# **Accommodation of Foreign Minors in Brazil (Without Parents)**

This document outlines the mandatory documentation required for **foreign minors traveling from the United States, Europe, or Mexico** who will stay in a hotel in Brazil **without the presence of their parents or legal guardians**, in accordance with Brazilian law (Child and Adolescent Statute – ECA).

#### 1. Identification Document

• Valid **passport** of the minor.

#### 2. Parental Authorization Letter

A written authorization signed by **both parents or legal guardians**, containing: - Minor's full name, date of birth, and passport number - Parents' or legal guardians' full names and identification details - Name and city of the hotel - Exact check-in and check-out dates - Clear statement authorizing the minor to stay at the hotel **without the parents** (or identifying the accompanying adult, if applicable) - Parents' or legal guardians' signatures

### 3. Authentication of the Authorization (Mandatory)

As the United States, European countries, and Mexico are signatories to the **Hague Apostille Convention**, the authorization must follow the steps below:

#### **United States**

- Authorization notarized by a U.S. Notary Public
- **Hague Apostille** issued in the United States

## **Europe**

- Authorization notarized by a local notary
- Hague Apostille issued in the country of origin

### Mexico

- Authorization notarized by a Mexican notary
- Hague Apostille issued in Mexico

Consular legalization is not required for these countries.

### 4. Certified Translation

• If the authorization is issued in a language other than Portuguese, a **certified (sworn) translation into Portuguese** is strongly recommended and frequently required by Brazilian hotels.

## 5. Additional Supporting Documents (May Be Requested)

- Copy of the parents' or legal guardians' passports or identification documents
- Emergency contact information
- Contact details of a responsible adult in Brazil, if applicable

### **Important Notice**

Brazilian hotels may adopt **internal policies more restrictive than the minimum legal requirements**. All documentation should be submitted to the hotel **in advance for validation** to ensure a smooth check-in process.