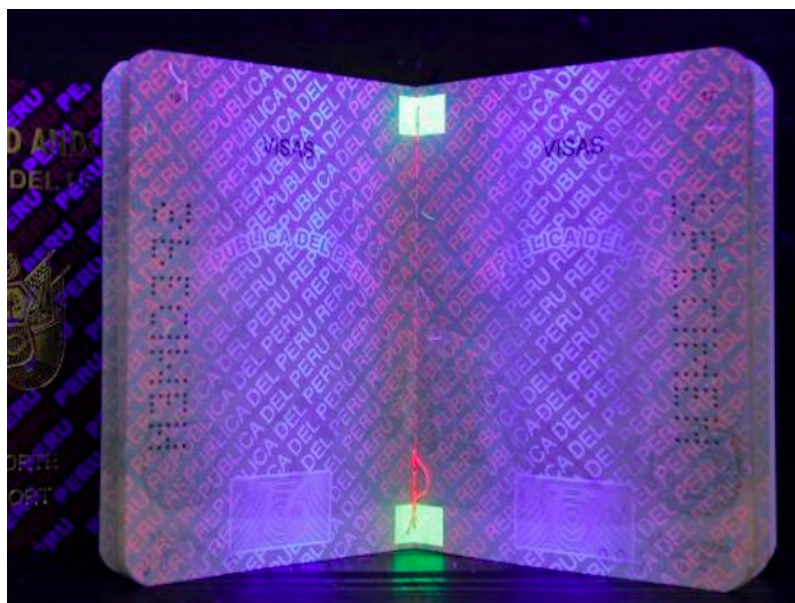


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Peruvian passport selected as best in Latin America

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Peru's new electronic passport was selected as the best in Latin America because it offers its citizens **superior security when traveling abroad**.

Peru won the award at the 'High Security Printing Latino America Conference' on June 21, in Mexico.

The company *Reconnaissance* organized the event – Reconnaissance crowns the best tickets, electronic passports, ID cards, visas and other documents annually.

The Peruvian passport has a **microchip** that contains a citizen's biometric information.

In addition the passport **features 88 security measures**, 35 that are visible to the naked eye, 34 that can only be seen under ultraviolet light, and 19 that can only be seen with a microscope or infrared lighting.

The **holograms** on the biometric passport are equally high-tech – They are only visible under ultraviolet light and include very small text that can only be read with special lenses.

Another aspect that stands out about Peru's passport is the price, **S/ 98.50 (US \$29), which is the**

lowest of Latin America.

Adult passports are valid for five years, while children's (12 or below) need to be renewed every three years.

As reported by *Peru21*, "For Peru it is a great pleasure to receive this recognition, [which is a] product of effort, dedication and sustained work to have a secure travel document and that it allows us to travel the world safely," said Boris Potozén, a representative from the National Superintendence of Migration.

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