

## Communicating Outside of The United States

## Good-bye AT\&T and Verizon

■ Your local options won't work outside of the United States

- Different carriers
- Different platforms
- Different price plans
- Phone or Ipad can be modified to a foreign carrier by changing the sim card


## Best Short Term Choice.....

■ Phone card
■ Inexpensive
■ Costs run as low as 3.9 cents per minute
■ Usually 99 cent surcharge for using a payphone

- Can be ordered and re-filled online

■ WWW,speedypin.com

## Ipad Options

- Similar to telephone
- USA carriers will not work
- Requires a change in Sim card
- Best choices
- Internet café
- Starbucks
- Other local hot spots


## AT\&T Data Options

- DATA PACKAGESUsing Data Outside the U.S.Sign up for an affordable data package for your smartphone, laptop or tablet before you travel abroad. Packages provide discounted data rates in more than 120 countries.Package/Pay-Per-Use Rates Details

■ Data Global Add-On Packages

- A monthly data allotment for smartphones, laptops and tablets available when traveling in over 120 countries.* Check email, download maps, make reservations and more.
- Monthly Data Allowance in Overl20 Countries* Other Countries

■ \$24.99 $50 \mathrm{MBOverage}: \$ 10 / 10 \mathrm{MB} \quad$ \$.0195/KB

- \$49.99 125 MBOverage: \$10/10 MB \$.0195/KB

■ \$99.99 275 MBOverage: $\$ 10 / 10 \mathrm{MB}$ \$.0195/KB

- \$199.99 800 MBOverage: \$10/10 MB \$.0195/KB


## Verizon Cruise Ship Rates

■ Cruise Ship Rates
■ Voice Roaming Rate:\$2.49 per minute
■ Text Messaging Rates: \$0.50/address sent\$0.05/message received

- Global DataMonthly
- \$30 for 50mb
- \$75 for 150 mb
- \$125 for 300mb
- Additional data is $\$ 5.12 \mathrm{mb}$


## What About Messaging?

- Messaging from Outside the U.S.Send a message to a wireless number when traveling outside the U.S., Puerto Rico, and U.S.V.I. with International Roaming Messaging.Package/Pay-Per-Use Rates Details
- Global Messaging Packages Send text, picture, video or instant messages while traveling in over 120 countries*
- Monthly Message Allowance (Messages Sent) PerMessage Overage
- Global Messaging 50

50(\$.20/msg.) \$0.40

- Global Messaging 200 200(\$.15/msg.) \$0.35
- Global Messaging 500 \$50 500(\$.10/msg.) \$0.25


## Using Your Laptop

■ Be sure you have appropriate adapters for foreign electrical outlets

■ Wi-fi is the best way to get connected
■ Check for hotel rates

- Many hotels may offer wi-fi at their business center


## Cruise Ship Options

- Telephone is "ship to shore" while at sea
- Rates can be as high as $\$ 3.75$ per minute or more
- Best bet is ship's internet service
- Princess Example
- $\$ 3.75$ one time set-up charge
- Packages of minutes
- 100 minutes $\$ 55$
- 150 minutes $\$ 75$
- 250 minutes $\$ 100$
- 500 minutes $\$ 175$
- "frequent travelers" offered some free minutes


## What IfYou're Staying a Long Time?

- Best to rent a local phone in the country you're visiting
- Costs between $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 7$ per day depending on length of stay
- Data cost is additional but would be comparable to what you are paying at home


## Some Cautions.

- When traveling outside of the United States TURN OFF YOUR DATA switch
- Data charges can run into the hundreds or even thousands of dollars due to roaming rates.
- AT\&T's roaming charges are:
- Canada
$\$ .59$ per minute
- Great Britain
$\$ .99$ per minute
- Australia
$\$ 1.29$ per minute
- Russia
\$3.99 per minute


## To Recap....

- Local phone access best with a rented local phone
- Long distance phone is best achieved with a calling card
- Internet access is best achieved with wi-fi
- Be sure to turn off data by setting your phone to "airplane" mode

