



New rules for international flights



Pack items in a plastic resealable bag

## Rules for Liquids, Aerosols &

Australia's Department of Transport and Regional Services (DOTARS) has created new rules for taking liquids, aerosols and gels onto international flights. These rules, introduced in March 2007, were designed to protect you from the threat of liquid explosives. The following is based on a leaflet entitled 'Your Guide – new rules for taking liquids, aerosols and gels through security onto international flights' (see [www.dotars.gov.au](http://www.dotars.gov.au) for further information). These rules concern flights coming into and departing Australia. We advise you to check with your airline for clarification of regulations before you leave.

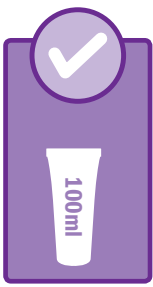
### AN OVERVIEW

Each container of liquids, aerosols or gels in your carry-on luggage must be 100 ml or less. All must be sealed in a transparent, 1 litre (or less) resealable plastic bag. You may still carry through the screening point prescription medicines, baby products and non-prescription medicines that you need for the flight. Proof of need may be required. You will have to surrender any liquids, aerosols or gels greater than 100 ml that you are carrying at the screening point. This includes duty free items (at many airports, you are able to purchase duty free items after you have passed through the screening point for your international flight).

### WHAT ARE LIQUIDS, AEROSOLS & GELS?

**Items allowed** include **empty containers** such as mugs or flasks; **cosmetics and toiletries** including tampons, talcum powder, contact lenses and lens solution; **solid foods**; **baby products** like empty beakers or flasks, baby milk or juice; **medicines** including prescribed medication (e.g. insulin) and essential non-prescribed medication.

**Items over 100 ml not allowed** include **drinks** in cans, bottles and so on; **liquid cosmetics and toiletries** that are in liquid or gel form, such as perfumes, creams and all products in pressurised containers such as hairspray, shaving foam or gel and aerosol deodorants; **liquid-based food products** in packets, tubes, plastic or tin.



Any bottle over 100ml containing liquids, gels or aerosols must be discarded

## Gels on International Flights

### WHAT YOU NEED TO DO...

#### Before Checking In

- Sort any liquids, aerosols and gels that you will take with you on the flight. If possible, do this before you leave for the airport.
- All liquids, aerosols and gels you intend to take in your carry-on luggage must be in containers 100 ml in volume or smaller.
- Any containers larger than 100 ml will need to be packed into your check-in luggage or left behind.
- Partially filled containers over 100 ml will not be accepted.
- Place the containers that you want to take in your carry-on luggage into a transparent, resealable plastic bag.
- This bag must be no greater than 1 litre in size (e.g. 20 cm x 20 cm or 15 cm x 25 cm). You can purchase these bags at most supermarkets.
- The plastic bag should close easily when full. If not, you will need to remove some items. One bag per person is allowed.
- Keep this bag accessible in your carry-on luggage. You will need to show it to security screening staff.

#### At the Security Screening Point

- Present your plastic bag to security screening staff separately.
- At the screening point, you must surrender any liquids, aerosols or gels greater than 100 ml that you still have with you, including duty free items. These items will be destroyed.
- Security staff may ask for proof of need for any medicines you are carrying, such as matching the name on your prescription to your boarding pass.
- Please remove bulky overcoats.
- You may also be asked to undergo a frisk search.
- These rules also apply to passengers transiting through Australian international airports.