

Will Rogers World Airport

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Holiday Travel Tips

OKLAHOMA CITY – Based on reports from the local airlines, Will Rogers World Airport anticipates a busy holiday travel weekend.



Beginning tomorrow afternoon, the planes departing Will Rogers will be full or nearly full through Thursday morning. These are traditionally the busy travel days for travel. Return travel seems to be spread out over several days compared to previous years when the Sunday after Thanksgiving was the busiest air travel day of the year.

Attached is a list of travel tips for those who are flying this week. A few of the most important include:

- Allow plenty of time to get checked in; the airlines recommend arriving two hours prior to departure.
- Do not wrap Christmas presents. If your bags have to be hand-searched, that means that your presents will have to be unwrapped also. If you have a lot of gifts, you may want to consider shipping them via a company such as FedEx or UPS.

- The airlines are allowing only one bag and one personal item, such as a purse or laptop computer, to be carried onto the plane; check the items in your bags prior to arriving at the airport for things that might not be permitted in your carry-on, put these items in your checked luggage.
- Be prepared to show your ticket or ticketless itinerary plus your ID when you check in at the ticket counter, at the security checkpoint and at the gate prior to boarding
- Be patient



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Parking

No metered parking is available in the front, or on the east and west ends, of the terminal building.

The hourly parking lot has been reopened. All vehicles will be inspected prior to entering the parking area.

Pick-up and drop-off in front of the building is still allowed, but the vehicle must absolutely be attended at all times. No exceptions. Violators will be towed.

All other parking facilities are operational including the shuttle parking, sheltered shuttle and the five-level garage.

Checking In

The airlines in Oklahoma City are asking passengers to arrive two hours before departure.

***It is recommended to leave gifts unwrapped as they will have to be opened if your bag is searched.*

Several airlines in Oklahoma City have reinstated curbside check-in: American, Continental, Delta, Southwest and United.

A government issued ID is required when you check-in. You will be asked to produce this ID again at other stages of the check-in process including the security checkpoint and before boarding the aircraft. Keep your ID as well as boarding passes readily available.

Ticketless passengers are required to have either a printed copy of their itinerary or a ticket issued at the ticket counter to pass through the security checkpoint. This varies by airline so be sure to confirm with the airlines what you will need prior to coming to the airport.

Security Screening

Only ticketed passengers will be allowed beyond the security checkpoint. If you have a medical, parental or other specific need to accompany a ticketed passenger, please check at the airline ticket counter to determine how to proceed.

Electronic items, such as laptop computers and cell phones, may be subjected to additional screening. Be prepared to remove your laptop from its travel case so it can be X-rayed separately. Whenever possible, place these items in your checked luggage.

If you have a medical condition that requires you to carry a needle and/or syringe, you must have



the medication that requires such injection on your person. The medication must be packaged with a pharmaceutical label identifying the medication.

Avoid carrying bottles of liquid, like bottled water or sodas, through the checkpoint. The necessity of screening will increase the processing time. Food is available beyond the checkpoint.

Items Prohibited From Carry-On Luggage:

- Knives of any length or composition, or description
- All cutting and puncturing instruments including pocketknives, carpet knives, box cutters, ice picks, spare blades, straight razors, metal scissors and metal nail files
- Corkscrews
- Athletic equipment that could be used as a weapon such as baseball/softball bats, golf clubs, pool cues, ski poles, and hockey sticks
- Weapons -- firearms, ammunition, gunpowder, mace, tear gas, or pepper spray
- Aerosol spray cans -- hair spray, deodorant, insect repellent, or butane fuel (such as in curling iron refills, scuba tanks, propane tanks, cartridges, and self-inflating rafts)
- Explosives -- fireworks, sparklers or signal flares
- Flammable liquids or solids -- fuel, paints, paint thinners or cleaners, lighter fluid, perfume larger than 16 oz.
- Other hazardous items -- dry ice, gas-powered tools, wet-cell batteries, camping equipment with fuel, radioactive materials, poisons, infectious substances
- Leave gifts unwrapped. Airline security personnel will open gifts if the X-ray scan cannot determine the contents



At all times

Control all carry-on bags. Never leave anything unattended as it could be subject to tampering.

Never carry anything on board the aircraft for another person, especially someone you do not know.

Report any unattended packages or baggage anywhere in the airport to airline personnel or airport security. Airport security can be called by utilizing any of the paging phones.