



The National Ramah Tikvah Network and Amazing Israel are pleased to announce our first-ever Birthright Israel trip. This free 10-day Israel trip is open to current members of any of our Ramah Tikvah programs as well as to alumni. Applicants must be ages 18-29 and have never participated in a Birthright Israel trip. Tentative dates are December 18-29, 2017. ***The information below will help explain the step by step process of applying for the Birthright Israel trip.*** This trip builds on Ramah's distinguished, pioneering history of bringing members of the Tikvah community to Israel.

Ramah Tikvah Registration Summary **Process For Registration**

1. Potential applicants should use the early sign up form using this link in order to get priority registration status: <http://bit.ly/AmazingIsraelRamahTikvah>
2. Make a note of this important date—September 5, 2017. General registration opens for winter trips on September 5, 2017 at 10 am EST. You may complete your application at this time. Use the referral code **Ramah Tikvah**.
3. Applicants will be contacted to set up a Skype interview, which lasts approximately 30 minutes.
4. Applicants should upload their medical forms, including insurance policy and number, and passport copies by the due date. (We will share the due date when we have it.)
5. Once you receive your final acceptance, Please be in touch with **Jo Rothchild** joanna@rousttravel.com via email to let us know which flight to New York you are considering. Please do not book that flight until you receive confirmation from Jo at Amazing Israel." Tikvah staff will meet your child at his or her terminal and escort him/her to Terminal 4, the International Departures terminal. *Please note all domestic flights to JFK should arrive at least five hours before our El Al flight departs for Israel.*
6. Most participants will elect to return to the United States with the Tikvah staff at the end of the trip. If any participant is planning to stay in Israel to meet parents, siblings or other family members traveling to or living in Israel, here is information on extensions: <http://www.amazingisrael.com/pretrip-info/domestic-travel-and-flight-extensions/>
7. Consult the packing list, available here: <http://www.amazingisrael.com/pretrip-info/packing-list/>



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8. Consult the trip insurance information here:
<http://www.amazingisrael.com/pretrip-info/insurance/>
9. As the trip gets closer, we will provide a link to our Facebook Group. This will allow participants who have Facebook to begin to connect with other participants.
10. Feel free to check out sample trip itineraries here:
<http://www.amazingisrael.com/pretrip-info/sample-itineraries/>
11. One week before the trip, you will receive an email confirmation about the trip. You MUST respond to this email, indicating that you plan to attend. You will then receive (if a weekend or holiday then a few days before this) a “JET PLANE update” by email with all of your departure information.

Other FAQ information can be found via our website at <http://www.amazingisrael.com> or contact us via [email](#).

Feel free to contact Howard Blas, National Ramah Tikvah Director, with additional questions:
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