



Checklist: Trip planning for Covid-19

Item	Considerations	Notes	Action	
<h2>Airport</h2> <p>Check for each airport planned to. Some of these are routine and not Covid specific, but they are included as a reminder.</p>				
Airport	Check availability, status, restrictions, local Covid-19 cases. Read news media from that country to get a feel for current situation. Review Notams.			
Opening Hours	Daylight hours only? Runway lights? Any restrictions for GA? Any Covid-19 changes to hours?			
Customs	International flight requires customs – is it an Airport of Entry? In rare cases, customs can be positioned to domestic airports. Worth considering? Check customs hours changes for Covid-19			
Visas	Do crew need a visa for tech stop? Destination? Pax visas?			
Health	Any Covid quarantine rules on arrival?			
ATC	Check ATC hours of availability, availability of instrument approaches, any procedure changes.			
Runway Length	Consider that some runways may be unavailable due to being used for aircraft storage. Check aircraft performance vs. length avail.			
Fuel Price	Compare handler to contract fuel price.			
Fuel Availability	Any recent supply issues?			
Runway/Apron Strength	PCN vs. ACN. Can usually be exceeded with Airport permission but not by much.			
Suitability	Is this the right airport for the city? Domestic/Intl, not military, is there a GA dedicated airport? How busy is it?			
Weather	Any local factors eg. Wind/regular fog. Winter ops			
Handling	Is there a reliable ground handler? For BA, is there an FBO? Is handling mandatory?			
Maintenance	Availability If aircraft goes tech.			



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Passenger processing	Customs desks avail for larger aircraft? Check-in desks avail ? Passenger terminal? VIP terminal?			
Noise restrictions	Curfew hours, APU start procedures, aircraft types banned?			
Security	Any risks? Crime, political instability, terrorism, kidnap			
Fire and Rescue	Compare RFF category to your requirements. Check Notams for any Covid-19 downgrades.			
GH Equipment	Any need for airstairs, JCPL, cargo offload, belt conveyors. GPU required? Check avail.			
Prior reports	Check company reports, OPSGROUP Airport Spy (https://ops.group/spy). Any comments that may cause concern?			
Regulatory requirements	Can we land here? Eg. USA: Border overflight rules, Mexico: Cozumel/Tapachula first etc.			

Enroute

Check for each FIR enroute

Airspace	Entry requirements: HLA (North Atlantic), RVSM, etc.			
Comms	HF, CPDLC, VHF 8.33, Datalink			
Navigation	RNP, RNAV requirements			
Surveillance	ADS-B, ADS-C, Mode S			
Permits	Complexity, lead time, any Covid-19 additional documents required?			
Risk	Shutdown risk? Check SafeAirspace.net			
Closures	Any specific recent or potential airspace closures due to Covid-19?			
Engine failure	Consider whether we want to be in this airspace in an emergency situation requiring a divert – engine fail, medical, depressurization.			
Nav fees	Expensive? Better route close by?			
Aircraft type, registration	Some countries will not allow Israeli manufactured or registered aircraft to enter the FIR or land. Bahrain registered aircraft banned from many FIR's (political).			



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Regulatory	USA: TSA Waiver. Check AIP GEN 1.2 for any Entry issues.			

Permits

Check for each country planned to be overflown or landed in.

Type of flight	Commercial (scheduled or charter) or private (owner on board)? Different requirements.			
Countries	Check all countries planned to be overflown			
Lead times	Check lead times, consider alternative route if any especially long (eg. Indonesia)			
Permit Helper	Check latest country requirements in OPSGROUP Permit Helper (https://ops.group/permit). See also AIP GEN 1.2			
Documents	Check all docs are ready to go. C of R, C of A, AOC (if commercial), Crew docs (License and Medical), Insurance. If Aircraft does not have full C of A, Special Permit is required from Dept. of Transportation of that country.			
Special Docs	Check if any required (Specific country insurance, charter contract, ELT data etc.). Check if any specific Covid-19 docs are required before flight.			

Regulatory and documents

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Routine docs	Gen Dec, Passenger Manifest, Cargo Manifest, Customs forms			
Covid-19 docs	Check requirement for Passenger Locator Cards, entries or declarations on Gen Dec, Passenger Health Declarations.			



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Country specific docs	USA: TSA Waiver, eAPIS Transmission (Pt. 91 or 135), CBP Decal, Border Overflight Permit. Mexico: Specific Insurance. Must land at Cozumel or Tapachula if from South or Central America or Caribbean Australia: Transport Security Program			
APIS	(Advance Passenger Information). Check requirements carefully, especially with regard to Covid-19. Is an OK to board required before departure? US: eAPIS Transmission Specific countries: CARICOM, EU/Schengen, Russia, Australia, New Zealand, check requirements.			
Cabotage	Cabotage (Commercial domestic flights): Are we attempting to pick up new passengers in a foreign country, and charge them? Check local cabotage rules, especially Europe, France, Russia.			
Import	Import: Is the aircraft being imported, or could it be considered to be? If so – need customs broker, coordination with customs, and documents – Invoice/Sale doc, ownership etc.			
Documents on board	Check any documents required to be physically on board the aircraft, especially carefully if aircraft has been stored for some time: Certificate of Registration Certificate of Airworthiness Air Operators Certificate Operations Specifications (Ops Specs) Insurance Certificate Insurance Policy Noise Certificate Letter of Authorization (LOA) - RVSM LOA – HLA LOA – RNP LOA – P-RNAV IS-BAO Letter USA Customs Decal Any others?			





Checklist: Aircraft supplies (Covid-19)

Item	Notes	Quantity	Checked	
On board – additional Covid-19 stock items				
Surgical Masks	For crew For passengers			
Gloves	For crew For passengers			
Goggles	UPK has some, if more required, load separately.			
Capes	UPK has some, if more required, load separately.			
Hand Sanitizing Gel				
Disinfecting Wet Tissues	Eg. Sani-Com			
Approved Aircraft Disinfecting Spray	Eg. Bacoban			
Infra-red Thermometer (contactless)				
Universal Precaution Kit (UPK)				
Biohazard Bags	Additional to those in the UPK for disposal of masks, gloves,			
Passenger Locator Cards				
Overnight PPE Kits	For crew downroute, containing: Each pack to contain: Masks (2), gloves (3), disinfecting wipes (10), spray (1)			
Crew cleaning kits	For rental vehicles, if planned to be used as crew transport downroute.			

