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Risk awareness sample answers – Qatar

The below answers have been created as example answers for the risk awareness form. These answers are not exhaustive, but give an idea of the level of detailed needed. Your own answers should be suited to your host county and personal circumstances. Remember to refer to the guidance notes for further help when completing the risk awareness form.

Personal security

If I need to contact the emergency services in Qatar I should call 999. I can also get emergency help for a serious situation from the UK government through the UK embassy.

As a woman, I should be cautious when travelling alone, especially at night. I should only use registered taxis and travel with someone I know where possible

I should follow the news if I am worried about a political situation, and I will stay away from large crowds or demonstrations. If I find myself in a situation I am uncomfortable with, I will find the nearest safe exit from the area.

I will also be observant in public spaces for anything that could be terrorist activity and follow local guidance if I don't know what to do.

Transport

I'm not planning on driving whilst in Qatar, but I am aware that road safety is an issue. I know that there are often high speeds on roads and accidents are more common in the country than in the UK.

I will only use registered taxis if I have to travel, and will pay close attention to the traffic if I am walking near a busy road.

As advised, I will not walk alone at night, to minimise the risk of harm.

Culture

As a woman, I should consider what clothes I wear in public, especially in religious spaces to comply with local customs.

I will research when religious festivals and events are happening, and consider what I can photograph as I know some sites are considered sensitive.

As it's illegal to drink alcohol or be drunk in public, I will be careful of how much I drink, though I know I am allowed to drink on licensed premises.