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## News Flash

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**Air Canada Extends Suspension Of Flights To India Till June 22:** While the 30-day ban on flights from India over Covid-19 surge announced by Canada is due to end next week, Air Canada's suspension of services will continue till the third week of June. Air Canada is now only accepting booking beginning in late June, as a spokesperson for the airline told Global News that they "have further extended the suspension of flights from India until June 22".



**Canada-U.S. border restrictions extended another month to June 21:** The Canada-U.S. border will remain closed to non-essential travel for at least another month, just days before the current agreement was set to expire. Non-essential travel restrictions have been in place between the two countries since March 21, 2020. The provision exempts the flow of trade and commerce, as well as vital health-care workers such as nurses who live and work on opposite sides of the border.



**WestJet, YVR Release Results Of Rapid Antigen Testing Study:** The Vancouver Airport Authority and WestJet have released study findings showing that rapid antigen testing is an effective, acceptable and cost-efficient method for screening travellers and contributes to safer and healthier air travel. The findings were proven through the YVR-WestJet COVID-19 Testing Study, a research project led by the University of British Columbia (UBC) and Providence Health Care (Providence) alongside project sponsors, WestJet and the Vancouver Airport Authority.

**July 20 Set As New Tentative Date For Restarting Flights By Porter Airlines:** "It's encouraging to see the recovery of the aviation industry in the U.S.," said Michael Deluce, president and CEO of Porter Airlines. "As vaccination rates in Canada increase, we are hopeful travel restrictions and public health measures will ease, so we can recall our team members, welcome back our passengers and begin to rebuild the airline." Porter previously set June 21, as its tentative restart date. Operations were temporarily suspended on March 21, 2020, due to COVID-19.



**Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19): Current Border Measures And Requirements:** The Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) is committed to the safety and security of residents of Canada.

**COVID-19 Vaccinated Travellers Entering Canada:** At this time, all travellers, regardless of vaccination status, must follow entry restrictions, testing or quarantine (including the 3-night hotel stopover).



**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](#)