, DDP and Cheonggyecheon.

- Yeouido (Mulbit Square, Yeouido Hangang Park, Yeoidong-ro, Yeongdeungpo-gu, Seoul)
- Banpo (40 Banpo Hangang Park, Sinbanpo-ro 11-gil, Seocho-gu, Seoul)
- DDP (281, Euljiro, Jung-gu, Seoul)
- Cheonggyecheon (Gwangtonggyo, 14, Seorin-dong, Jongro-gu, Seoul)

### TIP

#### Shopping Guide

**Lotte World Mall:** Lotte World Mall is a tourist attraction for travelers who like to shop, offering various domestic and overseas brands. The mall features Avenuel, which is the largest luxury brand department store in Korea, as well as Korea's biggest duty-free shopping center, Lotte Duty Free Shop, Lotte Hi-Mart, Shopping Mall and Lotte Mart. Visitors can also experience culture and art as the mall houses Asia's largest-scale multiplex Lotte Cinema World Tower, Lotte World Aquarium, and Korea's first vineyard style Lotte Concert Hall. In other words, Lotte World Mall is a great place for enjoying both shopping and entertainment.

**Starfield Hanam:** Starfield Hanam is a multi-level lifestyle shopping mall jointly created by Korea's Shinsegae Properties and U.S. shopping mall developer Taubman Centers. Starfield Hanam is a shopping complex with more than 750 stores. It also features Sports Monster where visitors can enjoy over 30 different sports, and Aquafield where visitors can have fun in the water while enjoying the view of Han River and Mt. Geomdan.

**COEX**(floor area of 460,000㎡) is a four-story building with four exhibition halls (36,007㎡), 50 meeting rooms (11,614㎡ – can be divided into 92 rooms), the best convenience facilities and performance halls and office space. It is a multi-cultural space with libraries, fashion & beauty stores, restaurants and cafes, entertainment facilities and hotels.

**Tel:** 82-6000-0114

**Open hours:** 10:00-18:00

## Department Stores

Department stores in Korea offer a wide range of consumer goods such as clothing, food, electrical appliances, cosmetics, jewelry and housewares - usually with high-quality facilities and services. Prices tend to be higher than their competing retailers, but seasonal promotions and sales events help shoppers get high-quality products at surprisingly low prices. For foods, including fresh, cooked or half-cooked, you can buy them at much cheaper prices (50 to 70 percent of their original price) if you take advantage of closing time special offers.

- Lotte Department Store, Shinsegae Department Store, Hyundai Department Store, Galleria, Time Square, etc.



## Hypermarket Chains

Korea has several hypermarket chains enjoying brisk business with food, clothing, kitchenware and many other household items. These retailers are attracting a growing number of customers, family shoppers with children in particular, by offering good quality products at lower prices. Their strengths include modern-style facilities and services, and a wide shopping area. Visiting one to buy only a few items, however, may not be a wise option because you may have to join a long queue for payment.

- Emart, Emart Traders, Lotte Mart, Vic Market, Kim's Club, Home Plus, Costco, etc.



- ※ Of the hypermarkets listed above, Costco, Traders and Vic Market are membership-only warehouse clubs that tend to provide a wider selection of imported merchandise.

## Convenience Stores

Convenience stores offer a wide range of everyday items such as groceries, snack foods, confectionery, toiletries, soft drinks, tobacco products, magazines and newspapers, although the number of items they stock depends on their size. While they are conveniently located on almost every city street corner, prices are slightly higher than in market stores.

- CU, GS25, Seven Eleven, Buy The Way, Ministop, etc.



## TV Homeshopping

Korea now has a large number of TV homeshopping channels that sell a wide range of commodities and services, clothing, foods, cosmetics, electrical appliances, and insurance, automobile and travel products. One distinctive merit of using these homeshopping channels is that you can purchase the product or service you want through a simple telephone call, and often get an opportunity to receive bonus gifts. Delivery is quick, as is the refund process.

- Lotte Home Shopping, Hyundai Home Shopping, CJ O Shopping, NS Home Shopping, GS Shop, etc.



- ※ TV homeshopping channels now promote online shopping through computers and mobile apps by offering extra discounts, points, miles or cash back.

## Internet Shopping

Internet shopping is still growing at an alarming speed in Korea, as in the rest of the world, due to its convenience and low prices. Some online shopping sites deal with only a small selection of products, foods, clothing or books, while others have much wider selections just like department stores. While online shopping is convenient and saves time, shoppers need to make sure that the products they see on the PC monitor are the same products they would get elsewhere, and should be aware of how their personal information is handled.

- Gmarket, 11st, Interpark, Auction, Shinsegae Mall, Lotte Mall, etc.





## III. Travel

1. Seoul
2. Gyeonggi-do
3. Gangwon-do
4. Gyeongsang-do
5. Chungcheong-do
6. Jeju-do
7. Other





# Travel

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- Seoul
- Gyeonggi-do
- Gangwon-do
- Gyeongsang-do
- Chungcheong-do
- Jeju-do
- DMZ and JSA





# Travel

## Travel Destinations

### Seoul

**Jongmyo Shrine:** Designated as Historic Site No. 125, the Jongmyo Shrine is a royal shrine of the Joseon Dynasty where seasonal memorial rites are held to honor the deceased kings and their consort queens. The construction of the shrine began in 1394, three years after the coronation of the founder of the dynasty's King Taejo, and completed in 1421 when it was under the rule of its fourth monarch King Sejong. It was burnt down during the Imjin and Jeongju Wars (1592-1598) triggered by Japanese invasions, and was rebuilt in 1608, the year when King Gwanghaegun was enthroned. The shrine was enlisted in the UNESCO World Heritage Sites in 1995.

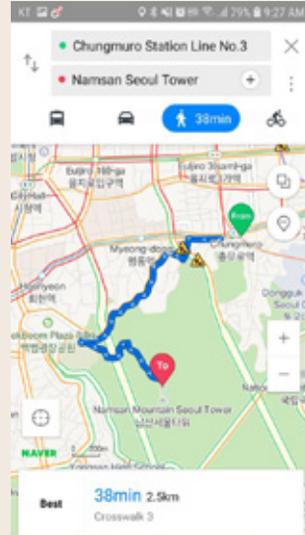
**Changdeokgung Palace:** This royal palace located in Waryong-dong of Jongno-gu, Seoul, is designated as Historic Site No. 122. It was established when Joseon (1392-1910) was under the rule of King Taejong (r. 1400-1418), and had since then had official royal residences and offices used by many Joseon rulers. It has many exquisite buildings including Donhwamun Gate (Treasure No. 383), and was added to the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list in 1997.



## TIP

### How to use 'Naver Map'

The Naver map is serviced in English, Chinese and Japanese. You can search the map by entering the address, store name or zip code, and you can even click an image map of Korea and find the place that you want. In addition, the search function finds the best course to a destination.



**Royal tombs of Joseon:** The Joseon Dynasty maintained unique funeral and burial traditions and there are eight royal tombs in Seoul, including Jeongneung, Heoninneung, Seonjeongneung, Taegangneung and Uireung. The tombs are regarded as important sources of knowledge regarding the views of the world, religion and nature of Korea in the Joseon period and architectural heritage representing the dynasty that lasted for over 500 years.



**Ganghwa Dolmen Site:** This historic site contains about 150 dolmens dotted around Goryeosan Mountain in Ganghwa-gun, Incheon Metropolitan City. The site has Korea's largest table-shaped dolmen, which is 6.4 m long and 2.5 m high. The dolmens in this site are located up to 100-200 meters above sea level, which is higher than other dolmens in Korea.



## ◀ TIP

### What is a Sajeok?

A Sajeok is a site of historical significance, where a historical building or structure used to be, or a historical monument designated by the government by law. They are monuments or sites with historical, academic or artistic significance.

When the Cultural Heritage Protection Act was legislated in 1962, 125 sites were designated as a Sajeok, and the number increased to 490 in 2014. Once a site is designated as a Sajeok, it is protected by the government as prescribed by the Cultural Heritage Protection Act.

The Dongnimmun Gate (Independence Gate), the Sajikdan Altar, the Hyangwonji Pond in Gyeongbokgung Palace, and the Gyerim Forest in Gyeongju are some of the well-known Sajeoks in Korea.

### Seoul Arts Center

Seoul Arts Center is an exhibition and performance center located near Umyeonsan mountain. The Center opened in 1993, and consists of an opera house, music performance hall, exhibition hall and lecture hall. More than 2,000 art performances (opera, concerts, recitals, etc.) and exhibitions are held every year at the Center.

**Tel:** 82-2-580-1300

**Web:** [www.sac.or.kr](http://www.sac.or.kr)



### Sejong Center for the Performing Arts

A culture and arts space located in Sejong-daero, the Center consists of the Sejong Grand Theater, the Sejong M Theater and Sejong Museum of Art. Before the Seoul Arts Center opened in 1988, all major performances in Korea were held at the Sejong Center, and the Center still hosts various performances, exhibitions and events.

**Tel:** 82-1544-1887/ 82-2-399-1114~6

**Web:** [www.sejongpac.or.kr](http://www.sejongpac.or.kr)



### Lotte Concert Hall

Lotte Concert Hall opened in 2016 as Korea's first Vineyard style of concert hall. With seats for 2,036 people, the hall is a major venue for diverse musical events, and classical and jazz concerts in particular.

**Tel:** 82-1544-7744

**Web (English):** <http://www.lotteconcerthall.com/eng>



### Daehangno

Daehangno refers to the 1.5 km zone in Hyejwa-dong, Seoul. Daehangno literally means 'university street' because the universities in the area drew many youths and students. The Seoul National University campus used to be in Daehangno but moved to Gwanak-gu in 1975. The campus site is now Maronie Park, which is crowded with people because many small cultural performance halls and theaters are located near the park. Every year, the Daehangno Small Theater Festival is held.

### National Museum of Korea

The museum is the biggest in Korea and boasts a collection of more than 300,000 historical artifacts. The museum building has six floors above ground and one underground floor, and the artifacts are displayed by era and type. The museum moved to its current location in 2005.

**Tel:** 82-2-2077-9000

**Web:** <http://www.museum.go.kr>



### Seoul Museum of Art

Established by Seoul city in 1988, the museum introduces and exhibits the works of Korean artists. The museum moved to its current building in 2005, and the building consists of three floors and six exhibition halls. The annex to the museum opened inside Gyeonghuigung palace in 2003.

**Address:** 61, Deoksugung-gil, Jung-gu, Seoul

**Tel:** 82-2-2124-8800

**Web:** [sema.seoul.go.kr](http://sema.seoul.go.kr)

## TIP

### Visit Seoul ([www.visitseoul.net](http://www.visitseoul.net)) - A fast and easy guide to travelling in Seoul

Seoul's official travel information site offers information on Seoul's major tourist sites and accommodations, popular restaurants, and recommended travel courses under various themes. You can make reservations for walking tours, as well as online reservations for movies and performances. You can also download the mobile application (<http://m.visitseoul.net>) to access information with your smartphone.

## Gyeonggi-do

### Everland

Everland is a theme park that features five themes including American Adventure, Magic Land, European Adventure, and Zootopia, in addition to a Global Fair showcasing major cities around the world. The theme park also features a flower garden where seasonal flowers including tulips and roses are on display, as well as Snow Buster, Korea's longest sledding hill, the

Aesop fables-themed Aesop Village, and Safari World, which is the world's only complex safari where both herbivorous animals and carnivorous beasts can be seen within the same park.



### Suwon Hwaseong Fortress

Located in downtown Suwon, Gyeonggi-do, and designated as Historic Site No. 3, the fortress is widely admired for its historic significance and architectural excellence, and its building involved the use of modern techniques and equipment as well as architectural design. It was placed into the UNESCO World Heritage Sites List in 1997.





**Namhansanseong Fortress:** Designated as Historic Site No. 57, Namhansanseong Fortress was built during the Joseon Dynasty to defend the nation's then-capital, Hanyang, like Bukhansanseong Fortress. The full scale construction of the fortress began in 1621 during King Gwanghaegun's rule. The fortress is currently a popular hiking spot as the road along the fortress walls are not too steep and well maintained. In 2014, Namhansanseong Fortress was designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

### **Korean Folk Village**

The village has around 270 traditional houses and buildings and has a collection of more than 16,000 folk artifacts. In traditional holidays like Seollal or Chuseok, various cultural events are held.

**Tel:** 82-31-288-0000

**Web:** [www.koreanfolk.co.kr](http://www.koreanfolk.co.kr)



### **Seongnam Arts Center**

The Seongnam Arts Center opened in 2005 by Seongnam city to bring culture and arts closer to its citizens. The Center consists of an opera house, concert hall, exhibition hall and conference hall.

**Tel:** 82-31-783-8000

**Web:** [www.snart.or.kr](http://www.snart.or.kr)

## Gangwon-do

### Pyeongchang:

**January 2009:** Pyeongchang city mentions plan to bid for the Winter Olympics

**July 6, 2011:** Final presentation and announcement of host country (Durban, South Africa) – Presentation by figure skater Yuna Kim

Pyeongchang won 63 votes, followed by Munich and Ancy with 25 votes and 7 votes, respectively. After the Pyeongchang winter Olympics, Gangwon-do Province became a popular winter tourist destination in East Asia and ski resorts in the area such as Alpensia Resort, High One Resort, Hongcheon Vivaldi Park, HoengseongWelliHilli Park, Taebaek O2 Resort saw increasing visitors.

The valleys and forests also attract hikers and campers around the year.



**Daegwallyeong:** Daegwallyeong is a 13km long mountain pass that rises to 832 meters with more than 99 curving hills.

It is a gateway to the Taebaek Mountains that connects Seoul and Youngdong area. Namdae Stream runs east of Daegwallyeong on its way to East Sea past Gangneung, and the tributary of Namhan River, Song Stream, runs south of the pass. The pass forms a high flat summit, and the basin is surrounded by Mt. Hwangbyungsan, Seonjaryeong Peak, and Mt. Balwangsang. The area records 1,717.2 mm of precipitation a year (average). Main agricultural products include alpine vegetables and seed potatoes, and the area also boasts stock farming. There is the popular Daegwallyeong Sheep Farm where flocks of sheep can be seen grazing in the green pastures. The sheep farm has a 1.2 km walking trail where you can enjoy a magnificent view of the summit of the Daegwallyeong pass.



