

Travellers from the UK since 1st Jan 2021

On entering France, you **may** need evidence at immigration that you have **sufficient resources** to be in France. It is sufficient to show evidence of a booked holiday/accommodation between your dates of travel in and out of the country. (If you don't have a booked holiday/accommodation for certain dates, you need to show that you have enough money per day to stay here). Enforcement of this varies but these are the strict rules!

I can provide you with a receipt that will provide evidence of accommodation between your holiday dates here at FRH.

As before you need to bring evidence of your **travel/healthcare insurance**.

Just as a reminder you also need **6 months remaining** on your **UK passport**. A UK passport can be valid for longer than 10 years. France does not recognise the extra months. So, you must look at the start date and work out that you have 6 months remaining on your passport ignoring any extra months you might have. Your passport will be stamped on entry and exit. Without a visa or residency you are only allowed 90 days in total in the EU in a year.

Check the detailed rules from the government website on what you are allowed to bring into France, but since Brexit, the big changes for UK travellers are you cannot bring any **meat/fish/dairy/flowers/plants**.

For those **hiring a car/driving** to get here, you need to check with your Hire agency but you can drive here on a valid UK driving license and you do not need an insurance "green card".

You need to check the latest **health rules/quarantine on travel** into France, and returning to the UK, from the government and your airline.

Once you have made it here (!) you need a **Pass Sanitaire**. For this you need your **NHS cover health pass** (QR code) evidence to show that you have been double vaccinated (with a vaccine approved by the European Medicine Agency). It must be 7 days (number of days can be greater for travel into the country) since your 2nd vaccine (assuming you have not had Covid19). This becomes your Pass Sanitaire to enter any bars/cafes/restaurants or tourist sites here in France. It also includes in our region (Occitanie) basically anywhere you stay where there they offer meals including breakfast, or there are common areas such as a swimming pool. This has just become law, and the rules seem complex so just assume you need it. You can use paper certificates with the QR code or you can download the **French "TousAntiCovid"** app onto your smart phone if you want to (it will be in English if your phone is set up in English). You then scan your NHS QR code into the my wallet section. The QR code (either on the phone or paper) is then scanned upon entry to any places requiring a Pass Sanitaire.

Bring **masks**, the rules vary on where you have to wear them, depending on region, but best to have a good supply.

The above is what I summarise in August 2021, but please do check for yourselves what is needed as the rules change regularly. Amanda