



Instructions to make telephone calls into, out of, and within Mexico

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Making a phone call in Canada or the USA is simple. Dial a ten-digit telephone number or add a 1 before the ten-digit number for long distance calls.

Mexico requires a number of dial codes to properly route a call. In Mexico, cellular phones have their own dialing prefix, and this prefix changes whether the call is local or long distance. Calls to local landlines do not require the area code when dialing. The following is a list that I prepared for use in our household; feel free to print it for your own use.

Land-line phone calls within Mexico

- Land-line to *local* land-line: Dial the seven-digit number (xxx-xxxx). *This is expected to change later in 2016 when 911 will become the official emergency number to call.* When that happens, all ten-digits will have to be dialed (xxx-xxx-xxxx).
- Land-line to *long distance* land-line: Dial 01 and the ten-digit number (01-xxx-xxx-xxxx)
- Land-line to *local* cell phone: Dial 044 and the ten-digit number (044-xxx-xxx-xxxx)
- Land-line to *long distance* cell phone: Dial 045 and the ten-digit number (045-xxx-xxx-xxxx)

Cell phone calls within Mexico

- Cell phone to local or long distance land-line: Dial the ten-digit number (xxx-xxx-xxxx)
- Cell phone to *local* or *long distance* cell phone: Dial the ten-digit number (xxx-xxx-xxxx)

Calling from the US or Canada

- Dialing to a Mexican land-line phone: Dial 011-52 and the ten-digit number (011-52-xxx-xxx-xxxx)
- Dialing to a Mexican *cell* phone: Dial 011-52-1 and the ten-digit number (011-52-1-xxx-xxx-xxx)

Calling from Mexico to a US or Canadian phone

- Dial 001 and the ten-digit number (001-xxx-xxx-xxxx)

Calling from Mexico to other countries

- Dial 00 and the Country Code and phone number (for example, for Spain: 00-34-xxx-xxx-xxxx)

Calling from Mexico to US or Canadian toll-free numbers

- For 800 numbers: Dial 001-880 and the seven-digit number
- For 866 numbers: Dial 001-883 and the seven-digit number
- For 877 numbers: Dial 001-882 and the seven-digit number
- For 888 numbers: Dial 001-881 and the seven-digit number