### Sokcho: Seoraksan Mountain

Seoraksan is a mountain that is widely loved by Koreans throughout the four seasons and almost every Korean has visited the mountain.

In spring, the mountain signals the fantastic beginning of the new season with green leaves and spring flowers, and in summer, it shows the supreme beauty of fully dressed trees. After the brilliant and glorious foliage of autumn, the mountain turns into a magical winter wonderland. Seoraksan is the third highest mountain in Korea, after Hallasan and Jirisan. It has over 700 peaks including the main 1,708 meter-high Daecheongbong.

A few recommended tourist attractions for those who visit Sokcho include Dongmyeonghang Port, Younggeumjeong Pavilion, and the Lighthouse Observatory. You can enjoy a wonderful view if you visit the Lighthouse Observatory.

It is also a good idea to check out Sokcho Tourist & Fish Market, take a ride on the Gaetbae boat, and visit Abai Village as well.

### Gyeongsang-do

**Seokguram Grotto:** This cave temple designated as Korea's National Treasure No.24 is located at the midslope of Tohamsan Mountain in Gyeongju. The temple was built by Kim Dae-seong when Silla was under the rule of King Gyeongdeok. The delightfully simple design combined with superbly carved statues makes it one of the world's greatest works of Buddhist art. The temple, along with Bulguksa Temple, was added to the UNESCO World Heritage Sites list in 1995.



**Bulguksa Temple:** Located on the foot of Tohamsan Mountain in Jinhyeon-dong of Gyeongju, Gyeongsangbuk-do, Bulguksa Temple is designated as Historic Site No. 1. It is one of the two greatest works of Korean Buddhist art along with Seokguram Grotto and has a number of treasures such as the Bulguksa Three-story Stone Pagoda, Dabotap Pagoda, and Baegungyo and Yeonhwagyo Bridges. Both temples were designated as UNESCO World Heritage Sites in 1995, and the temple is the headquarters of the 11th Parish of Jogye Order in Korean Buddhism.



**Gyeongju Historic District:** The Gyeongju Historic District has preserved priceless historical and cultural remains of Buddhism and the royal capital of Silla (57 BCE-935) for a millennium. The Gyeongju Historic District, which was added to the World Heritage Sites list in December 2000, is divided into five zones; Namsan Zone, which is a treasury of Korean Buddhist art; Wolseong Zone containing the palace site of a millennium kingdom; Daeneungwon Zone, the burial site of Silla royals; Hwangnyongsa Zone storing the essence of Silla Buddhism; and Sanseong Zone displaying the features of military facilities built to defend the royal capital of Silla. A total of 52 cultural treasures protected by the law are in the District.

**Historic Villages of Korea Hahoe and Yangdong:** Hahoe Village in Andong is a "single-clan village" established by the Ryu clan of Pungsan in the 1600s which still maintains the original layout with old houses and institutions including a private Neo-Confucian Academy (Seowon). The village contains some superb examples of traditional Korean architecture reflecting the life of the literati class of mid Joseon such as Yangjindang Hall, Chunghyodang Hall, Bukchondaek House, and Byeongsan Seowon which is largely regarded as a masterpiece of Joseon-era academy buildings.



Yangdong Village is located at a site 16km northeast from Gyeongju, the ancient capital of Silla, following Hyeongsangang River, and is designated as Important Folk Material No. 1890. The village, set up on an auspicious place in terms of Pungsu (or Feng Shui) principles, maintains the original layout with houses built when the village was relishing prosperity, and has a number of buildings designated by the Korean government as Treasures and Important Folk Materials.

**Depositories for the Tripitaka Koreana Woodblocks:** Carved onto 81,258 woodblocks by Goryeo artisans in the 13th century, the Tripitaka Koreana woodblocks stored in a depository in Haensa Temple are known to contain the world's most perfect edition of Buddhist scriptures. The temple depository built in the 15th century is also regarded as a priceless treasure as it provides a near-perfect condition for preservation of the woodblocks.

## Chungcheong-do

**Danyang:** Danyang is often dubbed the "Korean mecca" of air sports. It boasts some of Korea's most popular facilities and venues for aerial activities, paragliding and hanggliding in particular, attracting air sports enthusiasts from all over Korea.



**Songnisan National Park:** Standing 1,058 meters high, Songnisan National Park lies in the Sobaek Mountains that stretch southwest from the Taebaek Mountains. Famed as one of the eight most beautiful sceneries in Korea, the park is covered with thick forests and oddly shaped granite peaks. It is also home to the 1000-year-old Beomjusa Temple. The park is famous for the wild cherry blossoms in spring, green pine trees in summer, red foliage in autumn, and snowy scenes in winter.



**Buyeo Jeongnimsa Site:** This is a temple site from the late Baekje period, found in Dongnam-ri, Buyeo-eup, Buyeo-gun, South Ch ungcheong Province. It is designated as Historic Site No. 301. The rectangular layout of the temple buildings was a typical example of one pagoda each in south and north from the Baekje period.

The temple site has a five-story stone pagoda from the Baekje period and a seated stone statue of Buddha from the Goryeo period.



## Jeju-do

### Wudo Island

Wudo is an island floating off the southern sea of Seongsan Ilchulbong Peak. It was created by volcanic activity and is called 'little Jeju Island' as it has the most attractions that are unique to Jeju Island among the eight manned islands that make up Jeju. Major attractions include the white coral beach, the Geommeolle beach, Gyeongan cave, Seoemeori Oreum (volcanic cone) and Wudo peak.



### SeongsanIlchulbong Peak

SeongsanIlchulbong Peak is one of the best known attractions of Jeju formed by hydrovolcanic eruptions. Seongsan means a hill in the shape of a castle, and Ilchulbong, meaning sunrise peak, got its name from the beautiful view of the sunrise from the top of the hill. The peak stands 182m high and is located on the edge of Seongsan peninsular at the east side of Jeju island. Among the many hills formed through volcanic eruption, this one is special because it was formed through underwater eruption in the sea. It was originally an island, but was gradually connected to the mainland island of Jeju as sand and gravel piled up from the direction of Shinyang beach. The peak may be a little steep, but it is not that high and there are resting areas along the way to the top, so even children can reach the top of the peak without much difficulty.



### Jeju folk village

Jeju folk village houses the restorations of Jeju's traditional villages in the 19th century including the mountain village, hill-country village, fishing village and shamanic shrines, the former central government office and houses for exiles from the mainland.

In particular, there are more than 100 authentic traditional houses that are on display, and in

some houses, traditional folk artists are residing and working on their art work. The Jeju folk village is vast and wide so it may take all day to look around every corner and to experience its programs.

### Jeju Olle Trail

The Jeju Olle trail is a series of walking trails with scenic views. The first route was developed in 2007 and there are currently more than 20 routes available. Each route is less than 15km long and it takes an average of five to six hours to complete one trail. Most of the routes stretch along the coastal paths of Jeju and connect various alleyways, mountain roads, plains, beaches and oreums (small volcanic cones), and some routes stretch along the small islands near the main island of Jeju.



### DMZ and JSA

The DMZ, short for Demilitarized Zone, is a 2km wide area that acts as a buffer between South and North Korea. The DMZ was created in the Armistice Agreement in 1953 (Korea remains the world's only divided nation). Many tour programs are currently available to tourists. The JSA, or Joint Security Area, is in the military demarcation line within the DMZ. The Panmunjeom JSA was formerly a place for guarding the armistice agreement, but now it is used as a meeting place for the two Koreas. Many tour programs to the DMZ and JSA are operated. Check the link below for more information.

**Website :** <http://www.go2korea.co.kr/en/Default.aspx>





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# KOTRA

## Organization & Activities



### About KOTRA

KOTRA was established in 1962 to bolster the Korean economy through trade. It has since traveled alongside Korea on its journey of economic growth. In the 1960s and 70s, KOTRA developed overseas markets and in doing so served as a driving force in increasing Korea's exports. In the 1980s, KOTRA led efforts to achieve economic diplomacy in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. During the Asian financial crisis in the late 1990s, as a national investment promotion agency, KOTRA attracted foreign investment to Korea and helped steer the nation out of the economic downturn.

KOTRA currently has 126 overseas offices in 85 countries across 10 regions around the world through which it faithfully serves as an overseas business infrastructure for Korean and foreign-invested companies. KOTRA supports Korean companies' entry into not only the overseas knowledge service industry, IT convergence industry and green industry markets but also into overseas procurement, franchise, and plant markets. In addition, KOTRA supports Korean SMEs' efforts to forge alliances with major overseas companies in their drive to go global. KOTRA also assists SMEs in resolving pending problems such as the attraction of overseas human resources, and arranges domestic job seekers' employment by overseas businesses.



### Major businesses and functions of KOTRA

- **Export support**

On-site consulting: Our staff members visit companies and exhibitions and provide one on one consulting on trade affairs, support programs, and utilization of FTAs

Overseas branch program: KOTRA's overseas offices around the world act as the overseas branches of SMEs and companies of middle standing, supporting the companies with market research, buyer finding, etc.

- Nurturing of companies of medium standing: To nurture companies of medium standing into global companies, KOTRA supports the companies' export and entry into global markets, and also helps expand to overseas markets.

- **Global marketing**

- Overseas market bigbot: A big data consulting service that analyzes a company's growth stage and products to provide information on export capacity and overseas markets and recommend promising overseas markets.
- buyKOREA: A global B2B e-marketplace that connects international buyers and Korean suppliers. It supports the promotion of Korean products, enables users to register and search overseas buyer's purchase information, and supports on-line payment.
- Exhibitions: KOTRA operates booths at prestigious exhibitions around the world to support Korean companies' participation in overseas exhibitions (around 120 exhibitions a year) and to attract outstanding overseas buyers to Korean exhibitions.

- **Overseas market information**

- Overseas market survey: Discovering overseas partner companies in overseas markets, provision of market trend information, survey on raw materials suppliers, etc.
- KOTRA overseas market news: In-depth market information with the analysis of experts, countries at a glance, market entry information, etc.

- **Global employment support**

- Discovery of overseas recruiting demand through KOTRA's overseas offices
- Job fair for foreign-invested companies: Korea's biggest job fair for foreign-invested companies. Consulting for jobseekers, in-depth interviews, corporate information sessions, etc. are held.

### **Economic and trade cooperation**

- Support for winning bids for overseas infrastructure project: The managers of overseas public infrastructure projects such as construction, transport infrastructure, energy plants, etc. are invited to help Korean companies win bids for projects.
- Support for overseas government procurement market entry: Customized support for companies that wish to enter the overseas government procurement market.
- G2G trade support: KOTRA acts as a medium in government-to-government export contracts, from the negotiation stage to contract signing and implementation.



## About invest KOREA

Invest KOREA (IK), Korea's national investment promotion agency, was established within KOTRA with the sole purpose of supporting the entry and successful establishment of foreign business into Korea. With assistance extending to comprehensive post-establishment services, IK enables foreign corporations to maximize the benefits of the Korean investment environment to ensure their rapid settlement in Korea.



## Invest KOREA's Services

### Information and consulting service

Invest KOREA provides information and consulting services free of charge, including the provision of data for feasibility studies and professional advice in the areas of investment procedures, legal issues, tax, and accounting. The agency also helps foreign corporate personnel in matters of day-to-day life such as healthcare, education and accommodation.

### Attracting foreign investment

Invest KOREA provides support throughout each stage of the investment project, from international promotion of Korea's image and identification of target companies to delivery of customized assistance ranging from research and planning to implementation. The agency also provides substantive feedback from investors to policymakers in order to constantly improve the investment environment.

### Investment aftercare (Foreign Investment Ombudsman)

- **Foreign Investment Ombudsman Office:** The Foreign Investment Ombudsman Office acts as an intermediary to help foreign invested companies overcome the obstacles they have encountered in the course of doing business. The services provided by the office include obtaining permissions, removing embargoes, and helping investors qualify for benefits.
- **Investment Aftercare Division:** In all cases where the Ombudsman is asked to intervene, a "Home Doctor" - a specialist in foreign investment - is designated to provide one-on-one service to the client until the difficulty in question is resolved. Home Doctors are experts in different fields of foreign investment who act as liaisons, submitting proposals to the government's highest foreign investment-related organization, the Foreign Investment

Committee. They report to the Committee on grievances that require changes to foreign investment policy, requesting intervention on the part of relevant government bodies and ministries, and informing them of notable aspects of individual cases for their review. For details, go to <http://www.i-ombudsman.or.kr>.

### Invest KOREA Plaza (IKP)

Invest KOREA Plaza, which comprises two underground levels and nine aboveground stories, is an exclusive foreign investor incubating facility equipped with cutting-edge intelligent building systems.

IKP provides exclusive offices for given periods to help new foreign investors establish initial settlement grounds, and to help existing foreign investors - who plan to increase their investment - activate their investment. IKP tenants can receive services ranging from investment feasibility surveys, investment consultations and other forms of support in the initial stage of investment - as provided by Invest KOREA and government agencies - to comprehensive services such as information on Korea's business culture and daily lifestyles. For further details, please go to [www.ikp.or.kr](http://www.ikp.or.kr).

### Investment Consulting Center (ICC)

The ICC is a one-stop consulting center that is designed to help investors and foreign invested firms with the review and execution of investments, as well as to assist their employees with settling in Korea. The center is under KOTRA's Foreign Investor Support Office.

- **Investment Consulting:** The ICC is staffed with some 20 consultants including private sector experts and officials dispatched from related government ministries. They provide systematic, professional consulting services to help foreign investors successfully undergo all the necessary investment procedures in Korea. Foreign investors and their families may receive consulting services free of charge via phone, fax or e-mail or by visiting in person.

(<http://www.investkorea.org/ikwork/iko/eng/cont/contents.jsp?code=1020603> -> FAQ)

## Areas of consulting

<b>Consulting on investment</b>	Consulting on foreign investment attraction-related laws, systems, procedures, taxation, tax affairs location, and labor affairs
<b>Notification and registration of investment</b>	Consulting on notification and registration procedures for investment, importing of capital goods, and application for confirmation of the specification of imported goods
<b>Administrative support for investment</b>	Consulting on issuance of foreign-invested company registration certificate issuance, visa consulting, issuance of investment visa, exchange and issuance of foreign driver's license to a Korean one
<b>Consulting on settlement</b>	Provision of information on staying and living in Korea, and accompaniment service

- **Tel:** 82-2-3497-1056 (English)/ 82-2-3497-1055 (Japanese)
- **Serviced languages:** English, Japanese and Korean
- **Business hours:** Monday - Friday, 09:00-18:00 (lunch time: 12:00-13:00)

## KOTRA's Trade Doctor

KOTRA's Trade Doctor (trade, investment consulting center) provides customized consultation on trade and inbound and outbound foreign investment. Consultation can be received online or through walk-in, or at the client's location.

