



WILL ROGERS WORLD AIRPORT

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SPRING BREAK TRAVELERS: BE PREPARED FOR NEW ELECTRONICS SCREENING PROCEDURES

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK, March 15, 2018 - If you haven't flown recently and plan to do so over spring break, be aware that there are changes to the screening of carry-on items.

Over the last year, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) implemented stronger screening procedures for electronics. Travelers are now required to remove any personal electronic items bigger than a cell phone from their carry-on luggage. These electronics must be placed in a bin with nothing on top or underneath for X-ray screening. This includes laptops, tablets, e-readers, handheld game consoles, etc. Items such as hair dryers, electric shavers or electric toothbrushes are not included. Passengers enrolled in TSA PreCheck are not subject to the new rules, although all passengers may be subject to additional screening at any time.

While not mandatory, TSA strongly suggests removing food items from carry-on bags. Doing so helps officers get a clearer view of the bag's contents, ultimately speeding up the screening process.

Although these are not dramatic changes, travelers who are not prepared can significantly slow the screening process for themselves and those in line behind them. WRWA advises that you review screening procedures prior to coming to the airport at <https://www.tsa.gov/travel>.

It is also a good idea to organize your carry-on for the easy removal of items for screening. Always check for prohibited items in both carry-on and checked baggage. *Firearms are not allowed through the checkpoint.* A firearm may be carried in checked luggage only if it is properly secured and airline procedures are followed.

Once in line, listen for direction from the TSA officers. Be ready to remove your electronic items and your 3-1-1 zip-top bag. Remove shoes, jackets and sweaters. Doing these things will speed up the screening process.

As always, the airport, airlines and TSA advise arriving at the airport 1 ½ to 2 hours prior to your departure. For more travel tips go to <https://flyokc.com/travel-tips>.

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