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Pelee Island Travel Update

As of September 26, only a handful of Canadian airports are accepting international commercial passenger flights from all countries, international business/private passenger flights from all countries, and international charter passenger flights from all countries. Griffing Flying Service falls under this umbrella, so at this time, we are only permitted to fly into the following Canadian airports:

- Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport
- Calgary International Airport
- Edmonton International Airport
- Halifax Stanfield International Airport
- Montréal-Trudeau International Airport
- Ottawa Macdonald–Cartier International Airport
- Québec City Jean Lesage International Airport
- Toronto Pearson International Airport
- Vancouver International Airport and
- Winnipeg James Armstrong Richardson International Airport

After speaking with the CBSA officers on Pelee Island, we still do not have an estimated timeframe as to when Pelee Island will reopen as a port of entry for international air travel.

COVID-19 Testing Required to Enter the United States

As previously stated, on Monday, August 9, we received a copy of the “Global Airline Testing Order” from the FAA Cleveland FSDO. This order states the following regarding passengers entering the United States from foreign countries:

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 - The negative pre-departure test must be a viral test that was conducted on a specimen collected during the 3 days preceding the flight’s departure from a foreign country.
 - Any passenger who fails to comply with the requirements of section 2, “Requirements for Aircraft Passengers,” may be subject to criminal penalties under, inter alia, 42 U.S.C. § 271 and 42 CFR71.2, in conjunction with 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571. Willfully giving false or misleading information to the government may result in criminal penalties under, inter alia, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

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- Canadian Government
- Canada Border Services Agency
- U.S. Government
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- U.S. Centers of Disease Control
- U.S. Federal Aviation Administration

We will remain in close contact with all Canadian and U.S. entities regarding any regulation and restriction updates.

While reading our travel updates, please keep in mind that we are **ONLY** following AIR travel updates, guidelines, and restrictions. Any updates that we share regarding travel to and/or from Pelee Island are not relevant to travel via land and/or water.

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August 25, 2021

Pelee Island Travel Update

On Tuesday, August 24, we received a press release stating that another handful of Canadian airports will be opening for international air travel. The list we received is as follows:

- **Ontario**
 - Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport
 - Lake Simcoe Regional Airport
 - Muskoka Airport
 - Oshawa Airport
- **Québec**
 - Charlevoix Airport
 - Trois-Rivières Airport
- **Newfoundland and Labrador**
 - Deer Lake Regional Airport
 - Stephenville International Airport
- **Nova Scotia**
 - Port Hawkesbury Airport
- **New Brunswick**
 - Charlo Airport
- **Alberta**
 - Edmonton International Airport (increase of hours to 24 hours, 7 days per week)

Unfortunately, Pelee Island did not make the cut this time, but we are hopeful that we may be getting a little closer. After speaking with the CBSA officers on Pelee Island, we still do not have an estimated timeframe as to when Pelee Island will reopen as a port of entry for international air travel.

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August 11, 2021

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Unfortunately, Pelee Island has NOT yet opened as an international port of entry. Only the following Canadian airports are now open for international air travel:

- Montréal-Trudeau International Airport
- Toronto Pearson International Airport
- Calgary International Airport
- Vancouver International Airport
- Halifax Stanfield International Airport
- Québec City Jean Lesage International Airport
- Ottawa Macdonald–Cartier International Airport
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July 20, 2021

Pelee Island Travel Update

We would like to share an update in reference to the recent announcement regarding the U.S./Canadian border and international air travel.

Unfortunately, Pelee Island will NOT be an international port of entry beginning August 9. We have been informed that only the following Canadian airports will be open for international air travel:

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2021 Pelee Island Fare Update & General Information

We are hopeful that we will be able to fly to Pelee Island at some point this year. There has been a fare increase due to new Canadian insurance requirements. Please find the new fares below:

- Adult (10 and up) one-way \$75
- Child (3-9) one-way \$37.50
- Baby (2 and under) Free

Many of you are familiar with our largest island aircraft, the Islander. At this time, the Islander remains in our maintenance shop making very gradual progress due to the loss in revenue throughout 2020. Because we will only be operating our smaller island aircraft, we ask that passengers please limit their luggage and personal belongings when flying to Pelee. We will strive to accommodate as many passengers as possible and in order to do so, we ask that you are courteous to others by only packing your absolute essentials.

Passports

A reminder that a passport book is **required** for all passengers flying to and from Canada. If you have gotten a new passport since September 2019, please visit our website at <https://www.flygriffing.com/pelee-customers-information-form> to submit your updated information, or give us a call at (419) 734-5400 ext. 1 with the following:

- Full name (as it is written on passport)
- Sex

- Date of Birth
- Passport Book Number
- Passport Book Expiration Date
- Country of Residence
- Country of Citizenship

While we continue to patiently wait...

We ask that you follow these steps to ensure that you are fully prepared to travel to Pelee when we are able to fly:

- Travelers must have the recommended dosage of a vaccine approved for use in Canada
 - The final injection must have been received at least 14 days prior to entry. It does not matter which country travelers got their vaccines from.
 - Currently, Canada accepts the following vaccine manufacturers: Astra Zeneca, Pfizer, Moderna, and Janssen (Johnson & Johnson).
- Before traveling to Canada, all documents need to be submitted to the ArriveCan app or website.
 - All travelers still need a 14-day quarantine plan.
- ArriveCan requirements:
 - We will verify that all passengers traveling to Canada have submitted their information through ArriveCAN before boarding.
 - Passengers who are not able to show their ArriveCAN receipt will not be able to fly.
 - We will accept the receipt either on your mobile device or a printed copy.
 - In addition to the ArriveCAN receipt, passengers will be **required to carry their actual vaccine certificate with them** to show officials at the border.

For further information regarding travel requirements to enter Canada, please visit:

<https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/entering-canada-checklist>

We look forward to seeing you again soon!

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