

# 2021 Coronavirus (COVID-19) Travel Information

## PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

We are excited that you are traveling with us! Our goal during this time is that you not only have a great travel experience, but you do it safely and responsibly in the fight against spreading COVID-19. Following the guidelines and good practices will help reduce your chances of either contracting COVID-19 or spreading COVID-19.

#### Flight Trips:

- The airline company may take each passenger's temperature prior to boarding to and from the destination.
- Passengers are required to wear protective masks for the entire time they are inside the aircraft.
- You also may be required by local law to wear a face covering in the airport where your trip begins, where it ends or where you connect.
- Please bring your own face covering to use while traveling. While limited quantities of face coverings may be available at the some of the gate, they will not be available for every customer on every flight.
- Be sure your face covering is on before you board the plane and wear it during your flight.
- Your face covering may be removed to eat or drink, but please put it back on when you are done. Keep in mind, a face covering can be a mask that covers your nose and mouth. Visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website for more information.
- Airline staff/crew will be wearing protective masks for the entire duration of the flight.
- It is recommended that all passengers wear protective gloves for the entire time they are inside the aircraft.
- Aircrafts will be thoroughly cleaned with disinfectants inside and out between flights, including all touch surfaces and air vents.
- Airline staff/crew will maintain alcohol-based hand sanitizer in aircraft lavatories and passenger compartments.
- Airline staff/crew are trained to screen passengers for symptoms during travel and to follow a strict protocol for isolating and separating any person exhibiting symptoms, from other passengers.
- TSA has reduced lanes or consolidated passenger screening checkpoint operations in numerous airports in response to the reduction in originating passenger volume. TSA may screen or quarantine passengers boarding or exiting planes: State, local, or territorial public health officials may want to screen or quarantine passengers. In most cases, this is likely to be acceptable if passengers are not being categorically refused access to air transportation (e.g., through unapproved blanket closures). Airlines may refuse transportation to a passenger because of a communicable disease if the passenger's condition poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others. Care must also be taken in coordinating with airport sponsors, airlines, TSA, airport law enforcement, and other entities on when, where, and how your government conducts this screening and quarantining, with a goal of minimizing burden and maximizing flexibility for operations. Effort also should be made to minimize undesirable queueing or the formation of large groups of passengers. Travelers are reminded to follow the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) travel and prevention guidance regarding COVID-19. This includes practicing good hygiene, such as washing your hands regularly. In addition to those CDC recommendations, travelers are encouraged to wash their hands directly before and after completing the security screening process. You may wear a facemask during the screening process, but a TSA officer may ask the traveler to adjust the face covering at any point during the screening process.
  - For the most up-to-date TSA COVID-19 Resources/Information, please visit TSA's website: https://www.tsa.gov/coronavirus
  - For the most up-to-date Airline COVID-19 Resources/Information, please visit your airline's website: American Airlines | Delta Airlines | JetBlue Airlines | Southwest Airlines | United Airlines
  - o For the most up-to-date COVID-19 Testing Requirements and Resources/Information, please visit the following website(s) for your destination:
    - Bahamas: https://travel.gov.bs/ and https://www.bahamas.com/tourism-reopening
    - Hawaii: https://hawaiicovid19.com/travel/getting-to-hawaii/ and https://www.gohawaii.com/travel-requirements
    - Cabo San Lucas: https://www.visitloscabos.travel/covid-19/covid-test/
    - Puerto Rico: https://www.discoverpuertorico.com/info/travel-guidelines

#### On-site Bus Transfers:

- The bus company may take each passenger's temperature prior to boarding to and from the hotel.
- Passengers are required to wear protective masks for the entire time they are inside the bus.
- Bus Operators will be wearing protective masks for the entire duration of the trip.
- It is recommended that all passengers wear protective gloves for the entire time they are inside the bus.
- Buses will be thoroughly cleaned with disinfectants inside and out between charters, including all touch surfaces and air vents and filters.
- Buses will maintain alcohol-based hand sanitizer in the motorcoach for passengers.
- Buses will also maintain sanitizing wipes, disposable tissues, and disinfecting spray in every motorcoach.
- Bus Operators are trained to screen passengers for symptoms during travel and to follow a strict protocol for isolating and separating any person exhibiting symptoms, from other passengers.

## **General Practices During Your Trip:**

- Wash your hands OFTEN, for at least 20 seconds!
- When soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Stay at least 6 feet away from others when possible! Space out those beach chairs!
- Wear your mask whenever you are in public!
- Cover coughs & sneezes If you do not have a tissue, cough, or sneeze into your elbow & immediately wash your hands!
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth!
- If you have a fever, cough or difficulty breathing, seek medical attention, and/or you must inform a GradWeek Staff Member IMMEDIATELY!
- Regularly clean hard surfaces.
- Keep your room clean!
- Drink only from your OWN cup DO NOT share drinks!
- Relax, be safe, and get ready for the best week of your life!

#### **Hotels:**

- Increasing frequency of cleaning using hospital-grade disinfectants on all high-touch surfaces and areas such as the lobby, guest rooms, common spaces, recreational areas, and public restrooms.
- Hotel staff trained on comprehensive COVID-19 protocols, detailing protection against the transmission of the virus and procedures in the case of a suspected or confirmed case.
- Hotel requires protective masks and other equipment to be worn by all hotel associates and may require all persons within the hotel's public spaces, including guests and associates.
- Placing hand sanitizer stations throughout our guest and employee areas and entrances.
- Implementing social distancing signage, guidance, and spacing of furniture in all their public areas.
- Implementing enhanced food safety and hygiene protocols for restaurant and bars and limiting seating in our gathering spaces.
- Sanitizing all guest room key cards prior to placing them back into circulation.
- Guests are responsible for requesting housing cleaning for their room throughout their stay. No hotel personnel will enter your room during your stay without your permission.
- Your room will be cleaned before your check-in.

## Release & Waiver

• Travelers will be required to sign a GradWeek Release Waiver and return it by email to the GradWeek office before their scheduled departure date! This is obviously a unique situation in our world's history. However, if we all do our part, act responsibly, and follow the guidelines, we can help reduce the spread of COVID-19 and keep us all healthy and safe!

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