

COVID 19 INFORMATION

Entering Nicaragua

To fly to Nicaragua you are required to take a PCR test within 72 hours of arriving in Nicaragua (96 hours if traveling from Asia, Africa, Australia, or Pacific region). Rapid tests will not be accepted. This regulation applies to fully vaccinated passengers as well!

Your airline may have additional requirements. For example, Avianca requires the PCR test to be taken within 72 hours of arriving in Nicaragua AND that the results are submitted to the airline within 36 hours of the flight time.

Face masks are required on the airplane, at the airport, and in stores in Nicaragua.

Testing for Return to the United States

There are two options for testing to get back to the US:

Go to the capital, Managua, and take a PCR test. This will cost \$150 USD. This option will take a full day and can be done on the same day as your flight home, however your flight must leave at 5pm or later or you will have to stay overnight in Managua at a hotel. We will help to take care of all the details. The testing is only available Monday - Saturday, so if you are leaving on a Sunday, you must take the test on Saturday.

Use the BinaxNOW Home Test for re-entering the US. This is the recommended option.

Order the BinaxNOW Home Test through the eMed website

(https://www.emed.com/products/covid-at-home-testkit-six-pack?hsLang=en). Your results will then be displayed in the NAVICA app. When taking your test, you will log into the eMed platform where a live, certified guide will walk you through the whole testing process.

Can I use the BinaxNOW Self Test? No, the over-the-counter Self Test is not eligible for travel purposes. You must purchase the BinaxNOW Home Test through eMed.

When should I take my test before returning to the US? No more than three days prior to your flight. We recommend not waiting until the last minute, as to leave room for unforeseen circumstances.

When do I get my results? Your results arrive within minutes through the NAVICA app. If test results are negative, eMed will send a digital health certificate with a QR code.



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Vaccines and Travel/Return to the US

Effective November 8th, all non-citizen, non-immigrant (not a US citizen, US national, lawful permanent resident, or traveling to the US on an immigrant visa) airline passengers traveling to the US, must demonstrate proof of vaccination. Vaccination must be as defined by the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Director Order and must be presented prior to boarding a US bound aircraft.

Fully vaccinated travelers will also be required to present a negative COVID test taken within three days of travel to the United States. This rule applies to all travelers - US citizens, lawful permanent residents, and foreign nationals. To further strengthen protections, unvaccinated travelers will now need to test within one day of departure.