COVID-19:

SAFE TRAVEL GUIDANCE

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The Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommend delaying all travel until persons are <u>up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines</u>. While vaccination efforts are underway, *safe* travel is of utmost importance particularly because travel itself (especially the use of shared spaces in planes, buses, railways or boats) can increase a person's chance of spreading and/or becoming ill with COVID-19.

ALL TRAVELERS

- All travelers should follow <u>CDC Travel Guidance</u> for <u>Domestic Travel</u> and <u>International Travel</u>, as well as follow state and local guidance and CDC public health recommendations.
- Mask mandates are no longer enforced on public transportation conveyances and at transportation hubs; however, CDC continues to recommend that people aged 2 years and older wear masks in indoor public transportation settings.
- Non-US citizens need to show proof of vaccination before travel by air to the United States.
- Travelers no longer need to show a negative COVID-19 viral test or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 before boarding a flight to the United States.
- Do not travel if you are sick, tested positive for COVID-19 and haven't ended isolation, had close contact with a person with COVID-19 and haven't ended <u>quarantine</u>, or are waiting for the results of a COVID-19 test.
- If you test positive for COVID-19, do not travel for a full 10 days after your <u>symptoms</u> started or the date of your positive test was taken if you had no symptoms.
- All travelers should self-monitor for <u>symptoms</u> of COVID-19; isolate and get tested if you develop symptoms.
- Remember to social distance where possible, and frequently wash hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer (with at least 60% alcohol).

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TRAVELERS WHO ARE NOT UP TO DATE ON COVID-19 VACCINES

You are <u>up to date</u> with your COVID-19 vaccines when you have received all doses in the primary series and all boosters recommended for you, when eligible according to the recommended <u>schedule</u>. This guidance applies to anyone that does not meet this up to date criteria.

- Delay travel until you are <u>up to date</u> with your COVID-19 vaccines because getting vaccinated is still the best way to protect yourself from severe disease and slow the spread of COVID-19.
- If you had close contact with a person with COVID-19, do not travel until you have no symptoms and have received a negative test result on day 5 (or later) after your exposure.
- If you don't get tested, avoid travel until a full 10 days after your last close contact with a person with COVID-19.

CDC LINKS

- CDC Travel Planner by City, Zip Code or Address
- CDC Travel Map by Destination
- CDC Travel Guidance Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and Answers
- CDC Travel Guidance Infographics (English, Spanish, Vietnamese, etc.)

TRAVEL NOTICES AND ADVISORIES

- Global Travel Advisories by the U.S. Department of State (DOS)
- Travelers Prohibited from Entry to the United States (CDC)
- Arrival Restrictions by Department of Homeland Security (DHS)