

UK AND IRELAND CHECKLIST

BEFORE YOU GO

Tickets, money, passport! Your essential UK and Ireland to-do list and packing list.

To do

- ☐ **Passport:** Is it up to date? It must be valid for at least three months beyond the length of your stay.
- ☐ **Visa:** Have you checked whether you need one?
- ☐ **Vaccinations:** Are all your routine vaccinations up to date?
- ☐ **Travel insurance:** Are you covered?
- ☐ **Safety:** Have you registered your travel plans with [smartraveller.gov.au](https://www.smartraveller.gov.au) and checked the latest safety advice on the region you're traveling to?
- ☐ **Money:** Have you told your bank you're going overseas, and do you know how you'll be paying for things in the UK and Ireland?
- ☐ **Booking:** Have you booked accommodation for at least the first night?
- ☐ **Transport:** Do you know how you'll get from the airport to your accommodation?
- ☐ **Getting around:** Do you know how you'll get around, and do you need to pre-book any tickets?
- ☐ **Driving:** If you're planning on hiring a car, do you have the appropriate licence and are you familiar with the road rules?
- ☐ **Phone:** Have you switched off data roaming and voicemail? If you're planning to use a local or travel SIM, is your phone unlocked?
- ☐ **Apps:** Have you downloaded offline maps, travel apps or the [CHOICE UK and Ireland travel guide](#) onto your mobile?
- ☐ **Medication:** Have you checked that your regular medication is not restricted in any countries you're transiting through?

To pack

- ☐ [Tickets](#)
- ☐ [Money](#) (cash and cards/pounds and euros)
- ☐ [Passport](#)
- ☐ A copy of your [travel insurance](#) details
- ☐ Your [Medicare card](#)
- ☐ A list of [emergency contacts](#) at home and in the UK/Ireland
- ☐ [Power adapter](#) and chargers
- ☐ Any regular medication (in original packaging, with prescriptions)



Tip: When you travel, you should carry all medications (even vitamins) in their original packaging, along with their original prescription. It's also a good idea to carry a letter from your doctor explaining what the medications are (using generic names) and what they're for.

If you are traveling to (or transiting through) countries with strict drug laws, check with the country's embassy to ensure your medication is not a restricted drug.