

Local Notice to Mariners

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Subject	Essential Travel Permit

Passengers and Mariners coming to the Bailiwick of Guernsey will need to demonstrate their travel is essential by applying for an Essential Travel Permit for any journeys made from 00.01 Thursday 14 January 2021.

This includes any resident who decides to travel out of the Bailiwick with the intention of returning. To secure an Essential Travel Permit, passengers and mariners need to complete a form (https://covid19.gov.gg/guidance/travel/essential-travel) and provided their journey meets the criteria, they will be receive a permit within 48 to 72 hours.

They will need to have this permit before they travel as they may be asked to show it at the point of departure or upon arrival in the Bailiwick.

Legislation has been enacted meaning entering the Bailiwick of Guernsey without an Essential Travel Permit is unlawful and you may be prosecuted and could be fined up to £10,000.

Anyone arriving into the Bailiwick will need to create a Travel Tracker account (https://covid19.gov.gg/guidance/travel/traveltracker) and register their journey. The only exemption to this is intra-Bailiwick sailings.

If your travel is disrupted and you need to amend your travel history you can go online to the Travel Tracker and register a new journey. On the day of travel your updated journey will be at the top of the list of planned journeys.

Those travelling as critical workers are treated as essential so do not need an Essential Travel Permit, but they must apply for permission to travel through the existing critical worker application process.

Alongside the Essential Travel Permit, the detail of what is considered essential has been reviewed further.

As well as critical workers, essential travel is considered to mean:

- For a compassionate purpose (including but not limited to supporting a dependent relative),
- To receive medical treatment,

- To accompany a child or vulnerable person into or out of the Bailiwick,
- To undertake essential business activity which is critical to the business and cannot be carried out remotely,
- To meet legal obligations such as attending court proceedings,
- To attend or return from school, university or other further education,
- For anyone ordinarily Bailiwick residents, to return home if they travelled off-Island before 12th January,
- Moving to the Bailiwick where a property has been purchased and the process of moving is already underway,
- To take up employment where the position has already been secured with a local employer or where the work is essential.

Essential travel does not include travel:

- To visit friends and family based in the Bailiwick,
- To work remotely in the Bailiwick if that work is not critical work and approved through the critical worker application process,
- To stay at a 'second home' where the person is not ordinarily resident in the Bailiwick.

Those who travel with an Essential Travel Permit will still be required to adhere to all of the Bailiwick's other travel restrictions including self-isolation and testing rules.

Further guidance will published on the States of Guernsey's COVID-19 website https://covid19.gov.gg/ and advice can be sought by calling the COVID-19 non-clinical helpline on 01481 717118 during office hours.

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