

**Annual US Treaty Consultation Meeting**  
**Alofi, Niue Island**  
**05<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> March 2010**

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PRACTICAL INFORMATION FOR NIUE

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**Alofi, Niue Island**

Background information about Niue Island, including maps and weather details are available at [www.niueisland.com](http://www.niueisland.com)

**Travel – International**

Air New Zealand services Niue with weekly flights from Auckland. Approximate flight time from Auckland is 3.2 hours. Niue's International airport, Hanan is less than 10 minutes away from the main town Alofi.

**Meeting Venue**

The meeting venue for this year's Annual US Treaty Consultation's will be at the **Millenium Hall** in Alofi which was also the venue for the 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Forum Fisheries Committee Meeting held in May, 2009. The venue does have additional break out rooms, should you wish to utilise these please do contact us in advance so that we may secure their availability.

**Communications**

There will be a limited number of computers which will be made available at the main meeting venue with access to the internet for your use. In addition, Wifi will be available inside the main conference room. Internet access is also available at select accommodation properties and by various access points around the island. You may register your laptop for NZD\$25.00 which will allow you internet access by WiFi.

**Electricity**

240 volts, 10amp, 3 pin plug as used in New Zealand.

**Accommodation**

The Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries would like to advise all participants to make your accommodation arrangements directly with your choice of accommodation. A full list of available accommodation is provided in **Attachment A** and additional information as well as online booking and payments may be sourced from [www.niueisland.com](http://www.niueisland.com). It is recommended that reservations be made as soon as possible. The Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries shall not be responsible for securing any reservations for your delegation.

Should you have made alternative arrangements in regards to accommodation for the duration of your stay please do inform the Niue Fisheries Division on Email: [fisheries3@mail.gov.nu](mailto:fisheries3@mail.gov.nu) and provide them with contact details of your hosts.

Online booking arrangements and payment are also available on [www.niueisland.com](http://www.niueisland.com) should you prefer to utilise this option.

**Airport Transfers**

The Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries will be providing airport transfers for all participants. A complimentary airport transfer is also offered by some accommodation providers.

## **Transportation**

The Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries will be providing transportation services from your accommodation to the meeting venue and back as well as for any official functions, however this service will not be available outside of official meeting hours. We do encourage you however to take the opportunity and hire either a vehicle or motorbike for your transportation needs. Please obtain a Niue's driver's license from the Niue Police for NZD\$11.30. You will need to present a valid national or international drivers license. Driving is on the left and a speed limit of 40km/hr within villages and 60km/hr on open roads applies.

## **Rental Service Providers:**

**Alofi Rentals:** Pao, Alofi South, open Mon-Fri 8am-4pm and Saturday 9am – 12pm. Email [alofirentals@niue.nu](mailto:alofirentals@niue.nu) or Ph: 683 4017.

**Drive Away Rentals:** Located at Crazy Uga Cafe email [sarah@niue.nu](mailto:sarah@niue.nu) or ph: 683 4092

**Georgia's Rentals:** Huihui, Alofi South, open Mon-Fri 8am – 4pm email [georgiasrentals@niue.nu](mailto:georgiasrentals@niue.nu) or Ph: 683 4037

**Heahea Rentals:** Fonukula, Alofi South, open Mon-Fri 8am-4pm email [carrentals@niue.nu](mailto:carrentals@niue.nu) ph: 683 4153/4317

**Niue Rentals:** Omahi, Alofi North, open Mon-Fri 8am-4pm email [niuerentals@niue.nu](mailto:niuerentals@niue.nu) Ph: 683 4216

## **Banking**

There is only one bank on Niue Island which is the Bank of the South Pacific. The following forms of payment are accepted: all legal bank notes, international credit Cards – Visa only, and traveller's checks. Charges for cash advances is NZD\$12 with an additional 3.5% fee. For identification purposes you must present your passport before a transaction is to be approved. There is no ATM available.

Bank opening hours as follows:

Monday – Thursday: 9am – 3pm

Friday : 8:30am – 3pm

Saturday – Sunday: Closed

Currency used in Niue is the New Zealand dollar.

## **Exchange Rates**

Indicative exchange rates are available at [www.xe.com](http://www.xe.com) [The Universal Currency Converter](#).

## **Niue Fook Hospital**

Located at Kaimiti, Alofi, Clinic hours Mon – Fri 8am – 4pm, Sat, Sun and Public Holidays 9am-10am & 7pm-8pm. Charges for health services will apply to visitors.

