



# Travel Information

## PASSPORTS AND VISAS

All travellers must have a valid passport for international travel. Many countries require at least six months validity from the date of return. Some countries require a machine-readable passport. When assisting with an international travel booking, we will assume that all travellers on the booking have a valid Australian passport. If this is not the case, you should let us know. Travel on a foreign passport may require a re-entry visa on return to Australia. It is your responsibility to ensure that you have valid passports, visas and re-entry permits which meet the requirements of immigration and other government authorities. Any fines, penalties, payments or expenditures incurred as a result of such documents not meeting the requirements of those authorities will be your sole responsibility (except to the extent caused by fault on our part).

If you need information regarding visas, passports and other travel document requirements for your trip, then upon request your Consultant can provide you with general information on visa and passport requirements that apply to international travel bookings you make with us on a complimentary basis. This advice is limited to general information as to standard requirements and is not to be construed as specific advice catering for any extraordinary circumstances that may apply to you. In any event, it is your sole responsibility to act upon the advice and make any requisite applications in a timely manner.

Our Consultants can also obtain more specific information from an external visa advisory service provider on your behalf and at your expense. We do not warrant the accuracy of information provided by any external service and accept no liability for any loss or damage which you may suffer in reliance on it (except to the extent caused by fault on our part).

We also recommend you check visa requirements on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's (DFAT) Smartraveller website <https://smartraveller.gov.au>. If any difficulties arise with your passports, visas and re-entry permits, it is your responsibility to inform us of such difficulties.

If you are travelling to the United States of America you will need to pre-register for the ESTA visa waiver program, as Australian passport holders will not be able to enter unless eligibility requirements are met.

## HEALTH PRECAUTIONS

Be aware that the Products that you book may involve activities that are more taxing to your health and expose you to more risk to your personal welfare than you are accustomed to. It is your responsibility to obtain medical advice prior to your booking that it is safe for you to undertake those activities and risks.

Please also be aware that some countries have much higher rates of infectious diseases prevalent in their community than in Australia and vaccination against those is recommended. In fact, some countries may deny entry unless you can prove that you have had the relevant vaccination.

We recommend you check health risks and vaccination requirements on DFAT's Smartraveller website <https://smartraveller.gov.au>.

## TRAVEL INSURANCE

We strongly recommend that you take out travel insurance to cover all of your travel arrangements. Travel insurance is also strongly recommended by DFAT.

We are an authorised representative of Cover-More Travel Insurance, SureSave and nib Travel. Product Disclosure Statements for travel insurance products are available from our place of business and you should refer to them before purchasing a policy. If you decline travel insurance, you may be required to sign a disclaimer.

Make sure your insurance covers all medical expenses for injury or illness, as well as theft of valuables, damage to baggage, and cancellations or interruptions to flight plans. Fully disclose any pre-existing medical conditions in writing.

Cruise passengers are strongly encouraged to ensure appropriate travel insurance is in place. Medicare benefits are only payable to cruise passengers travelling between two Australian ports who have been treated by a doctor who is registered to practice in Australia and is registered with a Medicare provider number. Medicare benefits are not payable for journeys between an Australian port and a foreign port, or between two foreign ports. Your travel insurance should cover you for a Medivac at sea circumstance if needed.

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If you plan to rely on the travel insurance provided by your credit card, we recommend that you obtain written confirmation of your coverage before travelling and ensure that you have the details of the policy clearly outlined in writing. You may be able to obtain travel insurance for yourself and your immediate family or travelling partner under the one policy. Refer to the relevant Product Disclosure Statement as cover varies from policy to policy. Make sure you confirm all details with your insurance provider and receive written confirmation of your policy.

If you extend the duration of your overseas travel, make sure you also extend your travel insurance policy.

### **GOVERNMENT TRAVEL ADVICE**

For information, safety alerts and specific travel advice, we advise you to visit DFAT's Smartraveller website <https://smartraveller.gov.au>.

### **FREQUENT FLYER AND LOYALTY PROGRAMS**

Please check your frequent flyer program (or other applicable loyalty program) for the specific terms of your membership. It may not be assured that you will be credited with points for your booking.

### **TRAVEL DOCUMENTS**

Travel documents may be subject to certain conditions and/or restrictions including (without limitation) being non-refundable, non-date-changeable and subject to cancellation and/or amendment fees. Travel documents cannot be transferred to another person to use. All airline tickets must be issued in the name of the passport/photo identity holder. An incorrect name on a booking may result in an inability to use that booking and the booking being cancelled. Please review your travel documentation carefully and advise us immediately of any errors in names, dates or timings.

### **SCHEDULE CHANGES**

We recommend that you confirm the departure times of any booked services at least 24 hours prior to travel.

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