



USEFUL INFORMATION

Time Zone

Belgrade and Serbia are located in the Central European time zone region: GMT +1 and/or GMT +2 as of the last week in the third month (March) until the Saturday prior to the last week of the tenth month (October).

Language

People in Serbia speak Serbian and use both Cyrillic and Latin alphabets for writing. Foreign languages, especially English, are taught in the schools, and many people should be able to communicate in English, but also in Russian, German or French.

Currency

The official and only legal currency in Serbia is Dinar, abbreviated RSD. Banknotes are issued in denominations of 10/20/50/100/200/500/1000/2000/5000, coins have valid 1/2/5/10/20 RSD. All major world currencies (in cash) are accepted for exchange in banks and in a number of authorized exchange offices. Middle exchange rate (November 5, 2016) is approx. 1 EUR = 123 RSD. The current exchange rate may be checked on the website of the [National Bank of Serbia](http://www.nbs.rs) (<http://www.nbs.rs>). Travelers checks are acceptable for cashing in the banks, and credit cards are getting widely accepted as well. Yet, the cash is still preferred for usual payments in some shops, restaurants, etc.

Electricity

The AC electricity voltage in Belgrade (and in Serbia) is 220V. Electrical outlets are standard European.

Water

Tap water in Belgrade is safe to drink.

Telephone

The area code for Serbia in international traffic is 381. The area code for Belgrade in national traffic is 011. To call Belgrade from abroad please dial the appropriate international code, e.g. 00 (or +), then dial the area code for Serbia 381 and the area code for Belgrade (without the initial digit 0), i.e. dial +381-11, then the telephone number in Belgrade. To call a foreign country from Belgrade, please dial the international code 00 (or +), then the country area code, the city area code (without 0) and, finally, the telephone number of the subscriber.

Important Telephone Numbers (dial first +381-11):

Police – 192; Fire-fighters – 193; Ambulance – 194; Time – 195; AMSS road assistance – 1987

Transport in Belgrade: <http://www.beograd.rs/en/living-in-belgrade/201500-transport/>

Public transportation

Belgrade city public transport is provided through a network of bus, trolleybus and tram routes run by GSP "Beograd" and bus services operated by private bus companies, on around 130 routes.

Single tickets can be bought in public transport vehicles, from the driver, and cost 150 RSD (or approx. 1.2 Euros).

Electronic tickets (e-tickets) are available as well by BusPlus system and can be bought at newspapers kiosks marked with a ticket sales sticker. Non-personalized smart card (not issued to passenger's name) are most comfortable for tourists. Empty non-personalized smart card costs 250 RSD (approx. 2 Euros), is valid for 3 years, and could be charged (at newspapers kiosks). One e-ticket costs 89 RSD (approx. 0.7 Euros) and lasts for 90 minutes. Empty paper non-personalized smart card costs 40 RSD (approx. 0.3 Euros), is valid for 1, 3 or 5 days, and could be charged with a daily ticket (250 RSD – approx. 2 Euros), 3-day ticket (700 RSD - approx. 5.7 Euros) and 5-day ticket (1000 RSD - approx. 8.1 Euros). E-tickets should be validated on machines installed in all vehicles.

During nighttime (from midnight to 04:00) busses run at 1-hour intervals and from special stops. Tickets are ONLY available in the bus and cost 150 RSD (1.2 Euros).

More details about transportation and other tourist information you can find at the official site of the Tourist Organization Belgrade: <http://www.tob.rs/en/index.php>



Taxi

Taxi services in Belgrade are provided by cars of varying colors, but they must all carry a **city taxi sign** on the roof as well as the designation of their taxi company (licence plates of taxi vehicles ends with letters TX).

The passenger is only required to pay for taxi services according to the current price list and to the amount indicated by the taxi meter at the end of the route. Negotiating a price for taxi services, where the taxi meter is not switched on, is not recommended, especially at the airport.

Taxi rates (in RSD)

Service (prices in RSD)	Tariff 1 (06:00-22:00)	Tariff 2 (22:00-06:00, Weekdays and Holidays)	Tariff 3 (Outside City)
Start	170	170	170
Price Per km	65	85	130
Waiting Per Hour	750	750	750



At the airport the official taxi service exists (at the arrival terminal) where the voucher with fixed price (1800 RSD or about 15 Euros from airport to location at city center) can be bought. More details about transportation from/to airport can be found at <http://www.beg.aero/en/strana/8871/from-belgrade-airport>

Bus from/to airport (line 72)

Route: Belgrade "Nikola Tesla" Airport – “Zeleni venac” Square (Belgrade City) - 04:50 until 00:00 hours; departs every 20-30 minutes

Route: “Zeleni venac” Square (Belgrade City) – Belgrade "Nikola Tesla" Airport - 04:00 until 23:40 hours; departs every 20-30 minutes

Approximate travel time: 45 minutes depending on the traffic

Public parking

Parking in Belgrade is organized according to zones with a time limit but also zones without a time limit (usually marked by the blue color) exist enabling drivers to pay for the parking as many hours as they wish. Parking is charged per hour or by buying a several hours parking ticket. Parking in the first time limit zone (marked by the color red), is allowed for a period of one hour. Parking in the second zone (yellow/orange zone) is allowed for a period of up to two hours, but after first hour it has to activate the process again. Parking in the third zone (green zone), is allowed for a period of up to three hours (also, separated in one-hour units). After the parking time expires, the client cannot park the car in the same time limit zone in the next 30 minutes.

Parking may be paid at the machine on the spot at a number of parking spaces. Parking may be paid by cell phone: type an SMS with the number of the car license plate (without space) and send it to 9111 for an hour parking in the first zone, 9112 for an hour parking in the second zone, 9113 for an hour parking in the third zone, 9119 for an hour parking in zone with no time limits and 9118 for a daily parking in zone with no time limits, within the working hours of the street park.

For more information on parking see <http://parking-servis.co.rs/eng/>

We wish you pleasant stay in Belgrade during NEUREL 2016