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Health Alert - U.S. Embassy London, United Kingdom

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Health Alert - U.S. Embassy London, United Kingdom (May 26, 2020)

Location: United Kingdom

Event: Health Alert

U.S. Embassy London will be sending a regular update to ensure all U.S. citizens in the United Kingdom have the latest information about COVID-19 and local conditions. Updated information will be prefaced with **(NEW)**. If different or additional information would be useful, please email us with your suggestions at SCSLondon@state.gov.

(NEW)UK to Impose 14-Day Self-Isolation for New Arrivals

From June 8, 2020, individuals arriving in the UK must self-isolate for 14 days and may be contacted by UK authorities to verify compliance. New arrivals will be required to provide UK officials with contact and travel information upon arrival. Anyone failing to complete the information form or adhere to the new policy may be denied entry to the UK or be subject to fines.

For complete details, please visit: https://www.gov.uk/uk-border-control.

Commercial Flights Still Available from UK to USA

The U.S. government does not anticipate arranging repatriation flights from the UK at this time. U.S. citizens in the UK who wish to return to the United States should make commercial flight arrangements or be prepared to remain in the UK for an indefinite period.

Commercial flights are still available from multiple UK airports connecting to London Heathrow for direct flights to the United States. Trains from Scotland to London are also still available; however, this may change at any moment. Please check the airport and rail websites for the latest information:

- London Heathrow
- Belfast City Airport
- Aberdeen Airport
- Edinburgh Airport
- Glasgow Airport
- Scotrail
- National Rail

Guidance for Travelers

The Department of State encourages all U.S. citizens to enroll in Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) to receive security and health updates.

The U.S. Mission to the United Kingdom has suspended routine consular services. For emergency American Citizens Services, including emergency passports, please visit our website for additional information at https://uk.usembassy.gov/.

The Department of State has issued a Global Level 4 Health Advisory for COVID-19.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has issued a Global COVID-19 Pandemic Notice advising travelers to avoid non-essential travel.

Airline staff may deny boarding to passengers exhibiting potential COVID-19 symptoms. Passengers who are denied boarding will be directed to an airport self-isolation room where they may make quarantine arrangements before departing the airport. Each terminal should have a designated self-isolation room. Travelers exhibiting symptoms will be required to arrange their own transportation and accommodations for the quarantine period.

Please visit: https://www.heathrow.com/customer-support/fag/coronavirus-covid-19 for more airport information and a detailed FAQ section.

Actions to Take

- Consult the CDC website for the most up-to-date information.
- For the most recent information on what you can do to reduce your risk of contracting COVID-19, please see the CDC's latest recommendations.
- Visit the COVID-19 crisis page on travel.state.gov for the latest information.

- Have a plan to depart the UK that does not rely on U.S. government assistance. The U.S. government does not anticipate arranging repatriation flights from the UK at this time.
- Check with your airlines, cruise lines, or travel operators regarding any updated information about your travel plans and/or restrictions.
- Visit our updated Embassy webpage on COVID-19 for information on conditions in the United Kingdom.
- Visit the Department of Homeland Security's website on the latest travel restrictions to the United States.

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United Kingdom Country Information

Enroll in Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) to receive security updates.

**During the COVID-19 event, the unsubscribe feature to STEP is not available.

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