

Security Screening of Liquids, Aerosols and Gels at Canadian Airports



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Airport security must screen and clear permitted liquids, aerosols and gels in your carry-on baggage before you can bring them on your flight.

Arrive early at the checkpoint, remove these from your carry-on and put them in a bin.



✓ Permitted:

Containers of **100 ml** or less packed in a clear, closed, re-sealable plastic bag no larger than 1 litre in size.

One bag per passenger.



✓ Permitted:

Duty-free products—such as alcohol, perfume and cosmetics—purchased from any airline or airport retailer that are properly **sealed in official security bags and accompanied by a receipt.**



✓ Permitted:

Medication, baby and dietary food in containers larger than 100 ml **if required for the trip.**



NOT Permitted:

No other liquids, aerosols or gels are permitted in carry-on bags. **Place these in checked baggage.**

What are the rules for travelling with duty-free purchases as carry-on?

As of January 31, 2014, CATSA will accept, subject to screening, duty-free liquids, aerosols and gels purchased from any airline or airport retailer that are properly sealed in official security bags and accompanied by a receipt.

These do not count as part of your carry-on allowance.

Screening officers may open your security bag to screen its contents, then re-seal it after inspection.

You may be asked to surrender your duty-free purchases if:

- the bag or the product does not pass screening;
- the retailer did not use an **official** security bag;
- the clerk improperly packaged your purchases at the point of sale or did not include the receipt;
- you opened the bag yourself after making the purchase and before screening; or
- more than 48 hours have passed since you made the purchase (official security bags are only valid for two calendar days).

! Please note that duty-free liquids, aerosols and gels may be intercepted if you pass through pre-board screening at a connecting airport in another country.

What can I do if my liquids, aerosols or gels do not clear security?

You can:

- surrender them to the screening officer;
- transfer them to your checked baggage, if possible and time permits; or
- ship them via mail, cargo or courier. Please keep in mind that shipping options vary at airports.

For more information:
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 1-888-294-2202