



IT'S *YOUR* WORLD, TRAVEL!

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DON'T GET “BAGGED DOWN”

Baggage allowances vary by airline. Once you have received your final ticketing information, verify baggage rules with your ticketed carrier.

- Most International Carriers allow ONE bag at 50 pounds. Additional bags fly at a cost – Check with your airlines!
- Check each airline for size, additional costs, overweight costs, etc. Smaller in-country airlines may be more restrictive.
- Rules may change over the course of your exchange year, so you will need to check baggage requirements for ALL listed carriers on your ticketed itinerary.
- **In your CARRY-ON, make sure you have:**
 - Host Rotary/Family Contact Information, important documents
 - Toiletries and a couple days of clothing (in case you and your baggage become separated)
 - Any prescribed medications



BAGGAGE INFORMATION



- If you carry too many bags, be prepared to pay hefty fees at the check-in counter.
- Carry-on rules are changing! Check the latest airline regulations, and think about what you can handle while you are in the airport or on the plane.
- You will have to manage all your bags and carry-ons by yourself going through customs.
- Put a BAG TAG with your contact information both on the outside and on the inside of **ALL** of your bags.. this will help in the event of lost baggage.
- Take a separate photo of each checked bag and carry-on... this will also help in the event of lost baggage.

PRIOR TO DEPARTURE

In preparation for departure, please visit our website and carefully read the information under "Day of Departure."



You will find information on:

- The day before departure
- The day of when you will be departing
- When you arrive in your host country

AS YOU TRAVEL...

- **Be mindful of your belongings**

- DO NOT leave any of your bags unattended
- Make sure you have on your person the following items:
 - Passport, any visa papers, & Rotary paperwork
 - Boarding Passes
 - Cash/Credit-Debit Cards
 - Phone/Phone Card

- **Pay attention to where you should be, at all times!**

- Make sure you know where your flight will be boarding: gates change!
- Be aware of the time
- Check the monitors constantly if you have a long layover to make sure your gate or departure time has not changed

- **If you miss a flight, or the flight is canceled, for any reason:**

- **Immediately** go to that Airline Customer Service desk for re-booking
- Have them re-book **ALL flights** to your final destination as needed
- Have them print out your NEW itinerary to your final destination
- When all is resolved, contact your North American Sponsoring Rotary District and share your new itinerary. They in turn will advise Rotary/Host Family and your parents.
- **TIP** – After re-booking, have the airline email you the new itinerary so you can post your new itinerary to your Message Board



Possible “stranded” local resources:

- Student asks airline clerks for ideas/info at that airport
- Search web for “travelers aid xxx airport”
- Use your RYE contacts or directory