- **Walk-in consultation (Phone reservation required)**
  - **Export** 82-2-3460-7219
  - **Overseas investment** 82-1600-7119(#3)
  - **Attraction of foreign investment** 82-2-3497-1970



## Directions/ Map



### Public transport

#### • When using the Yanjae Citizens' Forest Station (Shinbundang line)

- Walk 10 minutes towards Seongnam direction from exit no.3
- Transfer to a bus bound for Bundang or Seongnam direction from exit no. 4: Buses no. 400, 405, 4432, 440, 452, 470, 471, 33, 500-5

#### • When using the Yangjae Station (line no.3, Shinbundang line)

- Exit no. 11 of line no.3 or exit no.9 of Shinbundang line
- Transfer to a bus bound for Bundang, Seongnam direction: 400, 405, 4432 (roadside bus lane)/ 440, 452, 470, 471, 33, 500-5 (exclusive median bus lane)

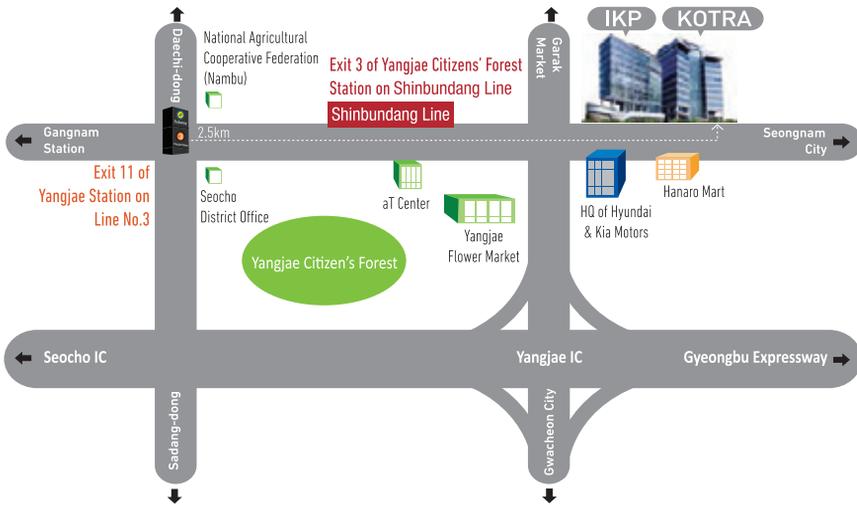
※ When using buses 400, 405 and 421, get off at the KoRoad Seoul & KOTRA stop. When using other buses, get off at the Hanaro Mart & KOTRA stop and cross the road in front of Hyundai-KIA building,

- **By car:** From Gangnam Station or Yangjae Station, drive towards Bundang and Seongnam (Do not pass through the underground roadway) at the Yeomgok Intersection, take a left turn, pass through the crosswalk and drive down the side road.

#### • From Incheon Airport and Seoul Station

- At Incheon Airport 1F bus stop, take limousine bus no. 6009 (Incheon Airport - Garak Market) → Get off at Gangnam Station, and transfer to bus no. 140, 407, 408, 440, 462, or 470 → Get off at the Hanaro Mart or KOTRA bus stop.

- At Seoul Station, take subway line no. 4 (for Dangogogae), and get off at Chungmuro Station
- Transfer to subway line no. 3 (for Suseo) → Get off at Yangjae Station
- Leave via Exit 11, 10 or 9, and at the central roadway bus stop, transfer to a blue bus (no. 140, 407, 408, 440, 462, or 470) → Get off at the Hanaro Mart or KOTRA bus stop.



## Address

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# Airport

## Organization & Activities



### Incheon international airport

Incheon international airport is Korea's largest airport opened in March 2001 on land measuring 22,397,000m<sup>2</sup>. About 80% of Korea's international flights land and depart through the airport. As of 2018, the airport connects 185 cities in 55 countries through 84 airlines.

Incheon international airport boasts state-of-the-art facilities and many attractions and has maintained its position as the world's best airport for 12 years in a row since 2005. The airport's user satisfaction is very high with its various convenience facilities for passengers and transit passengers, events, exhibitions and activities.



## Major convenience facilities

### Telecommunication/Internet

#### Internet zone (free internet kiosk)

**Open hours:** 00:00-24:00

**Location:** Near gate no. 25/29 in the 4th floor duty-free zone of Terminal 1, near gate no. 231/268 in the 4th duty-free zone of Terminal 2

### Rest/Work-out

#### Nap zone

**Open hours:** 00:00-24:00

**Location:** Near gate no. 25/29 in the 4<sup>th</sup> floor duty-free zone of Terminal 1, near gate no. 231/268 in the 4th duty-free zone of Terminal 2

#### Relaxation zone

**Open hours:** 00:00-24:00

**Location:** Near gate no. 25/29 in the 4th floor duty-free zone of Terminal 1, near gate no. 231/268 in the 4th duty-free zone of Terminal 2

**Facilities:** Reclining chair, cell phone charger

#### Digital gym

**Open hours:** 06:00-22:00

**Location:** Near gate no. 231/268 in the 4th duty-free zone of Terminal 2

**Facilities:** Interactive electronic games

### Hospital

#### Airport medical center run by Inha University (Terminal 1)

**Open hours:** 08:30-17:30 (Saturdays: 09:00-15:00/ Closed on Sundays)

**Location:** East side of B1 of Terminal 1

**Departments:** Family medicine, dental medicine, emergency treatment

#### Airport medical center run by Inha University (Terminal 2)

**Open hours:** 08:30-18:00 (Weekends: 08:30-15:00)

**Location:** West side of B1 of Terminal 2

**Departments:** Family medicine, department of surgery, emergency treatment

## Other convenience facilities

### Shower room

**Open hours:** 00:00-24:00

**Location:** Near gate no. 25/29 in the 4th floor duty-free zone of Terminal 1, near gate no. 231/268 in the 4th duty-free zone of Terminal 2

**Note:** Free for transit passengers, KRW 3,000 for other passengers

### CGV multiplex theater

**Open hours:** 09:00-23:00

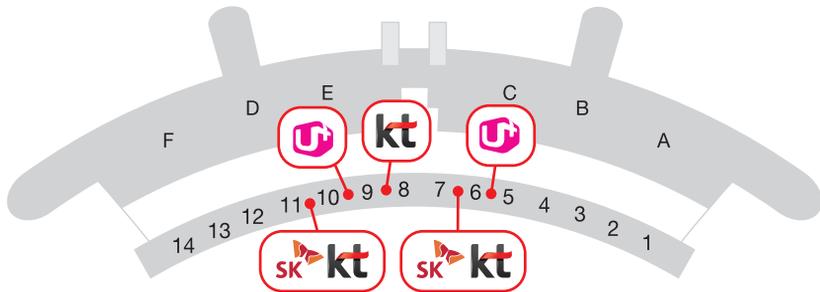
**Location:** Center of B1 in Terminal 1 Transportation Center

※ Log on to [www.airport.kr/ap/en/svc/getFacilityMain.do](http://www.airport.kr/ap/en/svc/getFacilityMain.do) for more information on Incheon airport's facilities

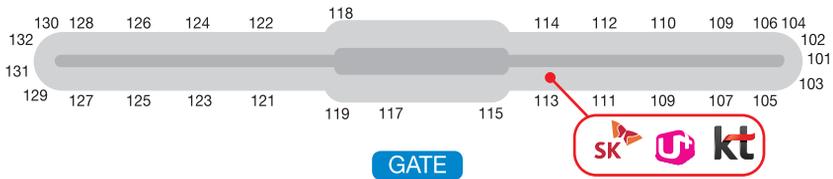
## Mobile Phone Rental/ Roaming from Incheon International Airport

LG U+	·Services: mobile handset rental, international roaming ·Opening hours: 06:00-22:00 ·Phone number: 82-2-3416-7010
KT	·Services: mobile phone rental, international roaming service ·Opening hours: 06:00-22:00 ·Phone number: 82-1588-0608 (From Korea) / 82-2-2190-0901 (From overseas, toll-free)
SKT	·Services: mobile phone rental, international roaming service ·Opening hours: 06:00-22:00 ·Phone number: 153-112 (From Korea) / 82-2-6343-9000 (From overseas, toll-free)

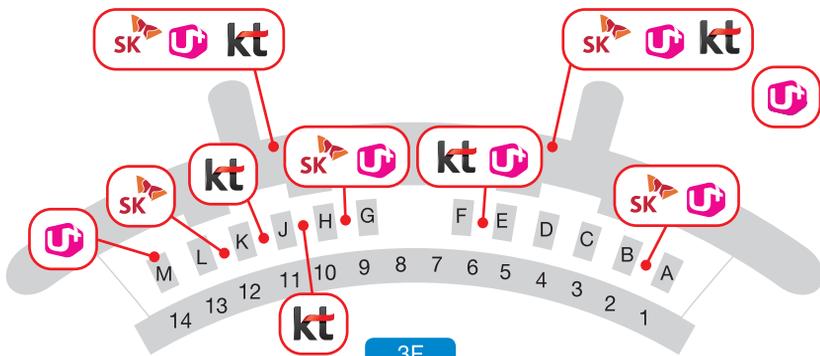




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## Gimpo International Airport

Established in 1942, Gimpo international airport stands on a 6.8 million m<sup>2</sup> wide site and operates domestic flights to Busan, Gwangju, Jeju, Yeosu, Jinju, Muan, Yangyang, Ulsan, Pohang, etc. The airport transports passengers and cargo, but with the opening of Incheon international airport, its international flight functions were weakened. Currently, the airport operates international flights to Tokyo, Osaka, Nagoya and Shanghai.

### Other convenience facilities

#### Convenience facilities in the domestic flight section

##### Unmanned ticket counter

In front of the check-in counter on the second floor of Gimpo airport's international flight section, there are many unmanned ticket counters, allowing tickets to be issued without having to stand in line at the counter at check-in.

##### Insurance company information counter

There is a counter offering insurance information for accidents and losses that may happen while traveling.

#### Convenience facilities in the international flight section

##### Bookstore

**Location:** 1F of domestic flight section

**Open hours:** 10:30-22:00

**Location:** 1F of domestic flight section, next to the airport bookstore

##### Gimpo post office & baggage keeping service

**Location:** F1 of the domestic flight section

**Open hours:** 09:00-18:00





## Halal food

Halal means what is permissible or lawful in traditional Islamic law, or Sharia. Halal food refers to foods and drinks that are permissible to Muslims. The Halal food market is large, accounting for around 16% of the global food market.

There are halal food markets in Korea – halal foods and meats can be purchased in halal restaurants and meat shops around Seoul's Itaewon subway station.

Various halal restaurants such as Halal Guys, EID and Kervan are located around Itaewon station, other areas in Seoul and also in local cities outside of Seoul.

For a list of halal restaurants in Korea, refer to the following link(information on over 120 halal restaurants).

**Website :** <http://www.hrwkorea.or.kr>





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	Yangon	(95-1) 255453~6	(95-1) 255457	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/yangon">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/yangon</a>
	Dhaka	(880-2) 984-4218/	(880-2) 984-3068	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/dhaka">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/dhaka</a>
	Hochiminh city	(84-8) 3822-3944/3950	(84-8) 3822-3941	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/hochiminh">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/hochiminh</a>
	Hanoi	(84-4) 3946-0511~8	(84-4) 3946-0519/20	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/hanoi">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/hanoi</a>
	Phnom penh	(855-23) 999-099	(855-23)211-598	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/phnompenh">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/phnompenh</a>
	Colombo	(94-11) 2597494	(94-11) 2501818	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/colombo">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/colombo</a>
	Kuala lumpur	(60-3) 2117-7100	(60-3) 2142-2107	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/kualalumpur">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/kualalumpur</a>
	New delhi	(91-124) 4628-500	(91-124) 4628-501	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/newdelhi">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/newdelhi</a>
	Chennai	(91-44) 2499-7283~7	(91-44) 2499-4728	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/chennai">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/chennai</a>
	Mumbai	(91-22) 4925-5400	(91-22) 4925-5454	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/mumbai">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/mumbai</a>
	Jakarta	(62-21) 574-1522	(62-21) 572-2187	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/jakarta">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/jakarta</a>
	Bangkok	(66-2) 663-6900~8	(66-2) 261-1232~3	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/bangkok">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/bangkok</a>
	Karachi	(92-21) 3530-3771~3774	(92-21) 3530-3778	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/karachi">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/karachi</a>
	Manila	(63-2) 893-1183/3244	(63-2) 817-3369	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/manila">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/manila</a>
	Auckland	(64-9) 373-5792	(64-9) 373-2952	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/auckland">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/auckland</a>
	Sydney	(61-2) 9264-5199	(61-2) 9264-5299	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/sydney">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/sydney</a>
	Melbourne	(61-3) 9860-0500	(61-3) 9860-0599	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/melbourne">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/melbourne</a>
Vientiane	(856-21) 455-080	(856-21) 455-081	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/vientiane">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/vientiane</a>	
Surabaya	(62-31) 534-7332	(62-31) 534-7320	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/surabaya">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/surabaya</a>	
Japan	Tokyo	(81-3) 3214-6951	(81-3) 3214-6950	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/tokyo">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/tokyo</a>
	Osaka	(81-6) 6262-3831	(81-6) 6262-4607	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/osaka">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/osaka</a>
	Fukuoka	(81-92) 473-2005	(81-92) 473-2007	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/fukuoka">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/fukuoka</a>
	Nagoya	(81-52) 561-3936	(81-52)561-3945	<a href="http://www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/nagoya">www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/nagoya</a>

