Canada Border Entry Checklist for Summer Travellers

With many Canadians travelling during the summer months, this list will help travellers returning to Canada have a smooth border crossing.



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Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) Border Guidelines: http://cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/travel-voyage/checklist-aidememoire-eng.html

- Check border wait times. Avoid crossing during peak travel times like weekend evenings. Consider crossing at the least busy port of entry in the area.
- Consult IRCC's Duty and Taxes Estimator tool to check in advance what you might have to pay on specific purchases such as electronics. http://cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/travel-voyage/dte-acl/est-cal-eng.html
- Make sure your purchases or items coming into Canada are not on a list of prohibited goods. http://cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/travel-voyage/declare-eng.html#s5
- Declare any foods, plants, animals or other products such as untreated wooden souvenirs to the border services officer. http://cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/help-aide/faq1-eng.html#_s4
- If travelling with pets, know that dogs and cats that are three months of age or older need valid signed and dated certificates from a veterinarian verifying vaccinations against rabies. http://cbsa-
- Declare all purchases and have your receipts available. Residents can bring back, tax and duty free, goods valued at CAN$200 after being away for 24 hours, and goods valued at CAN$800 after 48 hours.
- Declare all money or currency equal to or over CAN$10,000. It is not illegal to bring such amounts into Canada, but you must declare it on arrival. http://cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/travel-voyage/ttd-vdd-eng.ht

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