



WoAG Travel Advice 2017/06

Subject: Large Electronic Devices Banned from Carry-on Baggage

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Dear Entity Travel Manager

The United States Government's *Transportation Security Administration* (TSA) and the government of the United Kingdom have instituted bans on taking large electronic devices into the passenger cabin of aircraft. These bans impact flights, originating in, or transiting through a number of airports in the Middle East, North Africa and Europe.

Key Points:

- **Devices larger than a cell phone/smart phone (excluding medical devices) cannot be carried in the cabin of the aircraft**
- **Devices larger than a cell phone/smart phone must be packed in checked baggage**
- **Banned devices include (but is not limited to) laptops, tablets and iPads, cameras, e-readers (e.g. Kindle), portable DVD players and gaming devices larger than a smartphone.**
- **The indefinite ban took effect on 25 March 2017**
- **Affects flights to the United Kingdom and the United States**
- **The TSA recommends passengers transferring at one of the 10 affected airports place any large personal electronic devices into their checked bags upon check-in at their originating airport (i.e. an Australian port).**

We advise all travellers and travel bookers to check the Smartraveller sites below for more information.

USA:

http://smartraveller.gov.au/Countries/americas/north/Pages/united_states_of_america.aspx

UK:

http://smartraveller.gov.au/Countries/europe/northern/Pages/united_kingdom.aspx

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Please contact the WoAG Travel team if you have any questions or require further information.