



## ICAO REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON NOISE CERTIFICATION

Asia/Pacific Region  
Bangkok  
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### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### Location of the ICAO Regional Office

The ICAO Regional Office is located at 252/1 Vipawadee-Rangsit Road, Ladyao, Chatuchak, Bangkok next to the Petroleum Authority of Thailand (PTT) Headquarters and opposite the Sofitel Central Plaza Bangkok. It is about 12 km. from the Sukhumvit Road, where most of the recommended hotels are located. Location of the Regional Office and the route map of the Bangkok Mass Transit System (BTS, also known as the Skytrain) and MRTA Sub-way system (the Underground Metro) are published in the APAC website <http://www.icao.int/apac/> under the heading "Information for Visitors".

#### Passport, visa and customs

The nearest BTS (Skytrain) station to the Office is Mo Chit and the nearest MRTA station to the Office is Phahon Yothin. Detailed routing instructions are provided on the web site.

All foreign nationals entering Thailand must possess valid passports or other valid documents for travel. Participants from certain countries are not required to obtain visas for a temporary visit not exceeding 15 days. It should, however, be noted that the temporary visas issued upon arrival at the Airport cannot be extended beyond the period of 15 days except under extraordinary circumstances. It is, therefore, suggested that all participants consider obtaining official visas from the Royal Thai Embassy or Consulate prior to their arrival in Thailand. Participants may wish to obtain information on entry requirements by accessing the web page <http://www.mfa.go.th>.

International certificates of vaccination against yellow fever are required if arriving within 6 days after leaving or transiting an infected area.

Following items can be brought in duty free:

- Personal effects such as clothing etc.
- 200 cigarettes, or 250 gms of cigar or tobacco.
- 1 litre alcoholic beverages.
- Perfume for personal use.

There are no restrictions on import of foreign currency. However, if the amount exceeds US\$10,000 it must be declared on entry. Foreign currencies may be taken out of the country up to the amount imported and declared. (Current exchange rate US\$1 = Baht 38.00 approx).

**Hotel reservations, arrival and departure**

Participants may contact recommended Hotels listed directly. Participants are advised to make reservation as soon as possible. The Regional Office would be pleased to assist participants in making hotel reservation, if required. While making reservations, participants should mention that they are attending ICAO Meetings to get the special room rate.

Participants are requested to make their own arrangements for transportation from the Airport to the city. The Suvarnabhumi airport is located in Bang Phli district, Samut Prakan Province, about 25 kilometers east of Bangkok. Useful information of the airport including taxi service/limousine services is available at <http://www.bangkokairportonline.com/>.

Metered taxi service will be available from the Bus Terminal. Shuttle buses leave from ground level (1st floor) of the terminal building. Additionally, flat-fare limousine services will also be available. [6]

When departing, the hotel can arrange for transportation to the airport. Public taxis, which are less expensive than hotel taxis, are also available. Most taxis have a fare meter.

For passengers departing on international flights, a passenger service charge of Baht 500 is levied at the Airport. Participants are requested to ensure that their return bookings are confirmed as required.

Participants are requested to make their own arrangements for transportation from their hotels to the venue of the Meeting.

**Other Useful Information**

Time in Thailand is 7 hours ahead of Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC+7).

International credit cards such as American Express, Diners Club, Visa, Master Card, etc. are normally accepted at major hotels and department stores.

All commercial banks exchange major foreign currencies and are open from 0830 to 1530 hours from Monday through Friday and some keep the foreign exchange counter open until 2000 hours during weekdays. Foreign exchange counters operated by various commercial banks are located at several places in the city and are also open during Saturdays and Sundays and on public holidays from 1000 to 2000 hours. To change travellers' cheques you are required to show your passport.

Information about Bangkok climate could be found on the ICAO APAC website. More weather information including 5-day forecasts can be obtained from the web site of the Thai Meteorological Department: [www.tmd.go.th](http://www.tmd.go.th), or at [www.worldweather.org/089/c00233.htm](http://www.worldweather.org/089/c00233.htm).

