



Pre-Travel Checklist

Just a few things to keep in mind before you travel.

Your Passport and Other Important Documents

- Make sure your passport is valid for a minimum of six months from the expected return date, otherwise you may be refused boarding on departure and entry on arrival to your travel destination.
- Carry additional copies of your passport photo page in case you need a replacement while on overseas travel.
- If you plan to hire a car, you will need to obtain an international driver's license via Service NSW prior to your departure. Ensure you notify your travel insurer if you will be driving a motor vehicle abroad. The insurance premium you purchase needs to cover any claim excesses applied by the hire company and for any injury to persons travelling in the vehicle. The government website Smartraveller can provide further information <https://www.smartraveller.gov.au/before-you-go/getting-around/road-safety#insurance>
- Make sure you provide us with emergency contact details.
- Make sure you check all your prearranged travel arrangements and documentation.
- Leaving a copy of your itinerary behind with family or friends is recommended.
- Make sure you advise your credit company of your traveling to ensure you will be able to access your funds and use your debit or credit card while you're on vacation. Telling your bank, you are going abroad can help prevent your card from being declined or blocked while you're travelling.

Visa and Entry Requirements

- Check and obtain any visas required for your destination at the time of booking. Visit <https://visalink.com.au> to check information. It is important to also check the latest travel requirements on www.smartraveller.gov.au for country specific health and safety advice.
- It is always important to check for travel warnings and requirements for your destination before travelling on websites like - Smartraveller / Government websites and airline websites that you are flying with.
- Requirements can change regularly, so be sure to check before you travel and whilst you are away, so you are not caught by surprise.

Travel Insurance

- It is highly recommended that you have comprehensive travel insurance for the full duration of your trip which is arranged before paying the first deposit to cover any unforeseen cancellations prior to travel commencing. Seek advice and check the policy to see what you are covered for whilst traveling as you may need to increase your premium for coverage of any pre-existing. Check with your credit provider to see if they offer insurance and visit Smartraveller for more information.

<https://www.smartraveller.gov.au/before-you-go/the-basics/insurance>

Research your destination.

- Research your destination before you travel to prepare you for the cultural experience. Familiarise yourself with the local currency and the local laws.

Vaccination Information and information while travelling with prescription medication.

- Visit your doctor and obtain any vaccinations prior to travel – you may want to investigate this at least 6 weeks prior to your trip to ensure optimal immunity.
- If you usually take medications, check with your doctor/s to ensure your prescriptions are both in date and filled sufficiently prior to departure (making sure you have enough to last a little longer than the duration of your trip).
- Check with your doctor if there are any laws or regulations about bringing your medications onto the airplane or into foreign countries. You will need to bring all your prescriptions and a letter from your GP with you whilst travelling with medications. The Smartraveller government website can assist with all your travelling with medication needs <https://www.smartraveller.gov.au/before-you-go/health/medications>
- You may need proof of your COVID-19 vaccination whilst traveling. Make sure you have downloaded your Covid International Certificate onto our phone or printed a copy to carry with you.

