

# Travel Tips

To ensure hassle-free travel, here are a few tips to follow.

Before you depart for the airport:

- ✓ check your flight. Contact the air carrier to ensure your flight will be departing on time.

Review your luggage:

- ✓ one carry-on bag and one personal item such as a purse, briefcase, laptop or backpack are allowed in all classes of service on most air carriers.
- ✓ check batteries. When carrying on an electronic device such as a cellular phone or laptop computer, ensure it is in full working order to avoid confiscation by security.
- ✓ no sharp points. Do not carry knives or “knife-like” objects or cutting instruments of any kind. These items may include carpet knives and other folding or retractable blades regardless of size or material, straight razors, ice picks and elongated scissors. These objects must be packed in checked baggage.
- ✓ some toys must be checked. Toy guns and toy knives are permitted in checked baggage but may not be carried in the aircraft cabin.
- ✓ sports equipment such as hockey sticks, baseball bats, pool cues, ski poles and golf clubs must be checked.

Checked luggage:

- ✓ strongly consider leaving all electric devices such as hair dryers, curling irons and irons at home. If they are a must, pack them in checked luggage.
- ✓ mark, lock and guard luggage. Lock each piece of luggage, ensure clear identification is on both the outside and inside of luggage and never leave luggage unattended.

Travelling with gifts:

- ✓ travel with unwrapped gifts to avoid being asked to unwrap them at the security checkpoint at the airport.

## At the Airport:

- ✓ arrive early. Allow for holiday congestion and increased security by arriving at the airport early; no later than 30 minutes before departure on 'Rapidair' flights (e.g. JetsGo, West Jet), 1 hour before all other domestic flights, 90 minutes prior to U.S. flights and 3 hours prior to all international flights.
- ✓ travel documents are a must. Be prepared to present photo identification before boarding a flight regardless of the destination; without it, travel may be refused.
  - Domestic travel required photo identification
  - International travel requires a valid passport and any other documentation required to enter the country of destination, such as visas.
  - Children travelling outside of Canada with one parent may require legal documentation to prove consent of the other parent or guardian to leave the country.

Bon Voyage!