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	Beijing	(86-10) 6410-6162	(86-10) 6505-2310	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/beijing
	Dalian	(86-411) 8253-0051~3	(86-411) 8253-0050	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/dalian
	Guangzhou	(86-20) 2208-1600	(86-20) 2208-1636	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/guangzhou
	Chengdu	(86-28) 8672-3501~6	(86-28) 8672-3507	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/chengdu
	Qingdao	(86-532) 8388-7931	(86-532) 8388-7935	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/qingdao
	Xian	(86-29) 8883-1060	(86-29) 8883-1056	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/xian
	Wuhan	(86-27) 8555-0118	(86-27) 8555-0120	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/wuhan
	Changsha	(86-731) 8564-0080	(86-731) 8564-0070	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/changsha
	Hong Kong	(852) 2545-9500	(852) 2815-0487	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/hongkong
	Taipei	(886-2) 2725-2324	(886-2) 2757-7240	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/taipei
	Chongqing	(86-23) 6039-1005	(86-23) 6039-1009	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/chongqing
	Hangzhou	(86-571) 8110-3099	(86-571) 8110-3098	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/hangzhou
	Zhengzhou	(86-371) 8616-3927~200	(86-371) 8616-3930	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/zhengzhou
	Xiamen	(86-592) 210-3190~2	(86-592) 210-3193	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/xiamen
	Shenyang	(86-24) 3137-0770	(86-24) 3137-0773	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/shenyang
	Shenzhen	(86-755) 8335-9991	(86-755) 8335-9880	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/shenzhen
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Nanjing		(86-25) 8328-8991	(86-25) 8328-8995	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/nanjing
New York		(1-212) 826-0900	(1-212) 888-4930	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/newyork
Los Angeles		(1-323) 954-9500	(1-323) 954-1707	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/losangeles
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	Buenos Aires	(54-11) 4312-0033	(54-11) 4312-7755	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/buenosaires
	Santiago	(56-2) 3221-0710	-	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/santiago
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	Madrid	(34-91) 556-6241	(34-91) 556-6868	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/madrid
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	Kiev	(380-44) 495-2951	(380-44) 495-2951	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/kyiv
	Almaty	(7-727) 245-94-93/ 070-7735-8988	(7-727) 274-18-28	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/almaty
	Tashkent	(998-71) 140-0215/6	(998-71)140-0217	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/tashkent
	Saint Petersburg	(7-812) 241-0033	-	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/ saintpetersburg
	Ulan Bator	(976) 7711-0140	(976) 7711-0142	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/ulaanbaatar
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	Tripoli	(218-91) 321-8274	-	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/tripoli
	Istanbul	(90-212) 325-3646	(90-212) 325-3642	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/istanbul
	Riyadh	(966-11) 273-4496	(966-11) 273-4750	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/riyadh
	Casablanca	(212-522) 98-96-27/ 98-46-36	(212-522) 99-45-13	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/casablanca
	Alger	(213-21) 60-44-51/ 69-41-94/ 69-42-03	(213-21) 69-42-09	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/alger
	Muscat	(968) 2411-7011~3	(968) 2411-7014	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/muscat
	Amman	(962-6) 5831-045	(962-6) 5831-015	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/amman
	Baghdad	(964-772) 224-4629	-	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/baghdad
	Tehran	(98-21) 2620-6711	(98-21) 2620-6698	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/tehran
	Tel aviv	(972-3) 639-6488	(972-3) 639-6489	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/telaviv
	Cairo	(20-2) 2754-5319/5329	(20-2) 2754-7429	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/cairo
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	Doha	(974) 4016-2603	(974) 4016-2602	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/doha
	Nairobi	(254-20) 2228-928/ 2220-458	(254-20) 315-706	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/nairobi
	Lagos	(234-1) 792-7212	-	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/lagos
	Johannesburg	(27-11) 784-2940	(27-11) 784-2983	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/johannesburg

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	Addis ababa	(251-113) 204305	(251-113) 204396	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/addisababa
	Khartoum	(249-1) 8349-8814 8349-8845	(249-1) 8349-8860	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/khartoum
	Accra	(233-302) 764-367	(233-302) 762-918	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/accra
	Kinshasa	(243-81) 362-6920	-	www.kotra.or.kr/KBC/kinshasa

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Angola	82-2-792-8463	82-2-792-8467	www.angolaembassy.or.kr
Argentina	82-2-796-8144	82-2-792-5820	-
Australia	82-2-2003-0100	82-2-2003-0196	www.southkorea.embassy.gov.au/seoul/home.html
Austria	82-2-732-9071/2	82-2-732-9486	www.bmeia.gv.at/kr/botschaft/seoul.html
Azerbaijan	82-2-797-17-65/66	82-2-797-1767	www.seoul.mfa.gov.az/
Bangladesh	82-2-796-4056/7	82-2-790-5313	-
Belarus	82-2-2237-8171/8173	82-2-2237-8174	www.belarus.or.kr
Belgium	82-2-749-0381	82-2-797-1688	republicofkorea.diplomatie.belgium.be/ ko
Bolivia	82-2-318-1767/2726	82-2-3789-2757	-
Brazil	82-2-738-4970	82-2-738-4974	seul.itamaraty.gov.br
Brunei	82-2-790-1078/9	82-2-790-1084	-
Bulgaria	82-2-794-8625/6	82-2-794-8627	-
Cambodia	82-2-3785-1041/1046	82-2-3785-1040	-
Canada	82-2-3783-6000	82-2-3783-6239	www.canadainternational.gc.ca/koreacoree
Chile	82-2-779-2610	82-2-779-2615	www.coreachile.org
China	82-2-738-1038	82-2-738-1077	www.chinaemb.or.kr/kor
Colombia	82-2-720-1369	82-2-725-6959	-
Congo	82-2-722-7958	82-2-722-7998	-
Costa Rica	82-2-707-9249/9254	82-2-707-9255	-
Cote d' Ivoire	82-2-3785-0561/2	82-2-3785-0564	cotedivoireembassy.or.kr

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Czech Republic	82-2-725-6765/6766 82-2-720-6453	82-2-734-6452	www.mzv.cz/seoul
Denmark	82-2-795-4187	82-2-796-0986	sydkorea.um.dk
Dominican Republic	82-2-756-3513	82-2-756-3514	www.embadom.or.kr
Ecuador	82-2-739-2401/2	82-2-739-2355	coreadelsur.embajada.gob.ec
Egypt	82-2-749-0787/9	82-2-795-2588	-
El Salvador	82-2-753-3432/3	82-2-753-3456	-
Ethiopia	82-2-790-9766	82-2-790-0156	-
Fiji	82-2-792-6396	82-2-792-6397	-
Finland	82-2-370-103-00	82-2-723-4969	www.finland.or.kr
France	82-2-3149-4300	82-2-363-4310	www.ambafrance-kr.org
Gabon	82-2-793-9575/6	82-2-793-9574	-
Georgia	82-2-792-7118/7171	82-2-792-3118	-
Germany	82-2-748-4114	82-2-748-4161	www.seoul.diplo.de
Ghana	82-2-3785-1427 82-2-749-8982~3	82-2-3785-1428	www.ghanaembassy.or.kr
Greece	82-2-729-1400/1	82-2-729-1402	-
Guatemala	82-2-771-7582/3	82-2-771-7584	-
Honduras	82-2-738-8482	82-2-738-8403	www.hondurasembassy-seoulkorea.com
Hungary	82-2-792-2105	82-2-792-2109	www.mfa.gov.hu/kulkepviselet/KR/en/mainpage.htm
India	82-2-798-4257	82-2-797-6338	www.indembassy.or.kr
Indonesia	82-2-783-5675~7 783-5371~2	82-2-780-4280	www.indonesiaseoul.org/indexkorea.php
Iran	82-2-793-7751~3	82-2-792-7052	seoul.mfa.ir
Iraq	82-2-790-4282-2/3	82-2-790-4206	-
Ireland	82-2-721-7200	82-2-774-6458	www.dfa.ie/irish-embassy/republic-ofkorea/embassies.gov.il/seoul
Israel	82-2-3210-8500	82-2-3210-8555	embassies.gov.il/seoul
Italy	82-2-750-0200/0201	82-2-797-5560	www.ambseoul.esteri.it/ambasciata_seoul
Japan	82-2-2170-5200	82-2-734-4528	www.kr.emb-japan.go.jp/
Jordan	82-2-318-2897	82-2-318-3644	www.jordankorea.gov.jo
Kazakhstan	82-2-391-8906	82-2-395-9766	www.kazembassy.org
Kenya	82-2-3785-2903/4	82-2-3785-2905	www.kenya-embassy.or.kr

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Kuwait	82-2-749-3688	82-2-749-3604	-
Kyrgyz Republic	82-2-379-0951	82-2-379-0953	-
Laos	82-2-796-1713	82-2-796-1771	-
Lebanon	82-2-794-6482	82-2-794-6485	-
Libya	82-2-797-6001/2	82-2-797-6007	-
Malaysia	82-2-795-9203	82-2-794-5480	www.malaysia.or.kr
Mexico	82-2-798-1694/5	82-2-790-0939	embamex2.sre.gob.mx/corea
Mongolia	82-2-2266-8228/9229	82-2-2266-8227	www.mongolembassy.com
Morocco	82-2-793-6249	82-2-792-8178	-
Myanmar	82-2-790-3814/6	82-2-790-3817	-
Nepal	82-2-3789-9770/1	82-2-736-8848	www.nepembseoul.gov.np
Netherlands	82-2-311-8600	82-2-311-8650	southkorea.nlembassy.org
New Zealand	82-2-3701-7700	82-2-3701-7701	www.nzembassy.com/korea
Nigeria	82-2-797-2370/3280	82-2-796-1848	www.nigerianembassy.or.kr
Norway	82-2-727-7100	82-2-727-7199	www.norway.or.kr
Oman	82-2-790-2431	82-2-790-2430	-
Pakistan	82-2-796-8252/0313	82-2-796-0316	www.pkembassy.or.kr/kor/
Panama	82-2-734-8610//1	82-2-734-8613	-
Papua New Guinea	82-2-2198-5771	82-2-2198-5779	www.papuanewguineaembassy.kr
Paraguay	82-2-792-8335/1173	82-2-792-8334	www.embaparcorea.org/korea
Peru	82-2-757-1735~7	82-2-757-1738	-
Philippines	82-2-796-7387	82-2-796-0827	www.philembassy-seoul.com
Poland	82-2-723-9681	82-2-723-9680	www.seul.msiz.gov.pl
Portugal	82-2-3675-2251~3	82-2-3675-2250	www.seul.msiz.gov.pl
Qatar	82-2-798-2444/6	82-2-790-1027	-
Republic of South Africa	82-2-2077-5900	82-2-792-4856	www.southafrica-embassy.or.kr
Romania	82-2-797-4924	82-2-794-3114	-
Russian Federation	82-2-752-0630	82-2-752-1407	www.russian-embassy.org
Rwanda	82-2-798-1052	82-2-798-1054	rwanda-embassy.or.kr
Saudi Arabia	82-2-739-0631/4	82-2-739-0041	-

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Senegal	82-2-745-5554	82-2-745-5524	-
Serbia	82-2-797-5109/ 798-5109	82-2-790-6109	www.seoul.mfa.gov.rs/
Singapore	82-2-774-2464~7	82-2-773-2465	www.mfa.gov.sg/seoul/
Slovakia	82-2-794-3981	82-2-794-3982	-
Spain	82-2-794-3581/2	82-2-796-8207	www.exteriores.gob.es/Embajadas/ SEUL/ ko/Paginas/inicio.aspx
Sri Lanka	82-2-735-2966/7 82-2-794-2968	82-2-737-9577	www.slembassykorea.org/
Sudan	82-2-793-8692	82-2-793-8693	www.sudanembassy.co.kr
Sweden	82-2-3703-3700	82-2-37033701~2	www.swedenabroad.com/en-GB/ Embassies/Seoul
Switzerland	82-2-739-9511	82-2-737-9392	www.eda.admin.ch/seoul.html
Taipei	82-2-399-2780	-	www.roc-taiwan.org/KR
Thailand	82-2-790-2955 82-2-795-095/3098/3253	82-2-798-3448	www.thaiembassy.org/seoul
Timor Leste	82-2-797-6151	82-2-797-6152	-
Tunisia	82-2-790-4334/5	82-2-790-4333	-
Turkey	82-2-3780-1600	82-2-797-8546	www.seul.be.mfa.gov.tr
UAE	82-2-790-3235	82-2-790-3238	uae-embassy.ae/Embassies/kr
Ukraine	82-2-790-5696	82-2-790-5697	korea.mfa.gov.ua/en
United Kingdom	82-2-3210-5500	82-2-725-1738	www.gov.uk/government/world/ southkorea
Uruguay	82-2-6245-3179	82-2-6245-3181	www.embrou.or.kr
USA	82-2-397-4114	82-2-738-8845	kr.usembassy.gov
Uzbekistan	82-2-574-6554 82-2-577-3660	82-2-578-0576 82- 2-577-3661	www.uzbekistan.or.kr
Venezuela	82-2-732-1546~7	82-2-732-1548	www.venezuelaemb.or.kr/index.asp
Vietnam	82-2-720-5124/ 725-2487	82-2-739-2064 720-4684	www.vietnamembassy-seoul.org

## Government Bodies and Semi-Governmental Organizations

Category	Name	Telephone	Homepage
Government Bodies	Ministry of Strategy and Finance	82-44-215-2114	www.mosf.go.kr
	Ministry of Science and ICT and Future Planning	82-1335	www.msip.go.kr
	Ministry of Education	82-2-6222-6060	www.moe.go.kr
	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	82-2-2100-2114	www.mofa.go.kr
	Ministry of Unification	82-2-1577-1365	www.unikorea.go.kr
	Ministry of Justice	82-2-2110-3000	www.moj.go.kr
	Ministry of National Defense	82-2-748-1111	www.mnd.go.kr
	Ministry of Government Administration and Home Affairs	82-2-2100-3399	www.moi.go.kr
	Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism	82-44-203-2000	www.mcst.go.kr
	Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs	82-2-6196-9100	www.mafra.go.kr
	Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy	82-1577-0900	www.motie.go.kr
	Ministry of Health and Welfare	82-129	www.mohw.go.kr
	Ministry of Environment	82-44-201-6568	www.me.go.kr
	Ministry of Employment and Labor	82-1350	www.moel.go.kr
	Ministry of Gender Equality and Family	82-2-2100-6000 82-1577-1366	www.mogef.go.kr
	Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport	82-44-1599-0001	www.molit.go.kr
Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries	82-44-220-5555	www.mof.go.kr	
Local Governments	Seoul Metropolitan Government	82-2-120	www.seoul.go.kr
	Incheon Metropolitan City	82-32-120	www.incheon.go.kr
	Busan Metropolitan City	82-51-120	www.busan.go.kr
	Gwangju Metropolitan City	82-62-120	www.gwangju.go.kr
	Daegu Metropolitan City	82-53-120	www.daegu.go.kr
	Daejeon Metropolitan City	82-42-120	www.daejeon.go.kr
	Ulsan Metropolitan City	82-52-20/1345/ 1577-2818	www.ulsan.go.kr
	Gyeonggi-do	82-31-120	www.gg.go.kr
	Gangwon-do	82-33-254-2011	www.provin.gangwon.kr

