



War and Risk List updated on 3 April 2012

The War and Risk list from Europæiske Rejseforsikring has been changed. A complete updated list follows the remarks below. Find additional in-depth information on www.vip-online.com

Changes are made for: Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger

Mali

The War Zone is expanded. Status for Mali is now:

Mali	War Zone	Whole country
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Burkina Faso

The north of the country is upgraded to Risk Zone. Status for Burkina Faso is now:

Burkina Faso	Risk Zone	Regions Centre-Nord, Nord and Sahal; Mali border areas.
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Niger

The Risk Zone is expanded. Status for Niger is now:

Niger	Risk Zone	All areas north of Niamey
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Reason for the re-assessment

The crisis in central West Africa

Open conflict, drought, refugees and increasing political tensions beset several countries in the central part of West Africa. The conflicts here are local and regional as well as systemic and concrete – the fall of Gaddafi in Libya and the lack of foods have contributed in particular. We offer a quick overview with an emphasis on travel security.

Mali

A new insurgency among the Tuareg in the north and east has increased in intensity since the beginning of the year. Previously these areas were only partly under Bamako's control, and the Tuareg have rebelled before. The intensity is what is different this time around, and is mainly due to the fact that many of the rebels are mercenaries who served Gaddafi, and who have now returned carrying large stocks of arms.

Travellers should stay updated most regularly. Conditions vary a lot locally, in a temporal and spatial sense both: The situation is volatile. The northern parts of Mali are affected by actual fighting and are very dangerous. In the wake of the coup several normal societal functions have ceased, and a shortage of basic goods is setting in, including foods. Renewed unrest and violence in Bamako seems likely.

Burkina Faso

Travellers to the north should note and be mindful of the increased risk spawned by spill-over effects from Mali. The risk of armed robbery, kidnapping and other kinds of serious crime is very high, and like Mali it seems probable that the AQiM is active in area. Travel in the rest of Burkina Faso also requires attention given to local conditions. If possible avoid security forces, military barracks and police. The only good news is that this is a local conflict not targeting foreigners per se.

Niger

Developments in Mali have also spilled into Niger although the effects here are mutual as Tuareg fighters formally employed by Gaddafi have transited through Niger and used the country as a rear base area too. Large parts of Niger have for long been destabilised by the civil war in Chad, which also has links to the good colonel in Tripoli.

Like Mali, Niger is a country with limited resources, and the penetration by well trained and heavily armed partisans has been more than the country's own security forces have been able to handle, even with some support from French Special Forces. France (not Iraq) gets a lot of its uranium from Niger.

In practical terms most of Niger should be considered a high risk destination at this point. As with Mali travellers need to take significant local variations into consideration. AQiM is known to operate in Niger for certain and has kidnapped westerners in the capital in broad daylight.

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About the War and Risk list

Europæiske Rejseforsikring's War and Risk list represents Europæiske's evaluations of travel security around the world and is changed as security events dictate. We have a dedicated team of Risk Consultants who are responsible for keeping the War and Risk list updated. This list is published in Danish and English.

Please feel free to call or write us if you have questions or comments to the War and Risk list, or if you need more information about conflicts and travel safety.

Furthermore, if you have questions concerning the changes made in the War and Risk list or if you would like more information about Voyager Information Portal, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Afghanistan	War Zone	All but Kabul city
	Risk Zone	Kabul city
Algeria	Risk Zone	Whole country
Angola	Risk Zone	Cabinda enclave (not including off-shore)
Azerbaijan	Risk Zone	Nagorno-Karabakh
Bangladesh	Risk Zone	Chittagong Hills Tracts
Burkina Faso	Risk Zone	Regions Centre-Nord, Nord and Sahal; Mali border areas.
Burundi	War Zone	Provinces Cibitoke, Bubanza and Bujumbura except the capital proper
	Risk Zone	Rest of country
Cambodia	Risk Zone	Border region with Thailand
Central African Republic	War Zone	Prefectures Haute-Kotto, Vakaga, Haute-Mbomou, Bamingui-Bangoran, Ouhan, Ouhan-Pandé, Nana-Mambéré, Haute-Sangha and Sangha. Remaining borders with Chad and Sudan
	Risk Zone	Rest of country except the capital proper
Chad	War Zone	Whole country, except the capital
	Risk Zone	Capital
Colombia	Risk Zone	Whole country
Congo-Brazzaville	Risk Zone	Pool region (including Brazzaville proper)
Congo-Democratic Republic of	War Zone	Whole country
Ecuador	Risk Zone	Border with Colombia
Eritrea	Risk Zone	Border area with Sudan and border with Ethiopia
Ethiopia	Risk Zone	Somali Region & Gambella Region. All Border areas to a depth of 50 kms. incl. Danakil Desert
	War Zone	Break-away republics South Ossetia and Abkhazia and their borders with rump Georgia to a depth of 25 kms.
Georgia	Risk Zone	Areas along the border with Russia to a depth of 25 km.
	War Zone	Guinee Forestiere region and the Cote d'Ivoire border.
Guinea	Risk Zone	Guinee Forestiere region and the Cote d'Ivoire border.
Guinea-Bissau	Risk Zone	Areas along the border with Senegal.
Haiti	War Zone	Whole country

