



# COVID-19

To maximize protection from the [Delta variant](#) and prevent possibly spreading it to others, wear a mask indoors in public if you are in an [area of substantial or high transmission](#).

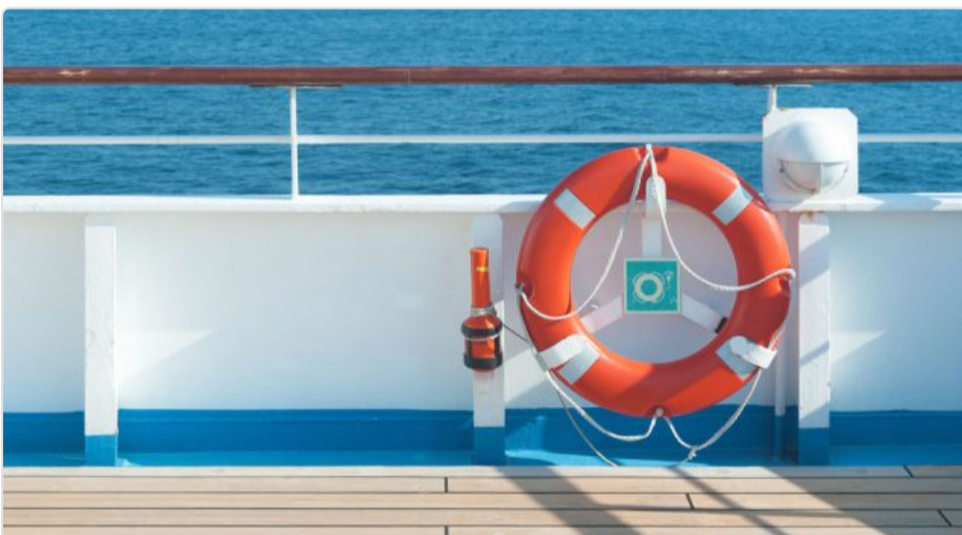
## Cruise Ship Travel During COVID-19

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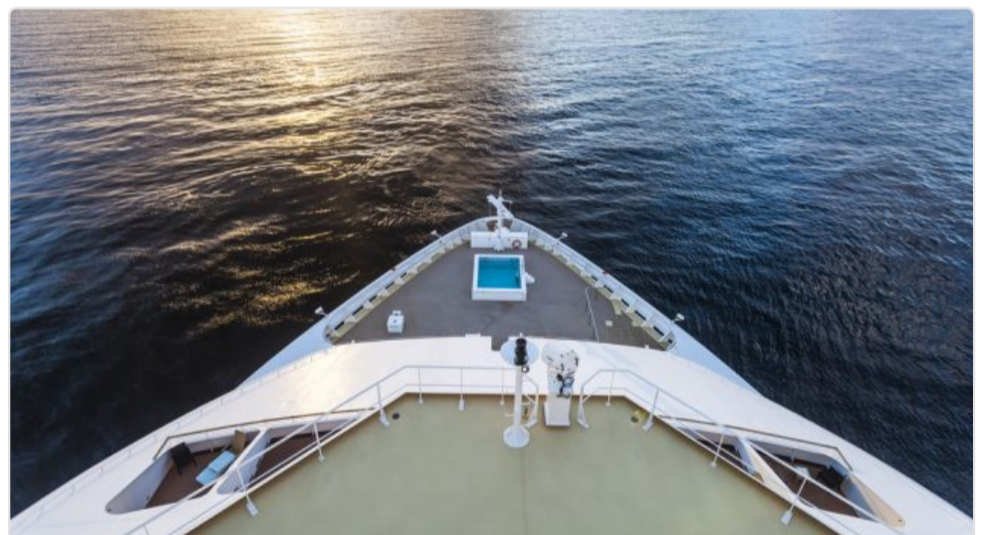
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CDC has released all necessary requirements and recommendations that cruise ship operators need to resume passenger operations under the [Framework for Conditional Sailing Order \(CSO\)](#), originally issued [October 30, 2020](#) [↗](#). The CSO is a phased approach to resuming passenger operations on cruise ships. CDC may adjust these requirements and recommendations based on public health considerations and other factors.

**CDC recommends that people who are not fully vaccinated avoid travel on cruise ships, including river cruises, worldwide.** That's because the chance of getting COVID-19 on cruise ships is high since the virus appears to spread more easily between people in close quarters aboard ships. It is especially important for people with an [increased risk of severe illness](#) to **avoid** travel on cruise ships, including river cruises. CDC has issued a [Level 3 Travel Health Notice](#) for cruise ship travelers who are not fully vaccinated.



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### Additional Resources

If you need to contact your health department: [State & Territorial Health Department Websites](#).

[Travel Recommendations by Destination](#)

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[Know When to Delay your Travel to Avoid Spreading COVID-19](#)

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