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Local Governments	Chungcheongbuk-do	82-43-220-2114	www.cb21.net
	Chungcheongnam-do	82-41-635-2000 82-41-120	www.chungnam.net
	Jeollabuk-do	82-63-280-2486	www.jeonbuk.go.kr
	Jeollanam-do	82-61-286-2063	www.jeonnam.go.kr
	Gyeongsangbuk-do	82-54-880-2114	www.gb.go.kr
	Gyeongsangnam-do	82-55-211-2114	www.gyeongnam.go.kr
	Jeju Special Self-governing Province	82-64-120	www.jeju.go.kr
	Sejong Metropolitan Autonomous City	82-44-120	www.sejong.go.kr
Semi-Governmental Organizations	The National Assembly Of The Republic Of Korea	82-2-788-3656//3664	www.assembly.go.kr
	Cheongwadae, Office of the President	82-2-730-5800	www.president.go.kr
	Korea Agro-Fisheries&Food Trade Cor.	82-61-931-114	www.at.or.kr
	Korea Land & Housing Corporation	82-55-922-5114	world.lh.or.kr
	Korea Tourism Organization	82-33-738-3000	kto.visitkorea.or.kr
	Korea National Oil Corporation	82-52-216-2114	www.knoc.co.kr
	Korea Water Resources Corporation	82-42-629-2634 82-1577-0600	www.kwater.or.kr
	Korea Electric Power Corporation	82-61-345-3114	home.kepco.co.kr/kepco
	Korea Financial Telecommunications and Clearings Institute	82-1577-5500	www.kftc.or.kr
	The Korea Commercial Arbitration Board	82-2-551-2000~2019	www.kcab.or.kr
	Seoul Business Agency	82-1577-7119	www.sba.seoul.kr
	Korea Trade Insurance Corporation	82-2-1588-3554	www.ksure.or.kr
	Korea Exim Bank	82-2-3779-6114	www.koreaexim.go.kr
	Korea Accreditation Board	82-43-927-1330	www.kab.or.kr
	National Intelligence Service	82-111	www.nis.go.kr
	Financial Services Commission	82-2-2100-2568	www.fsc.go.kr
	Fair Trade Commission	82-44-200-4326	www.ftc.go.kr
	Korean National Police Agency	82-182	www.police.go.kr
	National Tax Service	82-1588-0560	www.nts.go.kr
	Korea Customs Service	82-125	www.customs.go.kr
	Small and Medium Business Administration	82-42-481-6894	www.smba.go.kr

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Semi-Governmental Organizations	Statistics Korea	82-2-2012-9114	kostat.go.kr
	Korean Intellectual Property Office	82-42-481-5073	www.kipo.go.kr

## Chambers of Commerce & Foreign Investment Related Bodies

Category	Name	Telephone	Homepage
Chambers of Commerce	American Chamber of Commerce in Korea	82-2-6201-2200	www.amchamkorea.org
	British Chamber of Commerce in Korea	82-2-6365-2300	www.bcck.or.kr
	Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Korea	82-2-554-0245~6	www.canchamkorea.org
	Italian Chamber of Commerce in Korea	82-2-402-4379	www.itcck.org/english
	Seoul Japan Club	82-2-739-6962~3	www.sjchp.co.kr
	EU Chamber of Commerce in Korea	82-2-6261-2700	www.eckc.eu
	French Chamber of Commerce in Korea	82-2-2268-9505	www.fkcci.com
	Korean German Chamber of Commerce & industry	82-2-3780-4600	korea.ahk.de
Foreign Investment Related Bodies	Australian Chamber of Commerce in Korea	82-2-766-9590	www.austchamkorea.org
	Invest KOREA	82-1600-7119	www.investkorea.org
	Office of the Foreign Investment Ombudsman	82-2-3497-1827	www.i-ombudsman.or.kr
	Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy	82-1577-0900	www.motie.go.kr
	Ministry of Strategy and Finance	82-44-215-2114	www.mosf.go.kr
	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	82-2-2100-2114	www.mofa.go.kr
	Gyeonggi Province	82-31-120	invest.gg.go.kr
	Gyeonggi Association of Foreign-invest Companies	82-31-259-6521	www.gafic.or.kr
	Jeonnam Ordinance on Foreign Investment Promotion	82-61-286-5120	-
Jeonbuk Ordinance on Foreign Investment Promotion	82-63-280-2401	-	

## Delivery & Shipping: Home, International

Category	Name	Telephone	Homepage
Gas	Korea City Gas Association	82-2-554-7721	www.citygas.or.kr
Electricity	Korea Electric Power Corporation	82-61-345-3114	cyber.kepco.co.kr
Water	The Office of Waterworks Seoul Metropolitan Government	82-2-120	arisu.seoul.go.kr
	Waterworks Headquarters Incheon Metropolitan City	82-32-720-2114	www.waterworksh.incheon.kr
	Waterworks Headquarters Daegu Metropolitan City	82-53-121 82-53-670-2000	www.dgwater.go.kr
	Waterworks Headquarters Busan Metropolitan City	82-51-669-4211	water.busan.go.kr
	Waterworks Headquarters Gwangju Metropolitan City	82-62-121	water.gjcity.net/index.do?S=S14
Phone & Internet	Olleh KT	82-2-2190-1180	www.olleh.com
	SKTWORLD	82-80-2525-011	www.tworld.co.kr
	LG U+	82-1544-0010	www.uplus.co.kr
Cable TV & Satellite TV	KT Skylife	82-2-2003-3000	www.skylife.co.kr
Postal Service	Internet Post Office	82-2-2108-9895 82-1588-1300	www.epost.go.kr
Home Delivery	Korea Express	82-1588-1255	www.doortodoor.co.kr
	KGB LOGIS	82-1577-4577	www.kgbls.co.kr
	Dongbu Express	82-2-6363-2600	www.dongbuexpress.com
	ILYANG Logis	82-1588-0002	www.ilyanglogis.com
	Kyoungdong Express	82-80-873-2178	www.kdexp.com
	Hanjin Express	82-1588-0011	hanex.hanjin.co.kr
International Shipping	Hyundai Shipping	82-2-722-8000	www.cyhds.com
	Corea International Logistics	82-1588-5824	www.cilkorea.com
	Pumex	82-2-1588-6534	www.pumex.co.kr
	Chosun Shipping	82-2-2031-7000	www.aecx.co.kr
	Tongin Express	82-2-723-0123	www.tonginpack.com
	Asian Tigers Transpack	82-2-3489-2500	www.asiantigers-korea.com

Category	Name	Telephone	Homepage
International Shipping	Ace Shipping	82-2-3142-3100	aceshipping.co.kr
	Kokusai Express	82-2-3143-5555	www.kokusaiaexpress.com/ENG
	Sea Road Global Logistics	82-2-771-3311 82-70-7439-2424	www.searoad.or.kr
	Calspress (Busan)	82-51-512-1212	www.calspress.com
	Allied Pickfords	82-2-796-5961	kr.alliedpickfords.com
	Orient Shipping	82-2-716-6600	www.orientship.kr
Home and International	UPS	82-1588-6886	www.ups.com/kr
	DHL Korea	82-1588-0001	www.dhl.co.kr
	FedEX	82-2-333-8000	www.fedex.com/kr

## Education : Foreign School, Language Institute, Library, Bookstore

Category	Name	Telephone	Homepage
Foreign School	Dulwich College Seoul	82-2-3015-8517	www.dulwich-seoul.kr
	Dwight School Seoul	82-2-6920-8600	www.dwight.or.kr
	Seoul International School	82-31-750-1200	www.siskorea.org
	Seoul Academy International School	82-2-554-1690	www.seoulacademy.net
	Seoul Foreign School	82-2-330-3100	www.seoulforeign.org
	Yongsan International School of Seoul	82-2-797-5104	www.yisseoul.org
	Asia Pacific International School	82-2-907-2747	www.apis.seoul.kr
	Global Christian Foreign School	82-2-797-0234	www.gcfskorea.org
	Korea International School (Seoul)	82-2-3496-0510	www.kis.or.kr
	Korea International School (Pangyo)	82-31-789-0509	www.kis.or.kr
	Korea International School (Jeju)	82-64-741-0509	www.kis.or.kr
	Korea Kent Foreign School	82-2-2201-7091	www.kkfs.org
	International Christian School of Uijongbu	82-31-855-1276	www.ics-ujb.org
	Gyeonggi Suwon International School	82-31-695-2800	gsis.sc.kr
	Suwon Chinese E-School	82-31-262-2648	www.oscschool.co.kr
Centennial Christian School	82-2-772-9275~6	www.cclsions.com	
International Christian School Pyeongtaek	82-31-651-1376	www.icsptk.org	

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Foreign School	Chadwick International School	82-32-250-5000	www.chadwickinternational.org
	Daegu International School	82-53-980-2100	www.dis.sc.kr
	Branksome Hall Asia	82-64-902-5000	www.branksome.asia
	International School of koje	82-55-680-5000	www.iskoje.org
	Taejon Christian International School	82-42-620-9000	www.tcis.or.kr
	Kwangju Foreign School	82-62-575-0900	www.kwangjuforeignschool.org
	Gyeongnam International Foreign School	82-55-853-5125	www.gifs.or.kr
	Busan International Foreign School	82-51-742-3332	www.bifskorea.org
	Busan Foreign School	82-51-747-7199	www.busanforeignschool.org
	Korea International Christian School	82-32-688-2212~5	www.christianschool.or.kr
	Rainbow International School	82-2-571-2917/18	www.rischool.org
	Seoul Hua-chaio Chinese E-School	82-2-776-1688	www.hanxiao.or.kr
	Seoul Hua-chaio Chinese M and H-School	82-2-324-0664	www.scs.or.kr
	Korea Yeongdeungpo Chinese E-School	82-2-2678-5939	yongxiao.kr
	Busan Chinese E-School	82-51-467-0274	-
	Busan Chinese M and H-School	82-51-467-0275	www.kbchs.org
	Korea Daegu Chinese E-School	82-53-255-4273	-
	Korea Daegu Chinese M and H-School	82-53-471-1422	www.kdcs.or.kr
	Uijeongbu Chinese E-School	82-31-829-3481	cafe.daum.net/ui-hwagyo
	Incheon Chinese Jungsan E, M and H-School	82-32-772-3615	-
	Jecheon Chinese E-School	82-43-646-2038	-
	Wonju Chinese E-School	82-33-764-4846	-
	Chungju Chinese E-School	82-43-847-2656	-
	Onyang Chinese E-School	82-41-462-2807	-
	Gunsan Chinese E-School	82-63-445-2417	-
	Busan Chinese Kindergarten	82-51-468-2845	-
	Seoul Japanese School	82-2-308-2010	www.sjs.or.kr
	French School of Seoul	82-2-535-1158	www.lfseoul.org
German School Seoul	82-2-792-0797	www.dsseoul.org	
Lycee International Xavier	82-2-396-7688	www.xavier.sc.kr	
Korea Mongolian School	82-2-3437-7078	www.mongolschool.org	

Category	Name	Telephone	Homepage
Foreign School	ECLC International Kindergarten	82-2-795-8418	www.eclcseoul.com
	Franciscan Foreign Kindergarten	82-2-798-2195	www.franciscanfk.com
	Cheongna Dalton School	82-32-563-0523	www.daltonschool.kr
	Busan Japanese School	82-51-753-4166	busanjs.jp
	Hyundai Foreign School	82-52-250-2851	hyundaiforeignschool.com
	North London Collegiate School Jeju	82-64-793-8004	www.nlcsjeju.co.kr
	GANADA Korean Language Institute	82-2-332-6003	www.ganadakorean.com
	Korean Language Institute, Sun Moon University	82-41-559-1302~3	kli.sunmoon.ac.kr
	Ewha Womans University Korean Language School	82-2-3277-6958	elc.ewha.ac.kr
	Yonsei University Korean Language Institute	82-2-2123-8550~2 82-2-2123-3464~5	www.yskli.com
	Language Teaching Research Center	82-2-735-0039	-
	Seoul Korean Language Academy	82-2-563-3226	www.seoul-kla.com
	Seoul National University Language Education Institute	82-2-880-8570/ 5488	language.snu.ac.kr
	Center for Korean Language & Culture	82-2-2173-2260, 82-31-330-4831	builder.hufs.ac.kr/user/ hufskorean
	Hanyang University International Language Institute	82-2-2220-1663/ 1665~6	iie.hanyang.ac.kr
	Konkuk University Language Institute	82-2-450-3075~6	kfli.konkuk.ac.kr
Sogang University Korea Language Education Center	82-2-705-8088~9	klec.sogang.ac.kr	
Language institutes	International Language School of Dankook	82-1899-3700	www.dankook.ac.kr
	YBM SISA Language Institute	82-2-2278-0509	www.ybmedu.com
	Ajou University Korean Language Institute	82-31-219-1675/ 1677	www.ajou.ac.kr/kr/ admission/ enter05.jsp
Library	The National Library of Korea	82-2-535-4142	www.nl.go.kr/english/index.jsp
	National Assembly Library	82-2-788-4211	www.nanet.go.kr/english
	Namsan Public Library	82-2-754-7338	nslib.sen.go.kr
	Seodaemun Public Library	82-2-6948-2115/ 2160	sdmlib.sen.go.kr
	Gangnam Public Library	82-2-3448-4741~5	gnlib.sen.go.kr
	Namyangju Municipal Pyeongnae Library	82-31-590-8560~1	lib.nyj.go.kr/pynae/index.jsp
Junggu Municipal Sindang Library	82-2-2280-8490~1	www.e-junggulib.or.kr	

