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Observed lateral flow tests to be accepted for travellers from Jersey

The Civil Contingencies Authority has decided to retain specific restrictions in place for fully vaccinated travellers from Jersey, but will from tomorrow introduce greater flexibility regarding the pre-travel test.

From tomorrow (Tuesday 3rd August 2021), fully vaccinated travellers from Jersey will be able to present the results of an **observed lateral flow test** on arrival in the Bailiwick. This will need to have been taken within the 48-hour period before travel.

The requirement had previously been that fully vaccinated (two vaccine doses administered within the Common Travel Area with 14 days passed since their second jab) travellers from Jersey needed to take a pre-travel PCR test. PCR tests will still be accepted but the CCA has eased this restriction to enable supervised lateral flow tests also.

Fully vaccinated travellers from Jersey will also be required to purchase a pack of five lateral flow tests to use on arrival, in line with all other fully vaccinated arrivals from within the Common Travel Area (UK, Republic of Ireland and Crown Dependencies), once this system is introduced – expected to be later this week.

Work has been carried out and our understanding is that observed lateral flow tests are available in Jersey via some pharmacies, including LV Pharmacies and Reid's Pharmacy (others may also provide this service). It is also possible to have your lateral flow test observed online. An email or text certification confirming the lateral flow test was observed will be accepted.

For anyone travelling to Jersey for less than 48 hours, the current system will remain in place in that you will need to have a PCR test on arrival back in the Bailiwick. You can request a PCR test online using this form: <https://gov.gg/outboundtraveller-pcr> and the team will be in touch to book your test.

The CCA decided to maintain the requirement for pre-travel testing for people who have spent time in Jersey within 14 days of arriving in the Bailiwick due to Jersey's current prevalence rates and contact tracing policies. However, this will be kept under review.