

UK Travel Restrictions Update

Departing the UK

From today, 8 March 2021, the UK government has introduced a legal requirement for all passengers departing the UK to complete a [Travel Declaration Form](#) to state their reason for international travel.

Passengers must complete this form if they are travelling outside the UK from England. Different rules apply for international travel from Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

Arriving into the UK

For all passengers travelling to the UK, your customers **must** complete an [online passenger locator form](#) before arriving. Additionally, all passengers must provide proof of a negative coronavirus test dated within three days of departure.

Before they travel, your customers must also pre-book a coronavirus testing package comprising of two tests OR a hotel quarantine package if they are travelling from a [red list country](#). This cannot be done on arrival. [Please click here for more information](#).

On arrival into the UK customers will be required to **self-isolate for 10 days** [Find out more](#) .

We have recently partnered with [Qured](#) a UK Government-approved COVID-19 testing provider. British Airways customers and partners with a UK address can order and access discounted rate testing kits using code BATRAVEL15. Designed to be portable, customers can take the kits with them abroad, in preparation for their return journey to the UK.

Please remember that failing to comply with these measures is a criminal offence and your customers could be denied boarding or fined.

[Essential information for entering or returning to the UK including COVID-19 testing](#)

The UK, and many countries around the world, have introduced entry rules including COVID-19 testing.

If you are travelling, please check our COVID-19 testing page for the UK Government rules, exclusive discounted testing and further information.

[Check the rules and book your COVID-19 test](#)

If you have an existing booking, our book with confidence commitment gives you the flexibility to [change](#) or [cancel](#) your plans if you need to.

Travelling to and from the USA

The US Government has introduced new laws on COVID-19 testing and the wearing of face masks as you travel. Please check the latest [US entry requirements](#) before you travel.

Make your trip easier with the VeriFLY app

(App Available on selected routes only)

We've partnered with VeriFLY to give you the option to use a simple new tool to help make your trip to the US easier.

- Simply download the App to your [iOS or Android device](#)
- Create an account and add your flight details to see the requirements.
- You can upload your negative [COVID-19 test results](#), which must be issued within 72 hours of your departure time, and [your attestation](#).
- You'll receive a green check mark when you've met the requirements, which you can use to pass through the airport with ease.
- Look out for the dedicated VeriFLY check-in and fast track lane at Zone G at London Heathrow Terminal 5.

VeriFLY is a third-party travel readiness App, provided by Daon. Using this third-party service is optional. You'll be able to present a test certificate and completed attestation at check-in if you prefer. Please remember, it is your responsibility to check and observe all of the latest health and [entry requirements](#) applicable to your journey before you travel.

India entry requirements

You must follow the steps below otherwise you won't be allowed to board your flight

Entry requirements travelling to India:

1. Please log in to Manage My Booking 72 hours before your flight to complete your online passenger declaration and upload your COVID-19 negative test certificate, which must be taken 72 hours before departure. You may be denied boarding or entry to India if you fail to do this.
2. When you arrive into India, all customers will have to complete a PCR COVID-19 test which you will need to pay for. You will also need to follow the instructions for the relevant airport below:
3. - In Mumbai - All customers will need to pay for 7-day institutional quarantine. Customers will undergo a PCR Test on 7th day of institutional quarantine.
4. - In Delhi - All customers will be subject to a self-paid COVID-19 test on arrival and can leave the airport approximately seven hours later, after receiving the result. The PCR test can be paid for in advance. Customers must then quarantine at home for 14 days, regardless of the test result. Please carry a copy of the photo identification page of your passport and hand this over to authorities on arrival. Customers may be asked to undergo institutional quarantine based on contact tracing.
5. - In Hyderabad - All customers will be subject to a self-paid COVID-19 test on arrival and can leave the airport approximately seven hours later, after receiving the test result. Customers must complete up to four copies of the Government of India's self-declaration form during the flight. Customers must then quarantine at home for 14 days regardless of the test result and may be asked to undergo institutional quarantine based on contact tracing.
6. - In Bangalore – Customers must download the Apthamitra app and Quarantine Watch app to their smartphones before departure. All customers will be subject to a self-paid COVID-19 test on arrival and can leave the airport approximately seven hours later, after receiving the test result. Customers must then quarantine

at home for 14 days regardless of the test result and may be asked to undergo institutional quarantine based on contact tracing.

7. - Chennai – Customers must have a Tamilnadu e-Pass before travelling.
8. Customers travelling onwards on domestic flights from all airports, will be required to wait on arrival for their negative test report, before boarding their next flight. Please ensure you keep a minimum of 7-9 hours after arrival, to allow time for your test report to be available.
9. Please download the Government of India's Aarogya Setu COVID-19 app before your trip.

Travel eligibility

Only customers meeting the criteria below, can travel between India and the UK on a British Airways flight. Please make sure you qualify before travel:

Inbound flights to India:

Stranded Indian nationals.

- All Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholders and Person Of Indian Origin (PIO) cardholders, holding passports of any country may enter India. This is regardless of their passport or travel route.

- All foreign nationals, including their dependents who hold an appropriate visa, excluding those who hold a tourist visa

- All currently suspended visas are restored from 21 October 2020, except electronic visas, tourist visas and medical visas

- Foreign nationals travelling to India for emergency medical treatment may be granted a medical visa. You can find more information [here](#)

If you have a domestic connecting flight when arriving into India, you will need to have evidence of a negative PCR COVID-19 test, and have applied for quarantine exemption before you start your journey. This can be completed [here](#).

Outbound flights from India:

- Stranded UK nationals/residents, foreign nationals transiting through UK or spouses of these persons, whether accompanying or otherwise.
- Indian national holding any type of valid UK visa and destined UK only, Ireland and Cayman Islands.
- Seamen holding Indian passports would be allowed subject to clearance from the Ministry of Shipping.
- Please be aware that Indian Nationals can only travel from India to the UK, Ireland and Cayman Islands and not any further, unless their spouse is a foreign national or they are seaman travelling with authorised documentation.

Please check the entry requirements for your destination to ensure you can travel.