

Flight Rules

What can I carry on? What can't I bring?

It is important that you know what you are allowed to bring on an airplane. Taking a few minutes to prepare can prevent some real hassles at security or even the frustration of having some personal property confiscated. The more you plan ahead for screenings, the less time we all spend at security checkpoints. Since what you can or can't bring can get very confusing we suggest you go to the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Web site at www.tsa.dhs.gov and look at the "What To Know Before You Go" section under the "For Travelers" heading. And please take the time to also review the section "How to Get Through the Line Faster." *There is a difference between what you can bring in your "checked" baggage (the luggage you put on the truck going to California) and your "carry-on" baggage. Our first important tip is to put your name and phone number on the inside as well as on a baggage tag on each bag you bring.*

Checked luggage:

On this trip you may bring one piece of luggage that you plan to check on the truck (this does not count your backpack, purse or carry-on bag). **WE WILL NOT BE CHECKING ANY LUGGAGE AT THE AIRPORT! ALL LUGGAGE MUST GO ON THE TRUCK!**

Plan to leave your checked baggage unlocked. 100% of all checked baggage is now screened. In some cases screeners open your baggage as part of the process and are authorized to break locks to do so.

Don't bring more luggage than you can manage by yourself, and leave some SPACE in your luggage for the souvenirs you plan to bring back! Don't wrap any gifts you buy in since all bags are subject to inspection.

Carry-on items:

You can carry on the plane one small carry on bag (provided), **plus one personal item.** Carry-on bags must not exceed the dimensions 22"x14"x9", including wheels and handles and must weigh less than 40 lbs. Always carry medicine, money, valuable documents, keys, jewelry, cameras, and other small fragile items in your carry-on luggage.

In addition, you can bring one personal item such as: A purse, a briefcase, a laptop/computer or an item of a similar size or smaller. You may also carry on an umbrella, jacket or coat, reading material, or assistive devices such as wheelchairs or crutches

The TSA strictly limits liquids, gels, aerosols, and pastes that you can take in your carry-on luggage. They have what is called a "3-1-1 rule" – **3 ounce** or smaller containers of liquids that fit in **1 quart-sized zip-top bag, 1 bag per person only. Larger containers or toothpaste tubes rolled up are not allowed** (See TSA 3-1-1 flyer).

Each traveler must remove their quart-sized plastic, zip-top bag from their carry-on and place it in a bin or on the conveyor belt for X-ray screening. If in doubt, put your liquids in your checked luggage, but pack anything that might leak inside a plastic bag.

Prescription medications in original packaging (labeled with the prescription sticker from the pharmacy) are allowed in quantities exceeding three ounces and are not required to be in the zip-top bag. Declare these items for inspection at the checkpoint. For more information go to www.tsa.dhs.gov/travelers.

Don't forget your ID! Passengers are required to provide picture/photo identification for travel at check-in. Students will have school ID's made. Adults should bring drivers license.