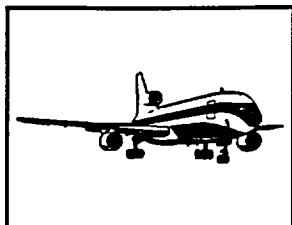


TELEPHONE

Internal telephone facilities are excellent, as are connections to most countries in the world. *The Singapore direct dial code is 65 for the whole country.*



TRANSPORTATION

Singapore has a highly-developed transportation network. It is connected by both rail and road with West Malaysia via the Johore causeway. The Island of Singapore has a system of well-paved roads and a subway system known as the MRT (Mass Rapid Transit). Changi Airport is served by 58 international airlines. In 1992, it handled 18 million passengers. Neither of Canada's two flag carriers currently serve Singapore, but *Singapore Airlines offers flights to Changi from Vancouver.* There is an airport departure tax of S\$5 for passengers flying to Malaysia, S\$15 for any other destination.

Visiting Canadians require a visitors visa, obtainable free of charge upon arrival. This visa is normally granted for two-week period, unless longer periods are requested. If travelling on, ensure that your passport is valid for at least six months.

The Port of Singapore is among the three busiest in the world in terms of shipping tonnage, including containerized cargo. It is also one of the most efficient. The container port terminals have a capacity of about nine million twenty-foot equivalent units (TEU). A new terminal with 50 berths and a capacity of 36 million TEUs is being built over a 30-year period.

Motor vehicle traffic drives on the left. Taxis are plentiful and the fares reasonable. The flag rate is S\$2.40, which covers the first one and a half kilometres. The 20-kilometre ride from the airport to the city centre is about \$15, which includes a S\$3 airport surcharge.

AUTOMATIC BANK MACHINES

Canadians can use Singapore automatic bank machines to get cash from their bank accounts (not account balances) *if the personal identification number uses only numbers, not a combination of numbers and symbols or numbers and letters.*