

Carrier Liaison Program

August 9, 2023

Hungary ESTA Reduction

- The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in consultation with the U.S. Department of State (State), has reduced the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) validity period for travel by citizens and nationals of Hungary under the Visa Waiver Program (VWP) to the United States from two years from the date of issuance to one year.
- This change went into effect on August 1, 2023.
- This reduction in ESTA validity will only affect new ESTA applications received after the effective date and is not retroactive.
- Hungarian citizens and nationals who received an approved ESTA prior to August 1, 2023, will not be affected.

If you have a question on boarding a traveler, it should be directed to the appropriate Regional Carrier Liaison Group (RCLG), Immigration Advisory Program (IAP) Officer or Joint Security Program (JSP) Officer.