Category	Name	Telephone	Homepage
Bookstore	Kyobo Bookstore	82-1544-1900	www.kyobobook.co.kr
	Young Poong Bookstore	82-1544-9020	www.ypbooks.co.kr
	Bandi and Luni's	82-1577-4030	www.bandinlunis.com

## Medical Service : Hospital, Life Insurance

Category	Region	Name	Telephone	Homepage
Hospital	Seoul	Seoul National University Hospital	82-2-2072-0505	www.snuh.org
		Severance Hospital	82-2-2228-5800/5810	www.yuhs.or.kr
		Seoul Asan Medical Center	82-2-3010-5001	medical.amc.seoul.kr
		Samsung Medical Center	82-2-3410-0200/0226	www.samsunghospital.com
		Gangnam Severance Hospital	822-2019-3600/3690	gs.iseverance.com
		Soonchunhyang University Hospital	82-2-709-9114/9158	www.schmc.ac.kr/seoul
		Hanyang University Medical Center	82-2-2290-9553	www.hyumc.com
		Kyung Hee University Medical Center	82-2-958-9644/9477	www.khmc.or.kr
		Seoul St. Mary's Hospital	82-2-2258-5745~6	www.cmcseoul.or.kr
		Chung-Ang University Hospital	82-1800-0114	www.caumc.or.kr
		Korea University Medical Center	82-2-920-5677	www.kumc.or.kr
		Ewha Women's University Hospital	82-2-2650-5890	www.eumc.ac.kr
	Migrant worker's Hospital	82-2-862-0066	-	
	Gyeonggi-do	Ajou University Medical Center	82-31-2194311~3/ 4010/7070	www.ajoumc.or.kr
		Cheongsim International Medical Center	82-31-589-4300	www.csmc.or.kr
		Gachon University Gil Medical Center	82-32-460-3213	www.gilhospital.com
		National Cancer Center	82-31-920-1934	ncc.re.kr
		Soonchunhyang University Hospital Bucheon	82-32-621-5114	www.schmc.ac.kr
		Inha University Hospital	82-32-890-2080	inha.com
	Busan	Boomin Hospital	82-51-602-8189	www.bumin.co.kr
		Good Gang-An Hospital	82-51-610- 9182/6300123	www.gang-an.or.kr
		Inje University Pusan Paik Hospital	82-51-890-6114	www.paik.ac.kr
		Parkside Rehabilitation Hospital	82-51-629-8000	www.parkside.co.kr
Good Moonhwa Hospital		82-51-644-2002	www.moonhwa.or.kr	

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Hospital	Busan	Kosin University Gospel Hospital	82-51-990-6114/6900 630-0123	www.kosinmed.or.kr	
	Gyeongsangnam-do	Changwon Fatima Hospital	82-55-270-1000	www.fatimahosp.co.kr	
	Gyeongsangbuk-do	Kumi Cha Medical Center	82-54-450-9700	kumi.chamc.co.kr	
	Daegu	Kyemyeong University Dongsan Medical Center	82-53-250-7303	www.dsmc.or.kr	
			Yeongnam University Medical Center	82-1522-3114 82-53-623-8001	yumcac.kr/12_english/vision.htm
	Ulsan	Ulsan University Hospital	82-52-250-7000	www.uuh.ulsan.kr	
	Gwangju	Chosun University Hospital	82-62-220-3114	hosp.chosun.ac.kr	
			Chonnam National University Hospital	82-62-220-5400	www.cnuh.com
			Kwangju Christian Hospital	82-62-650-5000	www.kch.or.kr/eng
	Jeollabuk-do	Presbyterian Medical Center	82-63-230-8114	www.jesushospital.com	
		Wongkwang University Hospital	82-63-859-1114	www.wkuh.org	
	Daejeon	Eulji University Medical Center	82-42-1899-0001	www.emcac.kr	
		Konyang University Hospital	82-42-600-6654/6655	www.kyuh.ac.kr	
	Life Insurance Company	Hanhwa Life Insurance		82-2-2169-0899 82-1588-6363	www.hanwhalife.com
Allianz Life Insurance		82-1588-6500, 82-2-3299-5500	www.allianzlife.co.kr		
Samsung Life Insurance		82-2-900-3114	www.samsunglife.com		
Hungkuk Life Insurance		82-31-789-9200	www.hungkuk.co.kr		
Kyobo Life Insurance		82-2-2670-5200	www.kyobo.co.kr		
Tongyang Life Insurance		82-2-2047-2000	www.myangel.co.kr		
Metlife Korea		82-2-2017-6700	www.metlife.co.kr		
Prudential Financial		82-2-331-4620	www.prudential.co.kr		
Shinhan Life Insurance		82-2-2131-3000	www.shinhanlife.co.kr		
PCA Life Insurance		82-2-6958-3898	www.pcakorea.co.kr		
ACE Insurance		82-1599-4600	www.ancelife.co.kr		
ING Life Insurance		82-2-2261-1133	www.inglife.co.kr		
LINA Life Insurance		82-2-797-9000	www.lina.co.kr		
AIA Korea		82-2-3707-4800	www.aia.co.kr		

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Life Insurance Company		Samsung Fire & Marine Insurance	82-2-2119-2000	www.samsungfire.com
		Hyundai Marine & Fire Insurance	82-1588-5656	www.hi.co.kr
		Meritzfire	82-1566-7711	www.meritzfire.com
		KDB Life Insurance	82-2-6913-8190	www.kdblifeco.kr

## Financial Service : Bank, Credit Card Entertainment & Culture Shopping

Category	Name	Telephone	Homepage
Bank	Korea Development Bank	82-2-1588-1500	www.kdb.co.kr
	Standard Chartered Bank	82-1577-7744	www.standardchartered.co.kr
	Shinhan Bank	82-1577-8380 82-2-3449-8380	www.shinhanbank.co.kr
	KEB Hana Bank	82-1599-6111 82-42-520-2500	open.keb.co.kr
	Woori Bank	82-2-2006-5000 82-1599-2288	spot.wooribank.com
	J.P. Morgan	82-2-758-5200	www.jpmorgan.co.kr
	Citibank Korea	82-2-3704-7000	www.citibank.co.kr
	Mizuho	82-2-3782-8500	www.mizuhocbk.co.jp
	Bank of China	82-1670-5566	www.bank-of-china.com
	Industrial and Commercial Bank of China	82-2-755-5688	www.icbc.com.cn
	HSBC	82-1588-1770	www.hsbc.co.kr
	Barclays	82-2-2126-2600	www.barclays.com
	BNP Paribas	82-2-317-1700	www.bnpparibas.co.kr
	UBS	82-2-3702-8888	www.ubs.com/kr/en.html
	Deutsche Bank	82-2-724-4500	www.db.com/korea
	ING	82-2-317-1800	www.ing.com
Credit Card Company	Master Card	0079-811-887-0823	www.mastercard.com
	American Express Card	82-2-399-2929	www.americanexpress.com
	JCB Card	82-2-755-4693	www.jcbcard.kr
	BC Card	82-2-950-8600	www.bccard.com
	KEB Hana Card	82-1544-3500	www.hanacard.co.kr
	Shinhan Card	82-1544-7000	www.shinhancard.com

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Credit Card Company	Woori Card	82-2-2169-5900	card.wooribank.com
	Citi Card	82-2-2004-1004	www.citibank.co.kr
	NH Card	82-2-3704-1004 82-1588-2100 82-1544-2100	card.nonghyup.com
Art Gallery & Museum	The National Theater of Korea	82-2-2280-4114	www.ntok.go.kr
	Seongnam Arts Center	82-31-783-8000	www.snart.or.kr
	Sejong Center for the Performing Arts	82-2-399-1114~6	www.sejongpac.or.kr
	Soma (Seoul Olympic Museum of Art)	82-2-425-1077	www.somamuseum.org
	Seoul Arts Center	82-2-580-1300	www.sac.or.kr
	Universal Arts Center	82-70-7124-1740	www.uac.co.kr
	Jeongdong Theater	82-2-751-1500	www.chongdong.com
	Chungmu Art Center	82-2-2230-6600	www.caci.or.kr
	National Museum of Korea	82-2-2077-9000	www.museum.go.kr
	National Folk Museum	82-2-3704-3114	www.nfm.go.kr
	National Museum of Contemporary Art, Korea	82-2-2188-6000	www.mmca.go.kr
	Seoul Museum of History	82-2-724-0274	www.museum.seoul.kr
	The Museum of Agricultural	82-2-2080-5727	www.agrimuseum.or.kr
	Gahoe Museum	82-2-741-0466	www.gahoemuseum.org
	Kyungin Museum of Fine Art	82-2-733-4448~9	www.kyunginart.co.kr
	Seoul Museum of Art	82-2-2124-8800	sema.seoul.go.kr
National Palace Museum of Korea	82-2-3701-7500	www.gogung.go.kr	
Museum Kimchikan	82-2-6002-6456	www.kimchimuseum.co.kr	
Movie Theater	CGV	82-1544-1122	www.cgv.co.kr
	Mega Box	82-1544-0070	www.megabox.co.kr
	Lotte Cinema	82-1544-8855	www.lottecinema.co.kr
	Seoul Cinema	82-2-2269-2700	www.seoulcinema.com
Amusement Park	Lotte World Theme Park	82-1661-2000	www.lotteworld.com
	Everland	82-31-320-5000	www.everland.com
	Seoul Land	82-2-509-6000	www.seoulland.co.kr
	Seoul Children's Grand Park & Zoo	82-2-500-7335	grandpark.seoul.go.kr
	Aiins World	82-32-320-6000	www.aiinsworld.com
	E-world	82-53-620-0001	www.eworld.kr

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Amusement Park	Gyeongju World Resort	82-54-745-7711	www.gjw.co.kr
	Tongdo Fantasia	82-55-379-7000	www.fantasia.co.kr
Department Store	Shinsegae	82-2-310-1047	www.shinsegae.com
	Lotte	82-1899-8900 82-2-771-2500	www.lotteshopping.com
	Hyundai	82-2-549-2233	www.ehyundai.com
	The Galleria	82-2-410-7114	dept.galleria.co.kr
	Times Square	82-2-2638-2000	www.timessquare.co.kr
Market	Namdaemun Market	82-2-752-1913	www.namdaemunmarket.co.kr
	Dongdaemun Shopping Town	82-2-2262-0114	www.dongdaemunsc.co.kr
	Kwangjang Market	82-2-2267-0219	www.kwangjangmarket.co.kr
	Bangsan Market	82-2-2268-6691~4	www.bangsan-tmk.com
	Garak Market	82-2-3435-0400	www.garak.co.kr
	Gangseo Market	82-2-2640-6000	www.garak.co.kr
	Gyeongdong Market	82-2-967-8721	www.kyungdongmart.com
	Noryangjin Fisheries Wholesale Market	82-2-2254-8000~1	www.susansijang.co.kr
	Pyounghwa Market	82-2-2265-3531~3	www.pyounghwa.com
	Doota	82-1833-8800	www.doota.com
	Migliore (Myeongdong)	82-2-2124-0001	-
	Nakwon Arcade	82-1599-1968	www.enakwon.com
	Yongsan ETLand	82-2-707-4700/4694	www.i-etland.co.kr/
YangJae flower market	82-2-579-8100	www.yfmc.co.kr	
Mega Mart	E-Mart	82-2-380-5678	emart.shinsegae.com
	Lotte Mart	82-1577-2500 82-2-2145-8000	www.lottemart.com
	Kim's Club	82-2-530-5752	-
	Home Plus	82-2-3459-8000	corporate.homeplus.co.kr
	Hanaro Mart	82-2-2022-6900	www.nhhanaro.co.kr
	COSTCO	82-1899-9900	www.costco.co.kr
	Mega Mart	82-2-820-8500	home.megamart.com
Shopping Mall	Garden 5	82-2-2157-0100	www.garden5.com
	I'park Mall	82-2-2012-0101	www.iparkmall.co.kr
	Central City	82-2-6282-0114	www.centralcityseoul.co.kr

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Shopping Mall	Enter 6	82-2-1566-6222	www.enter6.co.kr
	COEX Mall	82-2-6002-5300	coex.co.kr
Dutyfree Shop	The Shilla Dutyfree	82-2-2639-6000	www.shilladfs.com/en
	Lotte Dutyfree	82-2-1688-3020	en.lottedfs.com
	Donghwa Dutyfree	82-1688-6680	www.dutyfree24.com
	WalkerHill Dutyfree	82-1599-1110	www.skdutyfree.com
	Shinsegae Dutyfree	82-1577-0161	www.ssgdfs.com
Airline	Korean Air	82-1588-2001 82-2-2656-2001	www.koreanair.com
	Asiana Air	82-1588-8000 82-2-2669-8000	flyasiana.com
	Jeju Air	82-1599-1500	www.jejuair.net
	Jin Air	82-1600-6200	www.jinair.com
	Eastar Jet	82-1544-0080	www.eastarjet.com
	Air Busan	82-1666-3060 82-70-7997-3060	www.airbusan.com
	Tway Air	82-1688-8686	www.twayair.com
	Garuda Indonesia	82-2-773-2092	www.garuda-indonesia.com/ kr
	KLM Royal Dutch Airlines	82-2-3483-1133	www.klm.com/
	Delta Airlines	82-2-754-1921	www.delta.com
	Lufthansa	82-2-6022-4228	www.lufthansa.com
	Malaysia Airlines	2-2-7536-241/2	www.malaysiaairlines.com
	Vietnam Airlines	82-2-757-8920	www.vietnamairlines.com
	Air-Astana	82-2-3788-0170	www.airastana.com
	Air India	82-2-752-6310	www.airindia.co.kr
	Air Canada	82-2-3788-0100	www.aircanada.co.kr
	Air France	82-2-3483-1033	www.airfrance.co.kr
	Air Hong Kong	82-32-744-6766	www.airhongkong.com.hk
	United Airlines	82-2-751-0300	www.kr.united.com
	Japan Airlines	82-2-757-1711	www.krjal.com/kr/en
All Nippon Airways	82-2-2096-5500	www.ana.co.jp/wvs/kr/k	
Air China	82-2-774-6886	www.airchina.kr	
China Southern Airlines	82-1899-5539	www.cs-air.com	

