



## DESTINATION BC COVID PREPAREDNESS FOR US TRAVELLERS TO CANADA

We are pleased to welcome back our valued neighbours! **Effective August 9, 2021, Canada will allow entry to fully vaccinated American citizens and permanent residents (currently residing in the US) for leisure travel.** If you meet the entry criteria, fully vaccinated travellers do not have to quarantine upon arrival to Canada. *We encourage all travellers to be fully informed of the pre-entry and on-arrival public health and testing requirements both federally and provincially.* This includes the mandatory use of the **ArriveCAN app**. Travellers should plan for extra time in the lead up, and upon the arrival of their trip. For the latest information on travel to Canada including the updated federal requirements and restrictions, please visit the Government of Canada website: <https://travel.gc.ca/>.

### ENTRY INFORMATION:

To qualify for the fully vaccinated traveller exemption, you must:

- Be eligible to enter Canada on the specific date you enter
- Have no signs or symptoms of COVID-19
- Have received the full series of an accepted COVID-19 vaccine or a combination of accepted vaccines
- Have received their last dose at least 14 days prior to the day you enter Canada

Example: if your last dose was anytime on Thursday July 1st, then Friday July 16th would be the first day that you meet the 14 day condition STATUS UPDATE Effective August 9, 2021, Canada will allow entry to fully vaccinated American citizens and permanent residents (currently residing in the US) for leisure travel. If they meet the entry criteria, fully vaccinated travellers do not have to quarantine upon arrival to Canada.

- Upload proof of vaccination in ArriveCAN: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19/arrivecan.html>
- Meet all other entry requirements (for example, pre-entry test)

For detailed information, including the steps you should follow before your trip, please visit the Government of Canada website: <https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/covid-vaccinated-travellers-entering-canada#entry-vaccinated>

### Know Before You Go:

COVID-19 protocols and restrictions looked different for many in the US, and we aim to help our American neighbours understand what rules, recommendations and expectations are in place in BC to keep them, our residents, and our businesses safe. Refer people to Destination BC's Know Before You Go page for the latest information: <https://www.hellobc.com/know-before-you-go>. Travellers are encouraged to reference Destination BC's "Know Before You Go" page for information on the latest travel restrictions, what's open and more: <https://www.hellobc.com/how-to-travel-safely-and-responsibly>.

- Many places may still require physical distancing measures, or ask that you wear a mask. Please respect the wishes of the businesses you visit.
- Consult official information resources such as [Drive BC](#) and the [BC Wildfire Service](#).
- Due to the volumes of guests arriving this summer and the lack of staff, many local businesses are experiencing challenges and are operating at reduced hours. Please be aware of these challenges when booking restaurant and activity reservations.

