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COVID-19: cruise ship travel

Advice for travellers to who have booked or are planning a cruise ship holiday

- **This updates the news item of 13 August 2020**

On 9 July 2020, the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (now Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office, FCDO) issued [advice against all cruise ship travel](#) in the light of the current coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic situation.

Based on advice from Public Health England (PHE), the recommendation applies to international travel on sea-going cruise ships, which provide overnight accommodation and leisure facilities, with people from multiple households [1].

National travel restrictions may also be in place, travellers should [check and follow the up to date rules on the GOV.UK](#) website along with the [FCDO advice](#) and our [Country Information](#) pages.

Advice for travellers

If you have future cruise travel plans, you are advised contact your cruise line, travel operator, or the travel company you booked with, for further advice.

Advice for health professionals

Health professionals who get queries about cruise ship travel are advised to direct members of the public to the FCDO advice and the travel operator for more information.

The government advice on cruise ship travel will continue to be reviewed according to the latest medical information.

Resources

- [Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office \(FCDO\). Travel advice: coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [TravelHealthPro: cruises](#)

References

1. [Foreign Commonwealth & Development Office. Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): cruise ship travel. 9 July 2020. \[Accessed 18 November 2020\]](#)