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India	War Zone	Jammu and Kashmir, within 100 km from the border with Pakistan
	Risk Zone	Assam, Manipur, Nagaland and Tripura. Bhutan border. Immediate border with Burma and Bangladesh
Indonesia	Risk Zone	Central Sulawesi, Ambon, Aceh and Papua
Iraq	War Zone	Border areas of Kurdish region (Dohuk, Erbil and As-Sulamanniyya provinces). Rest of country
	Risk Zone	Kurdish region (Dohuk, Erbil and As-Sulamanniyya provinces) except for external border areas of the region
Israel	War Zone	Gaza
	Risk Zone	West Bank, Jerusalem proper and the Golan heights. Internal (1967) borders between Israel, the Gaza Strip and West Bank plus the borders with Egypt, Lebanon and Syria.
Ivory Coast (Cote d' Ivoire)	Risk Zone	Areas north of the former "Zone du Confiance" and the regions Bas Sassandra, Montagnes and Moyen Cavally.
Kenya	Risk Zone	Slum areas of Nairobi as well as the areas immediately to the west and north of the city. Somali border to a depth of 100km and the coastal areas from Lamu northwards to the Somalia border.
Kyrgyzstan	Risk Zone	Provinces Batken, Jalal-Abad and Osh
Laos	Risk Zone	The Northern Province of Xieng Khouang and in the Saisomboun Special economic zone
Lebanon	Risk Zone	Area between the Israeli border and the Litani River as well as the Bekaa Valley. Urban areas and all UNRWA refugee camps unless otherwise specified
Liberia	Risk Zone	Whole Country
Libya	War Zone	Rest of country
	Risk Zone	Tripoli proper
Mali	War Zone	Whole country

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Mexico	Risk Zone	US border states of Baja California, Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo León and Tamaulipas, and rural areas of Durango and Zacatecas as well as remote rural Guerrero State.
Myanmar (Burma)	Risk Zone	Karen, Kayah and Shan states, Karchin and Sagaing states at the border with India to a distance of 75 km
Niger	Risk Zone	All areas north of Niamey
Nigeria	War Zone	Rivers State except Port Harcourt proper
	Risk Zone	Rump Niger Delta including Port Harcourt; States of Borno, Kano, Kanduna, Lagos, Ondo, Plateau and Yobe. Niger Border
Pakistan	War Zone	Kashmir at Line of Control out to 50km and Federally Administered Tribal Areas. Entire provinces of Baluchistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
	Risk Zone	Rest of country
Panama	Risk Zone	Darién Province
Peru	Risk Zone	Cuzco and Ayacucho departments, and the valleys of the Ene, Apurimac and Huallaga rivers and Colombian border
Philippines	War Zone	Jolo Group
	Risk Zone	Mindanao, Basilan and rump Sulu Archipelago
Russia	War Zone	Chechnya, Ingushetia, Dagestan and North Ossetia
Rwanda	Risk Zone	Dem. Republic of Congo and Burundi borders
Saudi Arabia	Risk Zone	Border area with Yemen
Serbia	Risk Zone	Kosovo: "Severno Kosovo" and town of Mitrovica
Sierra Leone	Risk Zone	Border areas
Somalia	War Zone	Entire country except autonomous area of Somaliland
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Sri Lanka	Risk Zone	North Province
Sudan	War Zone	Darfur Provinces, South Kordofan and further border areas between North- and South Sudan.
	Risk Zone	Rest of country except Khartoum proper
Syria	War Zone	Whole country
Tajikistan	Risk Zone	Districts of Garm and Tavildera as well as all areas east hereof. All borders to a depth of 30 kms.
Thailand	Risk Zone	Burma and Cambodia borders; extreme southern provinces Pattani, Yala, Narathiwat and Songkhla

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Tunisia	Risk Zone	Areas bordering Algeria
Turkey	Risk Zone	Provinces at Iraqi/Iranian border (Van, Hakkâri and Sirnak) and south-eastern provinces Tuncelli, Bingöl and Diyarbakir
Uganda	War Zone	The Northeastern districts of Kapchorwa, Katakwi, Kotido, Moroto and Nakapiripirit. Immediate borders with DR Congo and Sudan, except urban areas.
	Risk Zone	The rest of North Province and Nile Province.
Uzbekistan	Risk Zone	Extreme east, Fergana Valley and Namangan-Adjian region
Venezuela	Risk Zone	Colombian border to within 50 km
Yemen	War Zone	Whole country
Zambia	Risk Zone	Border with Dem. Republic of Congo (DRC)