

# PCR Testing Guideline

FIME 2021  
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# Frequently Asked Questions

## Is a PCR test required to enter the United States?

**Yes.** As of January 12, 2021, the following requirements are necessary when traveling to the United States:

- All air passengers arriving to the United States from a foreign country must get tested no more than 3 days before their flight departs and present the negative result or documentation of having recovered from COVID-19 within the last 90 days to the airline before boarding the flight. Negative COVID-19 certificates may be printed or in digital form.
- This applies to all air passengers, 2 years of age or older, traveling into the US, including US citizens and legal permanent residents, but does not apply to air passengers flying from a US territory to a US state. US territories include American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands.
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- With specific exceptions, several Presidential proclamations suspend and limit entry into the United States, as immigrants or nonimmigrants, all noncitizens who were physically present within specific countries during the 14-day period preceding their entry or attempted entry into the United States. For a full list of countries and links to the proclamations on the White House website, visit [Travelers Prohibited from Entry to the United States](#).
- A PCR test may be required for some travelers upon re-entry to their home destination.
- For further information please visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/testing-international-air-travelers.html>

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## **Why 3 days and not 72 hours?**

The 3-day period is the 3 days before the flight's departure. The Order uses a 3-day timeframe instead of 72 hours to provide more flexibility to the traveler. By using a 3-day window, test validity does not depend on the time of the flight or the time of day that the test was administered.

For example, if a passenger's flight is at 1pm on a Friday, the passenger could board with a negative test that was taken any time on the prior Tuesday or after.

## **What information must be included on the test result?**

- Type of test (indicating it is a NAAT or antigen test)
- Entity issuing the result (e.g. laboratory, healthcare entity, or telehealth service)
- Specimen collection date. A negative test result must show the specimen was collected within the 3 days before the flight. A positive test result for documentation of recovery from COVID-19 must show the specimen was collected within the 3 months before the flight.
- Information that identifies the person (full name plus at least one other identifier such as date of birth or passport number)
- Test Result

## **I need to take a PCR test before departing the United States to my home destination. Will I be able to do this in Miami?**

Yes, there are many places where you will be able to get a PCR test in time for your departure to your home destination. They are detailed later in this document.

*\*Please ensure you give the correct contact details to receive the results*

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## **Will there be a PCR testing facility at FIME 2021 ?**

There will be a drive-thru testing facility at the Miami Beach Convention Center and several other locations nearby to where FIME is taking place.

## **I am fully vaccinated; am I exempt from taking a PCR test ?**

Fully vaccinated travelers are not exempt from the PCR testing requirement.

## **Where can I check travel guidelines in advance of my trip to the United States ?**

For all travel and COVID-19 advice as it relates to the United States and Miami, please visit the following websites for the latest official updates

- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
- [City of Miami Beach](#)
- [Travelers Prohibited from Entry to the United States](#)
- [Florida Department of Health](#)

For visa requirements please visit the [United States Department of State Travel](#) page.

# PCR testing near the Miami Beach Convention Center

Testing Center	Cost	Hours	Results	Appointment?	Location
Miami Beach Convention Center – Drive thru	None	M-SA 8 AM - 5 PM SUN 8 AM – 2:30 PM	24-48 hrs	<a href="#">Required</a>	Outside West Lobby entrance
Miami Beach Community Health Center	None	Monday to Friday 8 AM – 3PM	24 – 48 hrs	Required: Call 305-538-8835 for appointment.	710 Alton Road, Miami Beach, FL 33139
Miami Beach Convention Center – Drive thru (as of August 2, 2021)	None	Every day 8 AM – 5PM	Within 24 hours	Walk-ins	17 <sup>th</sup> Street and Convention Center Drive <a href="#">More info</a>

# PCR testing sites around Miami

Testing Center	Cost	Hours	Results	Appointment?	Location
Miami International Airport - Central Terminal facility	\$175	24 hours a day	15-40 minutes	Walk-ins and appointments. Call 305-225-6266	Concourse E ground level median in front of Door 11
Miami International Airport - South Terminal facility	\$179 - rapid PCR \$119 - standard PCR \$79 - antigen	Daily 7 AM – 9 PM	15 min for antigen, 1 hr for Rapid PCR, 24 hrs for standard PCR	Walk-ins and appointments. <a href="#">Visit website</a>	Near the Concourse H TSA Checkpoint on the departures level at Door 20
Walgreens - Pharmacy	No cost	<a href="#">Check website</a> for hours	Rapid PCR Within 24 hours Antigen with 1 hr	Required. <a href="#">Visit website</a>	Multiple locations
Brickell Lot – Mobile testing van	No cost	Daily 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM	24 – 48 hrs	Required. <a href="#">Visit website</a>	75 Southwest 11th street , Miami, FL 33130

# COVID-19 vaccination sites around Miami\*

Site name	Hours	Vaccines offered	Appointment?	Location
Miami Beach Convention Center	Daily from 8 a.m. to 5 pm	J&J and Pfizer	Not required	17th Street and Convention Center Drive
PortMiami	Monday – Saturday 9AM – 3PM	J&J	Not required	Terminal J, PortMiami
Publix On The Bay	Please <a href="#">visit website</a> for details	J&J and Moderna	Not required	1920 West Ave, Miami, FL
Pop-up locations				Follow Florida Division of Emergency Management <a href="#">Twitter</a> for latest pop-up locations

All information in this document is based on current knowledge and is subject to change in response to changes in status and requirements

