



Information for international travellers

What are Australia's requirements for travellers?

Passengers and crew must wear a face mask while in the airport environment and during the flight. It is best to change masks often. Children under 12 years of age and those with other recognised exemptions do not need to wear a face mask.

What happens when I arrive in Australia?

You may undergo health screening on arrival in Australia.

You may be relocated from the airport or seaport to government approved accommodation for Australia's mandatory quarantine period, or be required to quarantine at home.

If you are a fully vaccinated Australian citizen or permanent resident, you may be eligible for modified quarantine arrangements. These arrangements can vary depending on quarantine requirements in the state or territory where you are arriving. Please follow the directions of government officials within the airport and provide evidence of your vaccination status when requested if you have been vaccinated.

You may have to contribute to the cost of quarantine and undertake a COVID-19 test while in quarantine. If you refuse testing, you may have to quarantine for a longer period.

Once you have completed the quarantine period, you can travel home in line with domestic travel arrangements in your state or territory.

When in quarantine, monitor yourself for symptoms including fever, cough, sore throat, tiredness, or shortness of breath. Other symptoms include chills, body aches, runny nose, and muscle pain.

New Zealand quarantine-free flight arrangements

If you have arrived in Australia from New Zealand on a quarantine-free flight, and have met all pre-departure conditions in New Zealand, you do not need to quarantine at your place of arrival (pending requirements of the state or territory of arrival). You should check the local state and territory requirements prior to any forward domestic travel.

What can I expect while in Australia?

Australia has strict rules to prevent the spread of COVID-19. You must maintain physical distancing and avoid close contact with others while in Australia. Please follow any signs outlining physical distancing requirements. Signs may be visible in places such as cafes and elevators. Throughout your stay in Australia, you may be required to wear a mask in line with state and territory requirements.

What do I do if I am sick right now?

If you have any symptoms of COVID-19, let a member of the airline or ship crew know now. If you are in the airport or seaport, tell a biosecurity officer or a health official now.

What do I do if I get sick while in quarantine in Australia?

If you become unwell, you must:

- tell a state or territory health official
- stay in your accommodation and isolate yourself from others
- put on a surgical mask. If you don't have one, cover your cough and sneeze

- wash your hands often with soap and water and use alcohol-based hand rub.

If you have serious symptoms such as trouble breathing, call 000 and ask for an ambulance

What do I do if I get sick while in Australia?

If you become sick and have symptoms including fever, cough, sore throat or tiredness, you must:

- visit a COVID-19 GP-led respiratory clinic. Go to www.health.gov.au for a clinic near you
- isolate yourself from others
- put on a surgical mask. If you don't have one, cover your cough and sneeze
- wash your hands often with soap and water and use alcohol-based hand rub

If you have serious symptoms such as trouble breathing, call 000 and ask for an ambulance.

How can I prevent the spread of coronavirus?

Practising good hand and sneeze/cough hygiene is the best defence against most viruses:

- wash your hands often with soap and water
- cover your cough and sneeze, dispose of tissues, and wash your hands
- avoid contact with others and stay more than 1.5 metres from people. Follow signs and floor markings within the airport or seaport, hotel, and in Australia to avoid close contact.

More information

For the latest advice, information, and resources go to www.health.gov.au

Call the National Coronavirus Help Line on 1800 020 080. The help line operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If you require translating or interpreting services, call 131 450.

The phone number of each state or territory public health agency is available at www.health.gov.au/state-territory-contacts