

# Visitor's Guide: Bureau of Engraving and Printing



The Bureau of Printing and Engraving (BEP) was established in 1862 and is responsible for the designing, printing, and engraving of U.S. currency. The BEP is a world leader in printing technology and produces secure documents for federal government agencies.



**What to Bring:** Our office will e-mail you a confirmation number, and you will need a photo ID.



**Location:** 14<sup>th</sup> and C Streets SW, Washington, DC 20228

**Arrival:** The main entrance is located on 14<sup>th</sup> St SW. A BEP employee is stationed by this door. Please give them your tour confirmation number.



**Nearest Metro:**

*Smithsonian Station—Blue/Orange Line, by way of Independence Avenue (12<sup>th</sup> Street & Independence Avenue SW)*



**Duration:** 45 minutes



**Prohibited Items:**

- Luggage or large suitcases
- Aerosol sprays
- Any pointed objects such as knitting needles
- Scissors, sharp metal nail files
- Sharp objects such as knives
- Razorblades
- Box cutters
- Guns
- Ammunition

- Fireworks
- Electric stun guns
- Mace or martial arts weapons/devices

**Accepted Items:**

- Cameras (with exception to the tour gallery)
- Water
- Backpacks
- Purses
- Extra Shoes
- Jackets
- Keys
- Wallets
- Umbrellas
- Strollers (though once in the facility they will be stored in a separate area)



**Dining Options:** The surrounding area is home to many dining options! The BEP does not have an option within its building.



**Gift Shop:** The tour ends in front of the BEP gift shop, which is open from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



**Accessibility:** This tour is accessible to people with mobility impairments.

Please visit <http://moneyfactory.gov/tours/washingtonctours.html> for more information, or call our D.C. Office at (202) 224-2651 and ask to speak with the Tour Coordinator.

Should you need immediate help with your BEP tour, while in D.C. please contact them directly at (202) 874-2330.