

There are a number of measures in place when travelling to the UK to help against the spread of coronavirus. The information below provides an overview and contains links to Government webpages which you are advised to read in full. You should check the information again just prior to travelling, as the Government may have made changes that affect your plans.

What you must do depends on whether you qualify as **fully vaccinated** under the rules for travel to England.

If you are fully vaccinated from 4am Sunday 9 January 2022

If you qualify as fully vaccinated for travel to England, and you will arrive in England after 4am, Sunday 9 January 2022, you can choose to take a lateral flow test instead of a PCR test after you arrive in England.

If you take a lateral flow test and test positive, you will need to self-isolate for 7 days and take a free confirmatory PCR test.

You must book the test before you travel to England. You can book lateral flow tests [here](#)

You will still need to [complete a passenger locator form](#) – to be completed in the 48 hours before you arrive in England.

Check if you qualify as fully vaccinated

To qualify under the fully vaccinated rules for travel to England, you must have proof of full vaccination with a full course of an approved vaccine.

You must have had your final dose of the vaccine **at least 14 days before** you arrive in England.

The proof of vaccination must have been issued by either:

- the UK vaccination programme
- the United Nations vaccine programme for staff and volunteers
- an overseas vaccination programme with an approved proof of vaccination for travel to the UK

[Check which vaccines are approved and the list of countries and territories with approved proof of vaccination.](#)

Proving your vaccination status

There are different ways to prove your vaccination status if you were vaccinated outside of the UK.

[Check what proof is required for the country or territory where you were vaccinated.](#)

If you cannot prove that you qualify under the fully vaccinated rules, you must follow the rules for people who are not fully vaccinated.

If you are not fully vaccinated

This is what you need to do if you do not qualify under the fully vaccinated rules for travel to England.

Before you travel to England – not fully vaccinated

Before you travel to England you must:

- take a COVID-19 test – to be taken in the 2 days before you travel to England
- [book and pay for day 2 and day 8 COVID-19 PCR tests](#) – to be taken after arrival in England
- [complete a passenger locator form](#) – to be completed in the 48 hours before you arrive in England

When you arrive in England – not fully vaccinated

After you arrive in England you must:

- quarantine at home or in the place you are staying for 10 full days
- take your COVID-19 PCR tests – you must book these tests before you travel

You must take the first test on or before day 2 and the second test on or after day 8. The day you arrive is day 0.

If the test result is positive

If your day 2 test is positive, you must self-isolate for 10 full days. The day you took the test is day 0.

You do not need to take the day 8 test if your day 2 test is positive. If your day 2 test is negative, you must take your day 8 test.

If your day 8 test is positive, you must self-isolate for 10 full days. The day you took the day 8 test is day 0.

If the test result is negative

If your day 2 test is negative, you must continue to quarantine.

You must take your day 8 test on or after day 8.

If your day 8 test is negative, you can stop quarantine on whichever is later:

- day 10 – day 0 is the day you arrived in England
- when you receive the day 8 test result

Red list countries

There are different rules if you have been in a red list country in the 10 days before you arrive in England.

[Check which countries and territories are on the red list and read the red list rules.](#)