Tropical or lightweight and washable cottons will suffice.

Most hotels add a 10% service charge to the room rate in addition to the government tax of 7%. Baggage boys at hotel expect at least Baht 20. At restaurants, a tip of about 10% is expected unless a service charge has been added to the bill.

Although the tap water in Bangkok is chemically treated, it is, however, recommended that participants drink only bottled water and beverages.

**LIST OF RECOMMENDED HOTELS**

<i>Hotel</i>	<i>Room type</i>	<i>Net Price in Baht</i>
<b>Grand President (Serviced Apartment)</b> until Mar 1, 2007 14, 16 Sukhumvit Soi 11 Road, Klongtoey Nua, Wattana, Bangkok 10110. Tel: +66 (2) 651 1200 Fax: +66 (2) 651 3835 e-mail: reservations@grandpresident.com www.grandpresident.com	Topaz Studio	2,050 (+1 ABF)
	Single/Double	
	Executive Studio	2,550 (+1 ABF)
	Single/Double	
<b>Business Inn</b> until further notice 155/4-5 Sukhumvit Soi 11 Road, Klongtoey Nua, Wattana, Bangkok 10110. Tel: +66 (2) 255 7155 Fax: +66 (2) 255 7159 e-mail: awbusinn@asiaaccess.net.th	Single Standard	600 (+ABF)
	Twin/Double Deluxe	700 (+ABF)
	Triple Deluxe	900 (+ABF)
<b>Landmark Bangkok Hotel</b> until Dec 31, 2006 138 Sukhumvit Road, Klongtoey Nua, Wattana, Bangkok 10110. Tel: +66 (2) 254 0404 Fax: +66 (2) 253 4259 e-mail: email@landmarkbangkok.com www.landmarkbangkok.com	Superior/Special Landmark Floor	
	Single Double	4,100 (+ABF) 4,300 (+ABF)
<b>President Solitaire</b> until further notice 75/23 Sukhumvit Soi 11 Road, Klongtoey Nua, Wattana, Bangkok 10110. Tel: +66 (2) 255 7200 Fax: +66 (2) 651 2294 e-mail: enquiry@presidentsolitaire.com www.presidentsolitaire.com	Executive Suite	
	Single Double	2,900 (+ ABF) 3,150 (+1 ABF)
	Premier Suite	
	Single Double	3,300 (+ABF) 3,550 (+1 ABF)
<b>Sofitel Central Plaza Bangkok Hotel</b> <sup>1</sup> until Oct 31, 2006 1695 Phaholyothin Road, Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900. Tel: +66 (2) 541 1234 Fax: +66 (2) 541 1087 e-mail: centel@chr.co.th www.centralhotelsresorts.com	Superior Room	
	Single Double	3,814 (+ABF) 4,237 (+ABF)
	Single/Double	3,390 (room only)
<b>Swiss Park Hotel</b> until Dec 31, 2006 155/23 Sukhumvit Soi 11 Road, Klongtoey Nua, Wattana, Bangkok 10110. Tel: +66 (2) 254 0228 - 9 Fax: +66 (2) 254 0378 e-mail: swisshot@asiaaccess.net.th	Superior Room	
	Single Double	1,200 (+ABF) 1,400 (+ABF)
	Executive Room	
	Single Double	1,500 (+ABF) 1,600 (+ABF)

<sup>1</sup> Within walking distance from the ICAO Regional Office

<i>Hotel</i>	<i>Room type</i>	<i>Net Price in Baht</i>
<b>Westin Grande Sukhumvit Hotel</b> until Dec 31, 2006 259 Sukhumvit Road, Klongtoey Nua, Wattana, Bangkok 10110. Tel: +66 (2) 207 8000 Fax: +66 (2) 255 2441 e-mail: bangkok@westin.com www.westin.com	Deluxe Room Single/Double	US\$ 147.12 (room only)

*Note.— The net price given includes all taxes and service charges. To be assured of receiving the ICAO discount, please inform the hotel while making reservation that you are attending an ICAO meeting. Hotel rates are subject to change without notice.*

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