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## News Flash

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**Toronto Pearson Warns Travellers There Could Be Huge Delays:** If you're flying into Toronto Pearson this weekend, travellers are being warned to expect a different experience than pre-pandemic times. International travellers are being told to expect up to three hour delays after landing. The airport says the delays are related to additional screening and health checks.



**Porter Airlines, Other Companies To Require Covid-19 Vaccine Or Negative Test For All Staff:** Porter Airlines will require all of its staff to either get vaccinated against COVID-19 or test negative for the coronavirus before the start of every shift. The Toronto-based airline, which is resuming flights next month after being grounded to passenger flights for almost a year and a half, said in a release on Wednesday that "team members must be fully vaccinated or present a negative COVID-19 test administered within 72 hours of the start of their shift."



**WestJet Returns To Paris, Reopens Codeshare With Air France:** WestJet is once again operating a non-stop flight between YYC and CDG, the only one of its kind. The route returned on 20AUG and will run once weekly aboard the line's 787 Dreamliner. "We are thrilled to bring back this historic route between Calgary and Paris, reconnecting these two incredible cities and providing easy and unique travel opportunities throughout Europe for Western Canadians," said John Weatherill, WestJet Chief Commercial Officer.



**U.S. Extends Land Border Closure For Another Month:** The United States government has unilaterally extended its land border closure with Canada for at least another month. The current closure was set to expire on Saturday, 21AUG but was widely expected to be rolled over as it has been monthly, while the U.S. confronts surging case numbers of COVID-19. The border closure affects land (and ferry) entries only. Air travel to the U.S. from Canada has

not been closed throughout the pandemic. Today's border closure extension is scheduled to expire 21SEP.

**Air Canada Resumes Non-Stop Toronto To Munich Service:** Air Canada has announced details of its non-stop YYZ – MUC schedule, with seats available for sale now. This follows the Canadian government's announcement to reopen its borders to fully vaccinated international arrivals as of 07SEP 2021. Flights on this schedule will operate three-times weekly on the airline's 298-seat Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner with a choice of three cabins of service: Air Canada Signature Class, Premium Economy, and Economy class.



**Maritime Travel – TravelSmart: COVID-19 Health and Safety Resource Center:** Maritime Travel has compiled a one-stop resource for travel managers and travellers, offering accurate and up-to-date information on policies pertaining to all forms of travel. This online portal will consist of categories such as:

- [General Information \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [Government Regulations](#)
- [Air Travel Regulations](#)
- [Hotel Updates](#)
- [Car & Ground Transportation](#)