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Travel

Important Travel Advice Update

General COVID-19 Travel Advisory in Operation:

General advice is to avoid non-essential travel, other than to countries on the 'Green List' where the advice is to take normal precautions.

In accordance with Government policy, which is based on official public health advice, the Department of Foreign Affairs continues to advise against non-essential travel overseas (including to Great Britain but not to Northern Ireland), other than to countries on the 'green list' where the 'normal precautions' security status rating will apply. The [request to restrict their movements](#) does not apply to individuals arriving into Ireland from countries on the 'green list.'

On 15 September, the Government agreed that, for the period ahead, this 'green list' will be updated on a weekly basis, to include EU / EEA countries with a 14 day cumulative number of COVID-19 case per 100,000 of 25 or less, based on the latest data from the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC). Updates are being made on the basis of data each Thursday, with changes taking effect from the following Monday.

The updated 'green' (normal precautions) list outlined below is based on ECDC data on Thursday 24 September, and takes effect from Monday 28 September. Until then, the earlier list continues to apply.

'Green' (Normal Precautions) List (effective from Monday 28 September)

- [Cyprus](#)*
- [Finland](#)*
- [Latvia](#)*
- [Liechtenstein](#)

'Green' (Normal Precautions) List (remains in effect until midnight on Sunday 27 September)

- [Cyprus](#)*
- [Finland](#)*
- [Germany](#)*
- [Iceland](#)*
- [Latvia](#)*
- [Lithuania](#)*
- [Poland](#)

Inclusion on the list does not imply the absence of any restrictions on arrivals in those countries. **Citizens considering travel to countries marked with an asterisk above * should note**

that quarantine, testing or other restrictions are currently in place for arrivals from other jurisdictions, including Ireland. The situation will continue to evolve quickly. Citizens who are considering travel to particular locations are advised to monitor news and information from the public authorities in their destination.

The latest updates will always be uploaded first to this General COVID-19 Travel Advisory. Country-specific tabs will be updated subsequently, and as quickly as possible, but this advisory is the primary source of information for the latest version of the list.

If you are considering travelling outside of Ireland:

Irish citizens travelling to countries with a 'normal precautions' ("green") rating are advised to follow the public health guidelines of the local health authorities and to continue to practice physical distancing measures, hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette etc. Citizens who are considering travel to these countries are also advised to monitor news and information from the public authorities in their chosen destination. This includes information regarding possible restrictions on arrival from abroad, including from Ireland. The security rating for all other countries remains unchanged at either 'avoid non-essential travel' ("orange") or 'do not travel' ("red").

The purpose of the Department's Travel Advice is to provide information to the general public so that individuals can make informed decisions for themselves. There continue to be significant risks associated with international travel in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and this will remain the case for the foreseeable future. Citizens should be aware of the possible limitations to any consular assistance that could be provided. Any citizens who are considering travel abroad, or those already abroad, are advised to monitor closely our travel advice, and to download our [TravelWise App](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#). They are also advised to register with their local Irish Embassy or Consulate and regularly check their website and Twitter accounts for details of any local public health measures and travel restrictions.

Should you decide that you need to travel, you should inform yourself about any requirements in place in the destination to which you are travelling. Testing and restrictions may be imposed or may already be in place in other countries. Flight restrictions and route cancellations continue to occur worldwide and there is no guarantee that air routes will operate as scheduled. It is important to check with your insurance provider on coverage at this time.

Where additional restrictions apply within Ireland, these are listed on the [Official website of the Irish Government](#).

Information about what to do on entering Ireland from abroad:

All passengers arriving into Ireland from overseas are obliged to complete a [COVID-19 Passenger Locator Form](#) before entry. For further details please see the [Irish Government Advice Page](#).

Where to go for further travel information:

- [DFA Travel Advice for over 200 countries](#)
- [Download the TravelWise App](#)
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[EU Consular Protection Directive](#)

[Citizens of European Union member states travelling outside of the EU can approach any embassy or consulate from another EU member state to seek assistance, if their country of origin does not have representation.](#)

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[Assistance Abroad](#)

[If something goes wrong when you're travelling abroad and you need help, you can contact us at your local Irish Embassy or Consulate or call us at the Consular Assistance Unit.](#)

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