

Flying to the USA: a new health attestation for every traveller

US ENTRY REQUIREMENT · IN FORCE FROM THE NIGHT OF 3 NOVEMBER 2026

From **11:59 pm Eastern Standard Time on 3 November 2026** (04:59 GMT on 4 November), every person boarding an international flight to the United States, **passengers and crew alike**, must have signed an attestation confirming they have **not been in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) in the 21 days before the flight**. The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has introduced it in response to the current Ebola outbreak. It applies to private and business aviation as well as airline flights.

3 Nov, 11:59 pm EST	Every person	21 days	Before boarding
APPLIES TO FLIGHTS AFTER	PASSENGERS AND CREW	DRC LOOK-BACK PERIOD	SIGNED AND RETURNED

WHAT IT MEANS FOR YOU

- Every traveller must be named on an attestation before boarding.
- Digital or paper signatures are accepted.
- Anyone who was in the DRC within 21 days of departure, including passing through it on a connection, will not be able to board a US-bound flight.
- The CDC also restricts entry for some non-US citizens who have recently been in South Sudan or Uganda.

WHAT CHARTER-A DOES

- We send you the attestation form ahead of your flight.
- We confirm how the names are to be recorded for your party.
- We check every passenger is accounted for before the form is returned.
- We tell you the return deadline for your flight, so nothing is left to departure day.

YOUR CHECKLIST

- Send us the full name of every passenger, exactly as on their passport.
- Ask each traveller to check their travel history for the last 21 days.
- Complete and return the attestation as soon as we send it.
- Tell us straight away if anyone in your party may have been in the DRC, so we can talk it through before the flight.

This sheet summarises requirements published by the US CDC at the date shown. Rules can change at short notice, and we will update you if they do. For the official wording see the CDC page for travellers returning from Ebola-affected areas. This sheet is information only and is not legal or medical advice.

Flying to the USA soon? Tell us your travel dates and we will walk you through the paperwork.

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