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Airline	China Eastern Airlines	82-1661-2600	www.easternair.co.kr
	China Airlines	82-2-317-8888	www.china-airlines.co.kr
	Cathay Pacific Airways	82-1644-8003	www.cathaypacific.com/kr
	Thai Airways	82-2-3707-0114	www.thaiair.co.kr
	Philippine Airlines	82-2-399-8000	www.philippineairlines.co.kr
	Singapore Airlines	82-2-755-1226	www.singaporeair.com/kr
	Aeroflot Russian Airlines	82-2-569-3271/3276	www.aeroflot.ru/cms/zh
	Qatar Airways	82-2-3772-9000	www.qatarairways.co.kr
	Emirates Airlines	82-2-2022-8400	www.emirates.com/kr
Deluxe First Class Hotel	The Westin Chosun Seoul	82-2-771-0500	www.echosunhotel.com
	Millennium Seoul Hilton	82-2-753-7788	www.hilton.co.kr
	The Plaza Hotel	82-2-771-2200	www.hoteltheplaza.com
	The Shilla	82-2-2233-3131	www.shilla.net
	Lotte Hotel Seoul	82-2-771-1000	www.lottehotel.com
	Grand Ambassador Seoul	82-2-2275-1101	grand.ambatel.com
	Grand Hyatt Seoul	82-2-797-1234	seoul.grand.hyatt.com/ko/hotel
	Sheraton Grand Walkerhill	82-2-455-5000	www.sheratonwalkerhill.co.kr
	W Seoul-Walkerhill	82-2-465-2222	www.wseoul.com
	Grand Hilton Seoul	82-2-3216-5656	www.grandhiltonseoul.com
	Mayfield Seoul	82-2-2660-9000	www.mayfield.co.kr
	JW Marriott Seoul	82-2-6282-6262	www.jw-marriott.co.kr
	Intercontinental Hotel	82-2-555-5656	www.grandiciparnas.com:444/kor
	The Ritz-Carlton Seoul	82-2-3451-8000	www.ritzcarltonseoul.com
	Imperial Palace Seoul	82-2-3440-8000	www.imperialpalace.co.kr
	Intercontinental Seoul COEX	82-2-3452-2500	www.iccoex.com/kor/index.do
	Lotte Hotel World	82-2-419-7000	www.lottehotelworld.com
	MVL Goyang Hotel	82-31-927-7700	www.mvlhotel.com/goyang
	The Westin Chosun Busan	82-51-749-7000	twcb.echosunhotel.com
Paradise Hotel Busan	82-51-742-2121	www.busanparadisehotel.co.kr	
Deluxe Second Class Hotel	Royal Hotel Seoul	82-2-756-1112	www.royal.co.kr
	President Hotel	82-2-753-3131	www.hotelpresident.co.kr
	Sejong Hotel Seoul	82-2-773-6000	www.sejong.co.kr
	Koreana Hotel	82-2-2171-7000	www.koreanahotel.com

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Deluxe Second Class Hotel	Pacific Hotel	82-2-777-7811	www.thepacifichotel.co.kr
	Hotel Capital	82-2-6399-2000	www.hotelcapital.co.kr
	Seoul Garden Hotel	82-2-710-7112	www.seoulgarden.co.kr
	Novotel Ambassador Gangnam	82-2-567-1101	novotelambatelen.com/gangnam
	Kensington Hotel Yoido	82-2-6670-7000	www.kensingtonyoido.co.kr
	Seoul Palace Hotel	82-2-532-5000	www.seoulpalace.co.kr
	Ramada Seoul	82-2-6202-2000	www.ramadaseoul.co.kr
	Haeundae Centum Hotel (Busan)	82-51-720-9000	www.ecentumhotel.com
	SEACLOUD (Busan)	82-51-933-1000	www.seacloudhotel.com
	PALE DE CZ (Busan)	82-51-746-1010	www.paledecz.co.kr
Residence Hotel	COATEL	82-2-6288-3333	www.coatel.co.kr
	M Chereville	82-2-447-9959	www.m-chereville.com
	Provista	82-2-597-1140	www.provista.co.kr
	Human Starville	82-2-556-0070	www.humanstarville.com
	Oakwood	82-2-3466-7000	www.oakwoodpremier.co.kr
	Gangnam Serviced Residences	82-2-6474-1515	www.gangnamresidence.com
	Somerset Palace Seoul	82-2-6730-8888	www.somersetpalace.co.kr
	Fraser Place Central Seoul	82-2-2220-8888	seoul-central.frasershospitality.com
	Oriens Hotel & Residences	82-2-2280-8000	www.orienshotel.com
	Hyundai Residence	82-2-3406-8000/1	www.hyundairs.com
	Casa Ville	82-2-6220-4000	www.casaville.co.kr
	Stay7	82-2-365-9010	www.stay7mapo.com
	Artnouveau city	82-2-580-7300, 82-2-580-7400	www.gnanhotel.com
	Vabien Suites	82-2-2076-9000	www.vabiensuite.com
Hotel Reservation Service	Korea Hotel	82-2-3152-0777	www.koreahotel.com
	Hotel Java	82-1544-8608	www.hoteljava.co.kr
	HOTELVIP	82-2-785-5552	www.hotelvip.co.kr
	Hotel Join	82-2-2017-4644	www.hoteljoin.com
	Oh my Hotel	82-1566-7005	www.ohmyhotel.com
	INTERPARK Tour	82-1588-3443	tour.interpark.com
	BENIKEA (Managed by Korea Tourism Organization)	82-1330, 82-33-738-3670	www.benikea.com

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Hotel Reservation Service	Hotels.com	82-2-3480-0151	www.hotels.com
	Hotel.Korea	82-2-552-6965	www.hotel.co.kr
	Hotel Together	82-2-584-6505	-
National Park	Seoraksan National Park	82-33-636-7700	seorak.knps.or.kr
	Bukhansan National Park	82-2-909-0497	bukhan.knps.or.kr
	Jirisan National Park	82-55-970-1000	jiri.knps.or.kr
	Hallasan National Park	82-64-713-9953	www.hallasan.go.kr
	Dadohae National Park	82-61-554-5474	dadohae.knps.or.kr
	Taeanhaean National Park	82-41-672-9737	taean.knps.or.kr
	Hallyeohaesang Marine National Park	82-55-860-5800	hallyeo.knps.or.kr
Traditional Village	Andong Hahoe Folk Village	82-54-840-6974	www.hahoe.or.kr
	Yongin Korean Folk Village	82-31-288-0000	www.koreanfolk.co.kr
	Jeju Folk Village Museum	82-64-787-4501~2	www.jejufolk.com
Royal Palace	Gyeongbokgung	82-2-3700-3900	www.royalpalace.go.kr
	Changdeokgung	82-2-3668-2300	www.cdg.go.kr
	Deoksugung	82-2-771-9955	www.deoksugung.go.kr
	Changgyeonggung	82-2-762-4868	cgg.cha.go.kr
Tourist Information	Korea Tourism Organization	82-33-738-3000	korean.visitkorea.or.kr
	Korea.net	82-44-203-330	www.korea.net
	Seoul Global Center	82-2-2075-4180	global.seoul.go.kr
	The Official Travel Guide to Seoul	82-2-3788-0883	www.visitseoul.net
	Dynamic Busan	82-51-1330, 82-51-120	etour.busan.go.kr
	Colorful Daegu	82-53-803-3902	tour.daegu.go.kr/eng
	Incheon Tour	82-32-120	eng-itour.incheon.go.kr/ foreign/index.do
	Gwangju Metropolitan City	82-62-120	tour.gwangju.go.kr/eng/ main.cs
	Daejeon Metropolitan City	82-42-120	www.daejeon.go.kr/dre/ index.do
	Gyeonggi-do Tourism	82-31-259-4711	en.ggtour.or.kr
	Gangwon Tourism	82-33-1330, 82-33-249-3337	en.gangwon.to/cyber/en
	Chungcheongnam-do Culture & Tourism	82-41-635-2000	www.chungnam.net/englishMain.do

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Tourist Information	ChungBuk Tourism Nadri	82-43-220-4003	tour.chungbuk.go.kr/home_en/sub.php?menukey=266
	Jeollabuk-do Culture and Tour Information	82-63-1330 82-63-280-3336	tour.jb.go.kr
	Namdo Korea	82-61-247-0011	www.namdokorea.com/en
	Gyeongsangbuk-do Tour	82-54-1330, 82-54-745-0753	tour.gb.go.kr/en/index.do
	Gyeongnam Tourism	82-55-1330, 82-55-211-6130	english.gntour.com
	Jeju Tour Info	82-64-120	www.visitjeju.net

## Sports & Leisure

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Leisure Sports	River City	82-2-3442-3313	www.hanrivercity.com
	Hangang Project Headquarters	82-2-120	hangang.seoul.go.kr
Tennis	Dong Seoul Tennis Courts	82-2-406-4781	-
	Jangchoong Tennis Courts	82-2-2274-3379	-
	Seoul High School Tennis Court	82-2-582-8151	-
	Hannam Tennis Courts	82-2-790-3651	www.hannamtennis.com
	Nakwon Tennis Courts	82-10-6267-9392	blog.naver.com/j2h7072
	Worldcup Park Tennis Courts	82-2-300-5501~2	worldcuppark.seoul.go.kr
	Forest Jump Tennis Club	82-2-579-7277	cafe.naver.com/fotestjump
	EZ to Tennis	82-10-4880-5313	cafe.naver.com/hannamtennis
Tennis	Kolon Sporex Tennis	82-2-580-8301~2	www.sporex.com
	Hanaro Tennis Courts	82-2-3462-7807	-
	Sportime Tennis Courts	82-2-526-0444	www.sportime.co.kr
Taekwondo	International Kumkang Taekwondo Center	82-2-2642-0692	www.taekwontokorea.com
	Hannam Taekwondo Center	82-2-794-9125	-
	Haedong Taekwondo Center	82-2-794-1462	-
	Itaewon Taekwondo Center	82-2-798-7271	-
	Seoul Expats Taekwondo Center	82-2-322-6067	-
	Expats Taekwondo Center in Korea	82-2-884-5833	-

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Golf	Benest Golf Club	82-1577-9727	www.golfsamsung.com
	Konjiam Country Club	82-31-760-3555~6	www.konjiam.lg.co.kr
	Namseoul Country Club	82-31-709-6000	www.nsccl.co.kr
	New Korea Golf Club	82-2-353-0091	www.newkoreacc.co.kr
	Lakeside Country Club	82-31-334-2111	www.lakesidecc.co.kr
	Lakehills Country Club	82-31-336-8350	lakehills.co.kr
	Lotte Skyhill Country Club	82-55-340-9000	www.skyhill.co.kr
	Asiana Country Club	82-31-334-8800	www.asianacc.co.kr
	Alpensia	82-33-339-0000	www.alpensiaresort.co.kr
	Jack Nicklaus Golf Club	82-32-850-8000	www.jacknicklausgolfclubkorea.com
Fitness & Swimming	KBS Sports World	82-2-2600-8880	www.kbssw.co.kr
	Olympic Park Sports Center	82-2-410-1111~2/1600	www.ksponco.or.kr
	World Spopia	82-2-2041-6114~5	www.worldspopia.co.kr
	Club 36.5	82-2-569-3650	blog.naver.com/club3650
	RU Fitness Center	82-1577-8420	www.rufitness.com
	Liberty Gym	82-2-798-0994	-
	Hamilton Hotel Swimming Pool	82-2-3786-6000	www.hamilton.co.kr
	Sheraton Walkerhill Hotel Swimming Pool	82-2-450-4607	www.sheratonwalkerhill.co.kr
	Supia Han River Swimming Pool	82-2-761-8201	-
Jamwon Han River Swimming Pool	82-2-536-8263	-	
Water Park & Rafting	Sealala	82-2-2628-9000	www.sealala.com
	Woongin Playdoci	82-1577-5773	www.playdoci.com
	Caribbean Bay	82-31-320-5000	www.everland.com
	Seorak Waterpia	82-1588-2299	www.hanwharesort.co.kr
	Vivaldi Park Ocean World	82-1588-4888	www.daemyungresort.com
	Phoenix Park Blue Canyon	82-1577-0069	www.phoenixpark.co.kr
	Yongpyong Resort	82-33-330-7103	www.yongpyong.co.kr
	Tedin Family Waterpark	82-41-906-7000	www.tedin.co.kr
	Spavis	82-41-539-2000	www.spavis.co.kr
	Bugok Hawaii	82-55-536-6331	www.bugokhawaii.co.kr
	Aqua Fantasia	82-55-379-7000	aqua.fantasia.co.kr
	Blue One Waterpark	82-1899-1888	wp.blueone.com/
	Hanguk Donggang Rafting	82-33-375-6600	www.rvv.co.kr/rvv

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Water Park & Rafting	Youngwol Rafting	82-33-375-1432	www.ywrafting.com
	Donggang Rafting	82-33-333-6600	www.raft.co.kr
Ski & Resort	Konjiam Resort	82-1661-8787	www.konjiamresort.co.kr
	Jisan Forest Resort	82-31-644-1200	www.jisanresort.co.kr
	Yongpyong Resort	82-33-335-5757	www.yongpyong.co.kr
	High One Resort	82-1588-7789	www.high1.com
	Daemyung Resort Vivaldi Park	82-1588-4888	www.daemyungresort.com
	Bears Town Resort	82-31-540-5000	www.bearstown.com
	Yangji Pine Resort	82-2-744-2001~2	www.pineresort.com
	Welli Hilli Park	82-1544-8833	www.wellihillipark.com
	Elysian	82-33-260-2000	www.elysian.co.kr
	Phoenix Park	82-1577-0069(#1)	www.phoenixpark.co.kr
	O2 Resort	82-33-580-7000	www.o2resort.com/english
	Star Hill Resort	82-2-2233-5311	www.starhillresort.com
	Eagle Valley Ski Resort	82-43-846-3000	eagle.zencom.co.kr
	Eden Valley Resort	82-55-379-8000	www.edenvalley.co.kr
	Hansol Oak Valley Resort	82-33-730-3500	www.oakvalley.co.kr
Muju Deogyusan Resort	82-63-322-9000	www.mdysresort.com/index.asp	
Sports Events	Seoul World Cup Stadium	82-2-2180-2002	www.seoulworldcupst.or.kr
	Jamsil Baseball Stadium	82-2-2240-1777	www.doosanbears.com
	Mokdong Baseball Stadium	82-2-3660-1000	www.heroes-baseball.com
	Incheon Munhak Baseball Stadium	82-32-200-7507	www.skssports.net/Wyverns/Munhak/index.asp
	Busan Sajik Baseball Stadium	82-51-590-9000	www.giantsclub.com
	Jamsil Gymnasium	82-2-2240-8802	stadium.seoul.go.kr/reserve/reserve_01_03_01.html
	Jamsil Sports Complex	82-2-2240-8800	stadium.seoul.go.kr/reserve/reserve_01_00.html
Leisure for Children	The National Folk Museum of Korea	82-2-3704-3114	www.kidsnfm.go.kr/eng/eng
	The befu	82-2-2234-4032/ 4036	www.thebefu.org/
	Kidzania	82-1544-5110	www.kidzania.co.kr/web/eng
	Gymboree	82-2-596-0949	www.gymboree.co.kr
	Rainbow Children Center	82-2-796-2776	-
	Uni Culture	82-2-2201-9300~1	www.uniartcenter.com

