

# Nonessential Travelers to DC from 'High-Risk Areas' Will Need to Self-Quarantine



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## **Mayor Bowser Issues a Self-Quarantine Order for Certain High-Risk Travelers to the District**

Today, Mayor Bowser issued a Mayor's Order on requirements for all residents or persons returning to or arriving to the District after travel from coronavirus (COVID-19) "high-risk areas" - locations where the seven day moving average daily new COVID-19 case rate is 10 or more per 100,000 persons. A list of "high-risk areas" will be posted by the DC Department of Health on Monday, July 27, 2020, and will be updated every two weeks on [coronavirus.dc.gov](https://coronavirus.dc.gov). **Travel to and from Maryland and Virginia is exempt from the Order.**

As a reminder, work/business travel is deemed essential. All residents and persons traveling to or from "high-risk areas," within the prior 14 days for non-essential travel must self-quarantine for 14 days following their return or arrival to the District. Persons who are traveling through a "high-risk area," such as through an airport or by vehicle, are not subject to this quarantine requirement. **The honest will be on the traveler to follow the Mayor's Order and self-quarantine.**

Persons who are self-quarantining after non-essential travel must:

- Stay at their residence or in a hotel room, leaving only for essential medical appointments or treatment or to obtain food and other essential goods when the delivery of food or other essential goods to their residence or hotel is not feasible;
- Not invite or allow guests, other than caregivers, into their quarantined residence or hotel room; and

- Self-monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 and seek appropriate medical advice or testing if COVID-19 symptoms arise.

Persons returning to the District after essential travel, or arriving in the District for essential travel must:

- Self-monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 and self-quarantine and seek medical advice or testing if they show symptoms of COVID-19; and
- Limit their activities involving contact with other persons for fourteen (14) days to the purposes that exempted them from the self-quarantine requirement to the extent possible.

The Order will go into effect at 12:01 am on Monday, July 27, 2020, and will remain be in effect through October 9, 2020, or through the end of the District's state of emergency.

The full Mayor's Order can be found [here](#).

Regards,  
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