

# MacDougall Drive 2025

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## 1. USA to MX

Go to KM21. \$1 = 20.38 peso

Start VPN use

[https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1UCIKr61MZ3Th2W-eyh5N04EBRkJGI6k&g\\_ep=CAESCjExLjExMy4xMDIYACDdYioJLDQ3MDc1OTE1QgJVUw%3D%3D&shorturl=1&ll=31.16264474923771%2C-110.95384893032039&z=19](https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1UCIKr61MZ3Th2W-eyh5N04EBRkJGI6k&g_ep=CAESCjExLjExMy4xMDIYACDdYioJLDQ3MDc1OTE1QgJVUw%3D%3D&shorturl=1&ll=31.16264474923771%2C-110.95384893032039&z=19)

- **Documents you will need:** (bring 3 black & white copies of each of these with you!)
- **#1 Passport / [passport card](#)** - must be valid during the entire time you will be in Mexico. Mexico does not require 6+ months expiration date. Those with [green card](#) need to present both. Your passport name must match your registration / title.
- **#2 Vehicle registration** - must be in your name or presented with a marriage or birth certificate showing it's a spouse or child's vehicle. It is not possible to take a non-family member vehicle.  
If you are traveling alone, but have a registration / title that has 2 names on it (spouse) then you need to bring your marriage license or a notarized letter stating you can bring this vehicle to Mexico. Ideally you have both! This has been an issue for solo travelers and they are denied a TIP. Every customs agent works differently, so the be prepared with all the supporting paperwork.
- **#3 Two black & white printed pictures of drivers side VIN / GVWR sticker** - If your vehicle registration does not list the GVWR weight # of your vehicle then Banjercito will want pictures of your door jamb sticker. Even if yours does, bring these to be safe. Open your drivers door and you will find this sticker on the frame of the vehicle. <https://www.claritycarwashing.com/blog/how-to-read-information-from-door-jamb-sticker>
- **#4 Original vehicle title** - must be in your name or documents proving you are related. No non-family member vehicles allowed anymore. If you have a vehicle lien (loan), you must have a notarized travel release letter from your lender.  
I've been asked for this document several times, other times no. I have my original title and copies with me, but only show these documents if asked. Every customs agent works differently...so be prepared. [The law states](#) you need either your registration or a title. If you don't have a title with you, state that if asked.  
If you are involved in an accident or in a situation where your vehicle is impounded, you will probably need a title to prove ownership to get your vehicle back. If you chose to not bring your original title with you, then have a photocopy or a phone image of this document atleast.
- **#5 Drivers license** - must be valid for the time you are in Mexico. Mexico does **NOT** require an International Drivers License.
- **#6 Insurance** - your US or Canadian policy will **NOT** cover you. [Baja Bound](#) insurance has decades of experience and satisfied customers. You might not be asked for this, but you need it! If you get into accident without Mexican insurance, you may be taken to jail and your vehicle may be confiscated. You may have a US/Canada policy that says it's valid in Mexico, but if you are involved in an accident, you need local Spanish-speaking representation and help on your side. At times agents can and do ask for proof of insurance, so be prepared!
- In addition to your vehicle TIP, you will need your [personal paperwork](#). Your travel document is called a [FMM](#) (Forma Migratoria Multiple) - tourist card. When you cross by land, Mexico issues paper FMM forms, but they are changing to a [passport stamps](#). Your FMM can be valid for up to 180 days per Mexican law. This is at the discretion of the agent. Explain to the agent you wish for 180 days, before the agent fills out that number out! You might need evidence of your lodging plans. You can NOT extend your FMM while in Mexico, you must leave Mexico.

You need for FMM

**Original passport**

(No need for photocopies of anything)

Pay only with card, keep your receipt otherwise they can ask you to pay if you can not show proof of pay for the tourist permit when you return your card when exiting

**617 pesos. Get Receipt (Boleto)**

For the TIP

Copy of and original of your tourist card (owner/importer of the vehicle) Pl eachace to make copies there for 5 pesos

Copy and original of registration

Copy and original passport ( owner/importer of the vehicle)

973 pesos ( paid with credit cards visa

Have photo of VIN number from door.

TVIP:

-Passport (original & copy)

-Registration (original & copy)

-FMM exit portion (original & copy- copy here after stamped by officials)

Fees:

\$55.08US for visa

\$200US for vehicle if 2007 or older, \$400US if newer than 2007