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Leisure for Children	COEX Aquarium	82-2-6002-6200	www.coexaqua.co.kr
	Ice Hockey Team (Jr. Kings Korea)	82-10-3778-3803	www.jrkings.co.kr/

## Communities : Cultural Centers, International Groups

Category	Name	Telephone	Homepage
Cultural Center	British Council	82-2-3702-0601	www.britishcouncil.kr
	China Cultural Center in Seoul	82-2-733-8307	www.cccseoul.org
	Goethe Institut	82-2-2021-2800	www.goethe.de/seoul
	Italian Cultural Institute in Seoul	82-2-796-0634 82-2-797-7792	www.iicseoul.esteri.it
	Philippine Korean Cultural House	82-51-442-0025	cafe.naver.com/phil7107
	Centre Culturel Francais	82-2-317-8500	www.institutfrancais-seoul.com
	Public information and Cultural Center Embassy of Japan Korea	82-2-765-3011~3	www.kr.emb-japan.go.jp/cult/cul_guide_map.html
	Saudi Arabia Cultural Center	82-2-744-6471	-
	Cultural Affairs Embassy of Mexico in Korea	82-2-798-1694/5	embamex2.sre.gob.mx/corea
	Istanbul Cultural Center	82-2-3452-8182	tulip.or.kr/main.php
	Latin America Cultural Center	82-31-962-7171	www.latina.or.kr
	Israel Culture Center	82-2-525-7301	www.ilculture.or.kr
International Group	American Women's Club (AWC)	82-2-749-3554	awckorea.com
	Association des Francophones de Corée (AFC)	82-2-3477-5423	-
	Australian and New Zealand Association of Korea (ANZA)	-	www.anzakorea.com
	British Association of Seoul (BASS)	82-2-756-0260	www.britishseoul.com
	Korea Contract Bridge League (KCBL) Cercle Franco-Coreen	82-2-3445-3847 82-2-596-8858	www.kcbl.org/bbs/clubs-e.php-
	FOCUS-Foreigner's Community Service	82-70-797-8212/ 798-7529	www.focusonseoul.com
	Helping Others Prosper through English (HOPE)	82-10-3905-7020	www.alwayshope.or.kr
	Irish Association of Korea (IAK)	-	www.iak.co.kr
	Mexican Community Group	82-2-798-1694~5	-
	Nordic Women's Club (NWC)	82-11-1704-6937	-
	Korea Middle East Association	82-2-793-1775	-

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International Group	Royal Asiatic Society-Korea Branch	82-2-763-9483	www.raskb.com
	Seoul International Women's Association (SIWA)	-	www.siwapage.com
	Seoul Players	-	-

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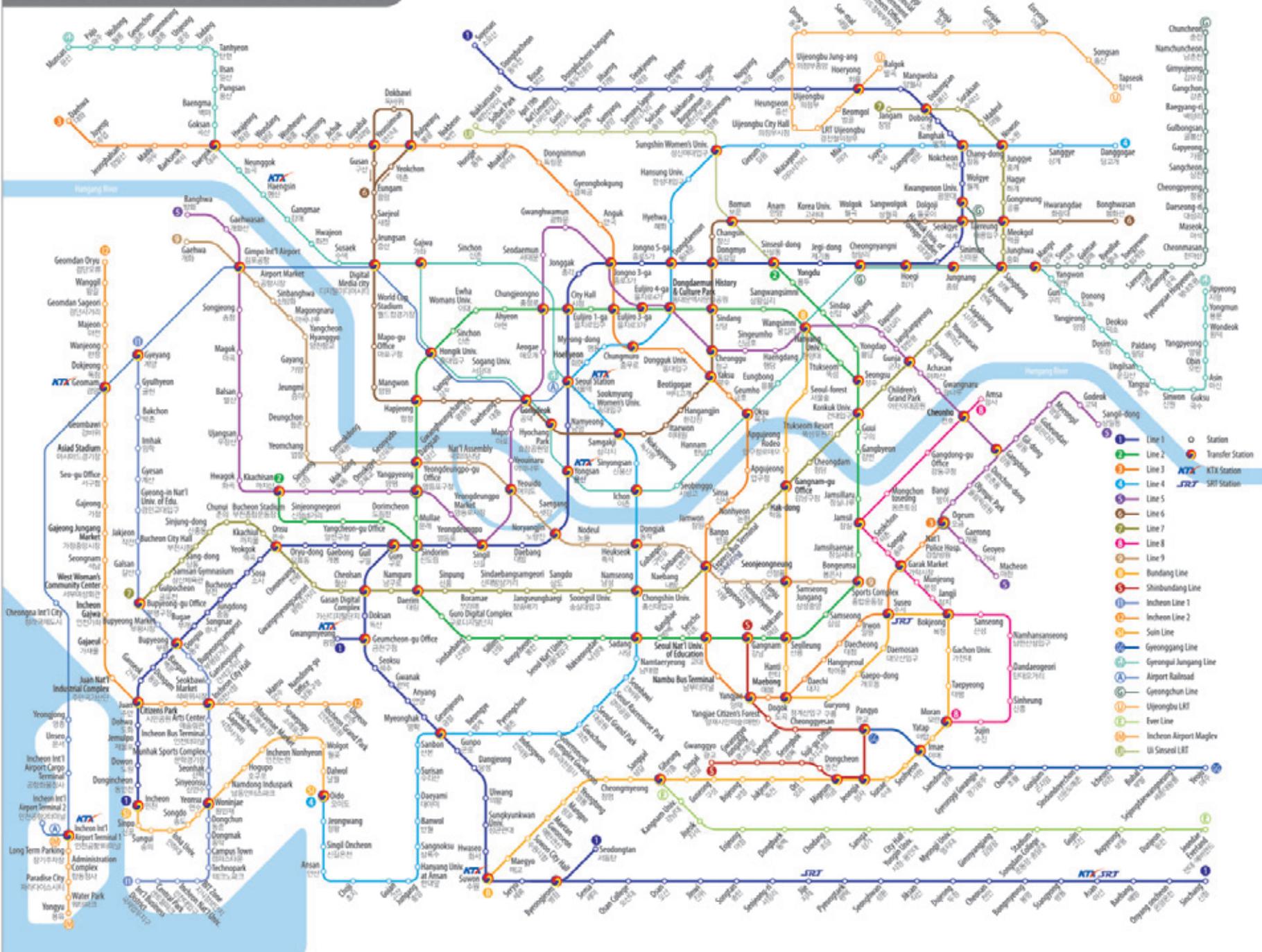
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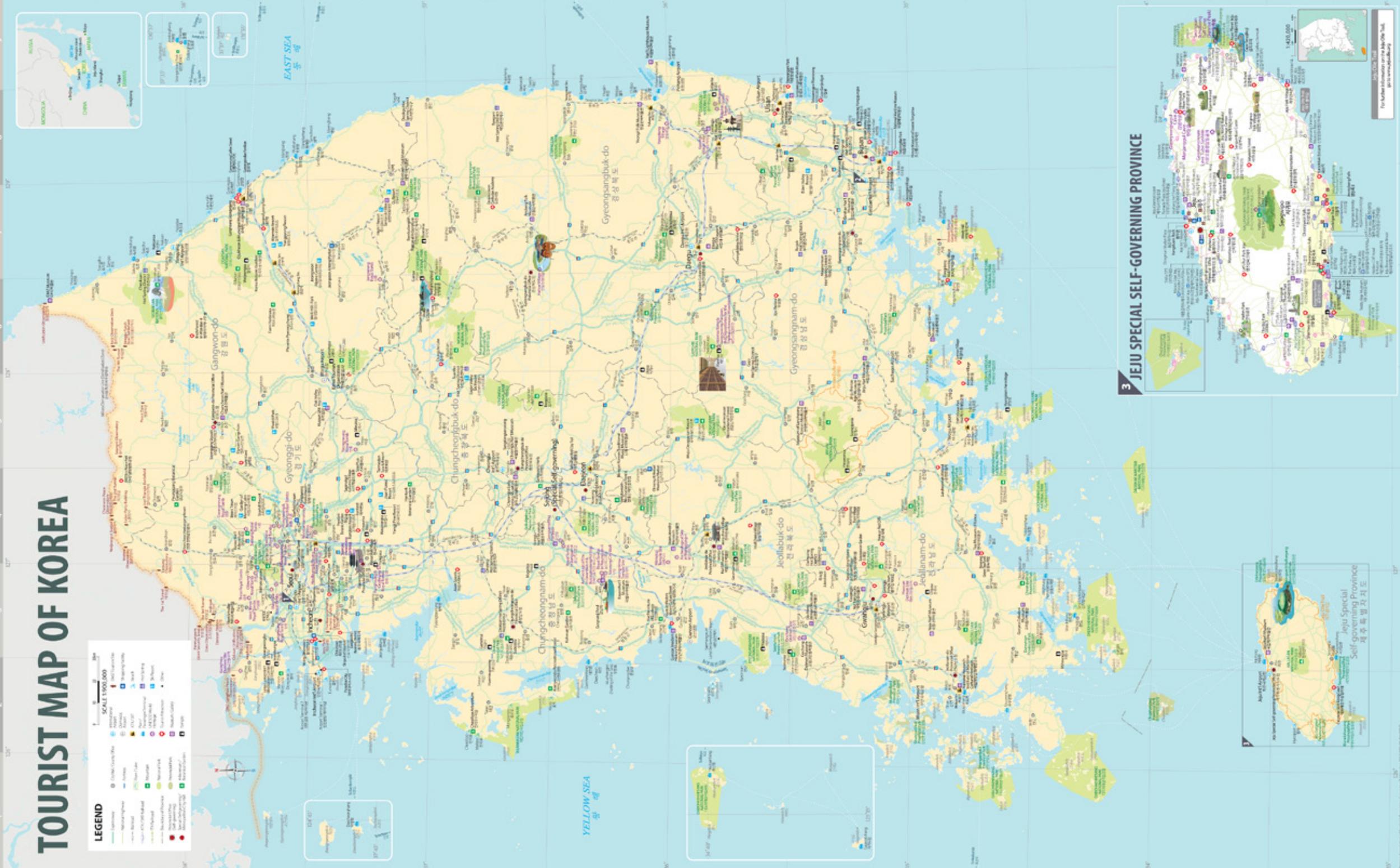




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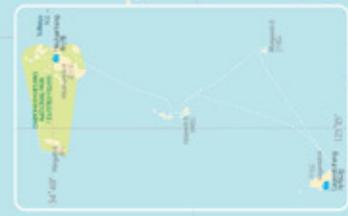
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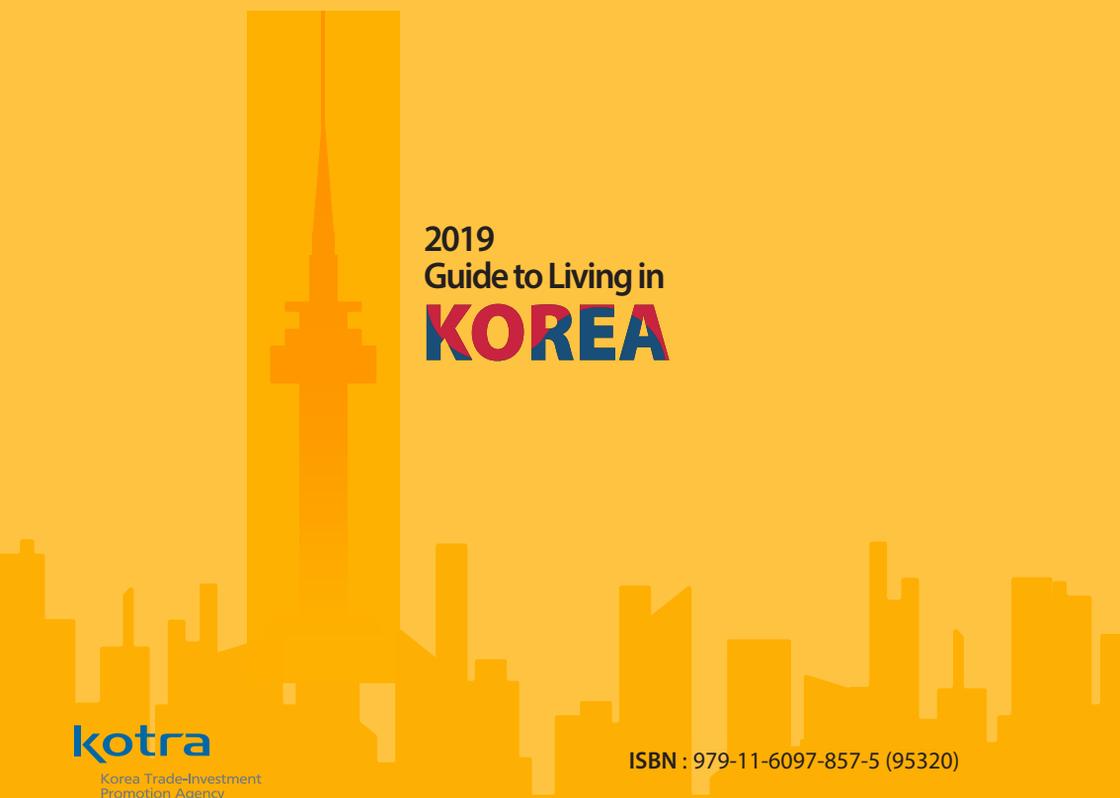


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