



Travel Safety Checklist

Before you travel, take a few minutes to protect yourself from travel scams and cyber threats.

☒ Before You Book

- ☐ Book directly with airlines, hotels, or reputable travel agencies.
- ☐ Research travel companies and read customer reviews.
- ☐ Be cautious of deals that seem too good to be true.
- ☐ Verify the website URL before entering personal or payment information.
- ☐ Ensure the website uses **https://** and displays a padlock icon.
- ☐ Review the company's refund, cancellation, and privacy policies.

☒ Payment Safety

- ☐ Pay with a credit card whenever possible.
- ☐ Avoid paying with wire transfers, prepaid cards, cryptocurrency, or cash.
- ☐ Do not save payment information on unfamiliar websites.
- ☐ Monitor your account activity after making travel purchases.

☒ Online Safety

- ☐ Be cautious of travel deals received through email, text messages, or social media.
- ☐ Do not click links from unsolicited travel advertisements.
- ☐ Double-check website addresses for misspellings or unusual domains.
- ☐ Use strong, unique passwords for travel and booking accounts.
- ☐ Enable multi-factor authentication (MFA) whenever available.

☒ While Traveling

- ☐ Avoid conducting financial transactions on public Wi-Fi.
- ☐ Use a trusted VPN when connecting to public networks.
- ☐ Keep your mobile devices and apps updated.
- ☐ Secure important documents and keep copies of IDs and travel confirmations.
- ☐ Be aware of your surroundings when using ATMs or making purchases.

☒ If You Suspect a Scam

- ☐ Stop communication with the suspected scammer.
- ☐ Save emails, receipts, screenshots, and other evidence.
- ☐ Contact your bank or credit card provider immediately.

- ☐ Change affected passwords.
- ☐ Report the incident to appropriate authorities.

 **Remember:** If a travel deal seems too good to be true, it probably is. A little research before booking can help protect your money, personal information, and vacation plans.