The EES...

Entry/Exit System (EES)







- automatic registration of non-EU nationals each time they cross a Schengen external border
- gradual reduction in waiting times at passport control
- simplification and automation of border procedures

...applies* to

- non-EU nationals travelling for a short stay of up to 90 days within a 180-day period
- → visa-required travellers
- → visa-exempt travellers





- travel document
- facial image and/or fingerprints



...records** the

- date and place of entry into and exit from a European country using the EES
- refusals of entry, if this is the case



* Some exceptions apply.

** Data collection and recording will be gradually introduced at border crossing points from 12 October 2025, with full implementation by 10 April 2026.

The traveller must present their travel documents to the border guard and...

... also provide their biometric data (facial image and fingerprints) which is registered in the EES





The border guard checks the traveller's information, asks questions, and digitally records the entry in the EES



The traveller benefits from a smoother and more efficient border





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