

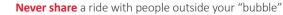
# Ground transportation: Taxi, chauffeur-drive and ride-hailing

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- If using an app to book a trip, check out the **driver's profile** for comments about **adherence to COVID-19** protection
- Consider chauffeur-drive services from a trusted company with clear cleaning standards









• Sanitize hands, personal items and luggage after each journey













## Ground transportation: Intercity and international rail

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- Avoid travel during peak periods
- Find out **when to arrive** at the station. Fast track security may be suspended, or boarding times may be staggered
- Wear a mask as soon as you arrive at the station and be sure to carry a spare
- **Pre-book** seats where possible; seat reservation is mandatory on many services
- Check out the rail company's health and safety program to ensure it meets your needs
- Check train **schedules** before travel, as some companies are not operating a normal service
- Look for train company apps that provide up to date journey information and alerts if services may be busy





Look out for **signage** advising of any changes to normal procedures

- Expect queues and longer wait times where pre-boarding health screening is required
- Download digital tickets to mobile phones to bypass ticket machines and queues
- Download any track and trace apps required at the destination





- Select window seats to minimize contact with passing passengers
- Once seated, clean your immediate area with a sanitizing wipe
- Wear a mask at all times; this is mandatory on most services
- Bring food and drink on board, as catering may be suspended
- Stay seated as much as possible
- Avoid facing other passengers when seated
- **Limit** unnecessary **movement** around the carriage





## Ground transportation: Bus, commuter trains and subway

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- If possible, consider alternatives to public bus or commuter rail travel
- Many bus services no longer allow tickets to be bought onboard, so be sure to buy them beforehand
- Download the local transportation app, a good source of schedule information through which you may also be able to buy tickets
- Familiarize yourself with local rules on public transportation use; these may even differ between operating companies within the same country/city





- Use **contactless payment** when buying tickets
- **Wear a mask** as soon as you arrive at the station or boarding queue, and be sure to carry a spare
- Be aware of all signage alerting you to new rules and behaviors
- Use contactless "tickets", e.g. bank cards, mobile phone payment, if available





- If possible, select a **window seat** to minimize contact with passing/standing passengers
- **Keep your distance** from other passengers in queues and when on board
- **Wear your mask** throughout the journey, even if the operator's rules allow you to remove it
- Avoid travel during peak periods, as social distancing is not possible during busy times
- Carry hand sanitizer with you and avoid touching handles and surfaces





### Ground transportation: Car rental

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- Where it makes sense, consider car rental as an alternative to a short flight
- At destinations where self-driving is safe, consider car rental instead of public transportation, taxis and ride-hailing
- Look for car rental companies backed by the WTTC Safe Travels stamp
- Check what the rental company commits to disinfecting keys, steering wheels, steering column, gear stick, seats, seat pockets, seat belts, door handles and more

- Try to avoid transfer buses between airport terminals and car pickup locations
- For added confidence and protection, wipe down door handles, steering wheels and other touchpoints before entering a vehicle
- Research your parking options, if driving to an urban location you'd normally travel to by public transportation
- Plan for longer journeys as traffic returns and listen out for congestion alerts