## **Visa for Niue Island**

Visa's are not required for all foreign nationals staying less than 30 days with return tickets and sufficient funds for length of stay. Visa's may be required for New Zealand. Please check with your respective offices for confirmation. The departure tax is NZD\$34.00

## Customs

Each visitor to Niue 18 years and over may bring in 3 x 1125ml bottles of spirits or 3 x 1125ml bottles of wine or 3 x 1125ml bottles of liqueur or a combination of the above provided that it does not exceed 3.5 litres; or 8 litres of beer and 1 x carton of cigarettes or 250gms of tobacco.

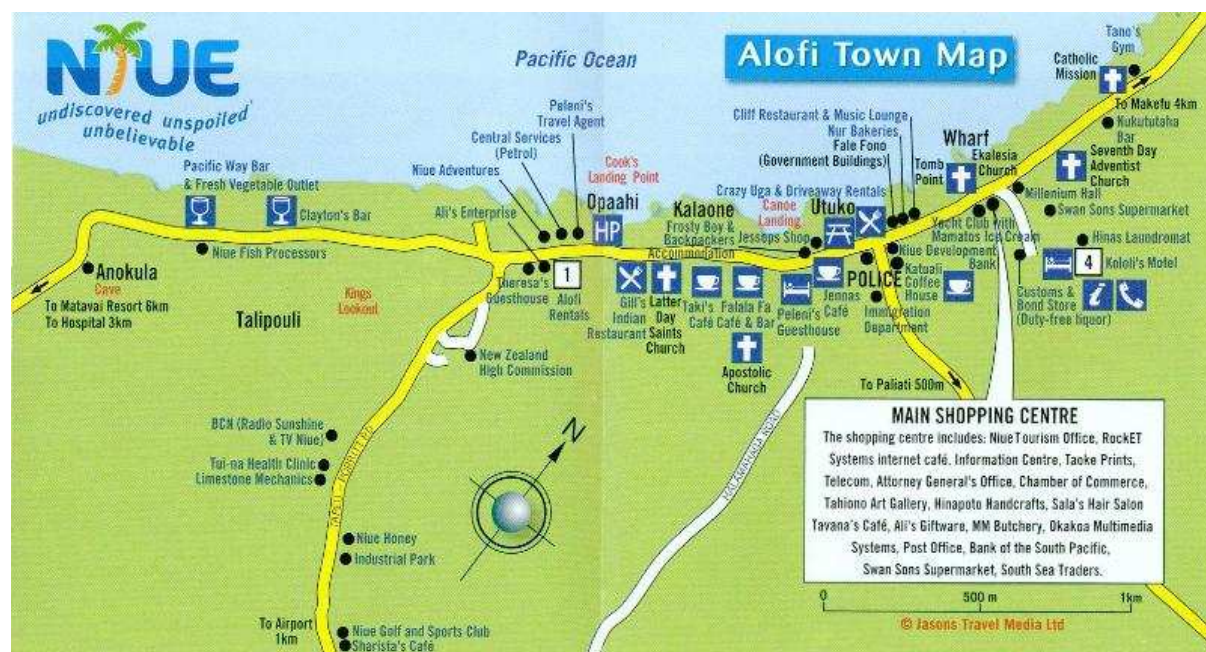
## Climate

Niue is a tropical island, warm during the day with a pleasant drop in temperature at night. Like all South Pacific tropical islands, Niue has two seasons. The dry season is from May to August and the wet season from October – February.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Ave Max	30	30	30	29	28	27	27	27	27	28	28	29
Ave Min	23	23	23	22	21	20	20	19	19	20	21	22

## Shopping

Stores are located in Alofi and stock a reasonable range of groceries, frozen goods and hardware. Most shops are open from 9am to 4pm, Monday to Friday and Saturday's 4pm-7:30pm.



**Markets**

The market runs twice weekly on Tuesday and Friday morning in the village of Alofi from 6am. Fresh produce – fruit and vegetables and traditionally cooked food are available. Handcrafts are also sold at the market.

**Dining**

There are a number of restaurants, cafe' which are open offering a range of items available on their menus. A full list will be presented to you upon your arrival into Niue for your perusal.

**Contact Point**

For additional information please contact the Niue Fisheries Division:

Email: [fisheries3@mail.gov.nu](mailto:fisheries3@mail.gov.nu) or Ph: + 683 4302