No changes to travel corridor list

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People should check latest government advice before travelling.



- no countries removed or added to the list of travel corridors for England today
- all travellers urged to check the latest advice from the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) before travelling and will be required to fill in a <u>passenger locator form</u> before returning home
- the government will not hesitate to remove countries from the travel corridors list rapidly if the public health risk becomes too high

There will be no additions or removals to the <u>travel corridors list</u> today (3 September 2020).

Ministerial decisions around adding or removing countries from the list take into account a range of factors, including virus incidence rates, information on a country's testing capacity, an assessment of the quality of data available, effectiveness of the measures being deployed by a country to tackle the virus, and an estimate of the proportion of the population that is currently infectious in each country.

The government has made consistently clear it will take decisive action if necessary to contain the virus, including removing countries from the travel corridors list rapidly if the public health risk of people returning from a particular country without self-isolating becomes too high. This means holidaymakers may find they need to <u>self-isolate on return to the UK</u> and are advised to consider the implications of self-isolation on them and their families before making travel plans.

Passengers who do not comply with the self-isolation measures can face penalties including fines of up to £1,000. The government continues to urge employers to be understanding of those returning from destinations and requiring the need to self-isolate.

Covid-19 has profoundly changed the nature of international travel.

Travellers should always check the latest <u>advice from the FCDO</u>, given the potential for changing coronavirus infection rates to affect both the advice about travelling to other countries and rules about self-isolation on return.

All travellers, including those from exempt destinations, will still be required to show a complete passenger locator form on arrival into the UK unless they fall into a small group of exemptions. If travellers refuse to provide their contact details, they could be fined up to £3,200.

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