

Welcome to Greece!

In the following paragraphs, we provide a step-by-step guide on how to prepare before travelling to Greece. These guidelines are in place to ensure the protection of your health, as well as the health of your loved ones and all those involved in offering you a safe hospitality experience.

### **Before arrival**

All travelers must complete their PLF (Passenger Locator Form) before entering the country, providing detailed information on their point of departure, the duration of previous stays in other countries, and the address of their stay while in Greece. In case of multiple stays, they are required to provide the address for the first 24 hours at least. One PLF should be submitted per family.

The official portal of the Hellenic Republic to complete the required PLF is:  
[travel.gov.gr](https://travel.gov.gr)

Travelers will receive a confirmation email upon submission of the form, with their unique Quick Response (QR) code (the QR code will be provided in a link in the confirmation email).

Prior to departure, all travelers must ensure that they carry an acceptable form of certification of their health condition. Acceptable documents include:

- Negative PCR certificate from a testing laboratory, for a Covid-19 test taken no later than 72 hours before arrival
- Negative antigen (rapid) certificate taken no longer than 48 hours before arrival.
- Vaccination certificate issued by a certified authority (14 days must have elapsed since the last vaccination, depending on the doses required)
- A certificate of recovery from the SARS-CoV-2 virus infection issued by a public authority or a certified laboratory with proof that the traveler was tested positive with COVID-19 in the past 30 to 180 days. This can be proved either by presenting a positive PCR molecular or an antigen test result performed by an authorized laboratory or a medical certificate confirming that the holder was tested positive with SARS-CoV-2 virus infection.

*Acceptable vaccines are: Pfizer BioNtech, Moderna, Astra Zeneca/Oxford, Novavax, Johnson + Johnson/Janssen, Sinovac Biotech, Gamaleya (Sputnik), Cansino Biologics, Sinopharm among others.*

*All certificates must include the critical information (i.e., number of doses and their respective dates) in English, German French, Italian, Spanish, Russian and the person's full name must match the name on the passport or any other recognized travel document.*

### **Upon arrival:**

Arrival of travelers at the arrival gate.

Transfer to the area where screening personnel are located and check the unique quick response (QR) code each passenger shows on their mobile phone screen or printed QR form.

Sampling RAPID antigen tests at the entrance gates for selected flights drawn from a targeted sampling system, based on the "EVA" system.

Head to passport control and baggage claim directly without sample testing, or following testing (upon a negative result)

Following a positive result, travelers are required to self-isolate. In this case, the travelers and their travel companions are accommodated in quarantine hotels, where they will undergo further PCR testing to confirm the initial diagnosis. Guests will stay in seclusion hotels for a maximum of 10 days. The expenses of the accommodation in quarantine hotels are covered by the Greek state.

All passengers must comply with all the necessary preventive hygiene measures (use of masks and physical distancing).

### **While in Greece:**

As of 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021, the following regulations are in place in Greece:

- There is no countrywide nighttime curfew in effect. Certain regions with active COVID-19 outbreaks may implement a nighttime curfew.
- The use of non-medical face masks is no longer mandatory outdoors whereas everyone is strongly advised to wear face masks indoors and outside where there are crowds.
- Masks are required while using public transportation and taxis. Taxis are limited to three passengers, except for minor children.

- Entry to public services, banks and shopping malls as well as restaurants, cafes and bars (both indoors and outside), hair salons, retail shops, entertainment facilities, museums and archaeological sites is only available for fully vaccinated with a vaccination certificate or for non-vaccinated individuals only with a negative PCR or rapid test, taken within the last 48 hours
- The Tourism Ministry has clarified by press release that individuals vaccinated in countries that do not belong to the European Certificate program may enter these businesses by presenting their printed or electronic vaccination certificate.

### **Traveling within Greece:**

- All passengers traveling to mainland and island destinations by any transport means (train, bus, plane, or ship), must provide the following documents, depending on their age group:

#### Individuals aged 12 and above:

Proof of full vaccination at least 14 days prior to travel; or

A negative PCR test no older than 72 hours; or

A negative antigen (rapid) test no older than 48 hours; or

Documentation by a health care professional of recovery from COVID-19 within the previous 2-9 months.

#### Minors from 4 to 11 years old:

Any of the documents listed above for adults; or

A self-test taken no more than 24 hours before boarding. Self-test results must be reported by printing and filling out the [Self-Test Declaration form](#)

- Passengers traveling to Greek islands must fill in the [Pre-boarding Health Declaration questionnaire](#) (on their cell phone/tablet or on paper) within 24 hrs before their embarkation.

### **Quarantine information:**

All travelers may be subject to random COVID-19 tests upon arrival. If positive, you will be notified and quarantined for a minimum of 7 days and possibly up to 14 days, depending on your vaccination status and other circumstances. If negative, you will not be notified.

- Per the Greek National Tourism Organization, if you test positive for COVID-19 during your stay in Greece, you must return to your place of accommodation, inform the owner of the positive COVID test, and take all necessary personal hygiene measures (quarantine) until further notice. The Greek Civil Protection authorities may move you to a designated quarantine hotel or allow you to remain in your current accommodation, depending on the circumstances. The cost of

accommodation in designated quarantine hotels is covered by the Greek government. The length of quarantine is determined by Civil Protection, typically 10-14 days. If you test positive while in Greece and do not follow the guidance of the Civil Protection authorities, you risk a fine of €5,000, and possible arrest.

- All visitors must abide by all COVID-19 health protocols in place by the Greek Government without exception. If you develop fever and/or respiratory symptoms, seek medical attention through your hotel and/or by dialing the National Public Health Organization at 1135 or (+30) 210-5212054. Your hotel, cruise operator, and/or COVID-19 testing laboratory may also be able to assist you in confirming necessary next steps with Civil Protection and other relevant local authorities.

### **Departure from Greece**

When required for your returning flight, it is possible to arrange PCR tests or rapid tests either via the hotel where each traveler stays, or via us. Guests are responsible to know of such requirements and to request from us or organize themselves the necessary testing within the required time frame.

Official websites for further information:

[www.travel.gov.gr](http://www.travel.gov.gr)

<https://greecehealthfirst.gr/>

We appreciate your understanding and apologize in advance for any additional inconvenience.

We extend a warm thank you for the cooperation, and for choosing our country for your holidays.

We look forward to welcoming you to Greece.