Welcome to Los Alamos National Laboratory. We hope this guide will make your visit more enjoyable.

General Information

HOURS  Offices are staffed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

SECURITY  Admission to security areas (shown as dark green on the Area 3 map) is restricted to cleared or escorted persons on official business and requires advance notice and approval. Arrangements should be made with your host's office 14 days in advance of your visit. All visitors must wear a visitor's badge, and unclesared visitors must be escorted while in security areas. People under age 18 are not permitted in Laboratory areas unless they are on an approved tour.

TAXIS  Independent Taxi Service (662-4319) provides round-the-clock transportation throughout Los Alamos and White Rock—and to Santa Fe and Albuquerque, if desired. Government taxi service (667-5307) is available free for official Laboratory visitors from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on a limited basis from 4:30 to 11 p.m. All travel must be approved by the host group. On request, taxicab meet Ross flights at the Los Alamos airport and pick up Ross passengers at the Santa Fe or Albuquerque airports when flights to Los Alamos are diverted or canceled.

AIRLINES  Ross Aviation is the only commercial carrier that flies to and from Los Alamos. For flight information, refer to the Airline Guide or call Ross Aviation, Inc., at (505) 242-2811 (Albuquerque) or 667-4521 (Los Alamos). Official visitors should have their host make their reservations.

RENTAL CARS AND BUS SERVICE  Rental cars are available in Los Alamos, Santa Fe, and Albuquerque. Shuttle bus service (Shuttlejack, 982-2811, and Greyhound, 471-0008) is available from the Albuquerque airport to Santa Fe. Limited bus service from Santa Fe to Los Alamos is offered by Sierra Stage Lines (982-3550). A nonprofit community transportation system (Los Alamos Bus System, Inc.) serves the Laboratory, White Rock, and the Los Alamos townsite. Route information and schedules are available at the J. Robert Oppenheimer Study Center (TA-3, SM-207) or at the Los Alamos and White Rock public libraries. For more information call the Chamber of Commerce (662-8105).

PARKING  Automobile parking is unrestricted except where posted otherwise. Please observe these restrictions. Violators are fined.

ACCOMMODATIONS  There are three motels in Los Alamos County: Hill Top House (662-2441), Los Alamos Inn (662-7211), and White Rock Motor Lodge (672-3838).

CAFETERIA  The Laboratory's main cafeteria is located on the top floor of the Otowi Building (TA-3, SM-261). It is open to employees and visitors from 7 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Dial 7-MENU for the daily menu. There is also hot food service at TA-16, 53, and 55.

CLIMATE  At an elevation of 7,300 feet, Los Alamos enjoys a semi-arid and mountain climate. At this altitude the air is thinner and the sunshine stronger than at sea level. Visitors who are not acclimated to these conditions should take proper precautions. Those new to higher elevations should also realize that one alcoholic drink at this altitude has the effect of two at sea level. The area receives about 18 inches of precipitation yearly. Summer temperatures range from the eighties during the day to the fifties at night; winter temperatures range from the fifties to the teens.

TELEPHONES  Laboratory telephones have the prefix 667 or 665. When dialing a Laboratory number from a Laboratory phone, dial only 7 or 5 and the last four digits. To dial Los Alamos, White Rock, or Santa Fe numbers from a Laboratory phone, dial the access code 9 and seven digits.

DAILY EVENTS  Laboratory news and events are announced on UPDATE, a daily recorded message (667-6622).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  For information on community services and nearby attractions, consult the Chamber of Commerce (662-8105).

Laboratory Buildings of Special Interest

BRADBURY SCIENCE MUSEUM (TA-3, SM-200) has informative hands-on displays of Laboratory programs. It is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. The museum is closed on Laboratory holidays. Call 667-4444 for information.

CLINTON P. ANDERSON MESON PHYSICS FACILITY (TA-53, MPF-1) (LAMPF) is a unique one-half-mile-long linear proton accelerator. An international research staff conducts experiments in nuclear physics, particle physics, nuclear chemistry, isotope production, and many other fields of advanced science. Call 667-7396 for information.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Laboratory Operator 667-5061

(Dial 0 from Laboratory phones)

Department of Energy 667-5105

Housing Office 667-1276

Government Taxi 667-5307

Laboratory Security 667-4673

Department of Energy Security (Pro Force) 667-4437

UPDATE 667-6622

Visitors' Reception Center 667-0936

Fire, Ambulance, and Police 9-911

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The area code for New Mexico is 505.