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REMINDER TO SPRING BREAK AIR TRAVELERS: ARRIVE 1½ HOURS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE Double-check Carry-ons for Prohibited Items

OKLAHOMA CITY, March 14, 2016 – The TSA, the airlines and the airport are reminding travelers to arrive at the airport one and a half hours prior to their departure time, especially during Spring Break. Over the last week, travelers have consistently been cutting it close, arriving at the airport to find long lines at the security checkpoint.

“We always advise people to arrive early during spring break,” says Mark Kranenburg, airports director. “The lines at the checkpoint can get very long, very quickly. With most flights filled to capacity, travelers do not want to risk missing a flight as often the airline does not have another flight on which to reschedule.”

Delays at the checkpoints are often worsened by travelers themselves. People often forget to check their carry-on bags for prohibited items. Sometimes they do not remove items that can alarm when walking through the scanners. Hand-checking a carry-on bag or having to undergo secondary screening significantly slows processing through the checkpoint.

To get through the checkpoint as quickly as possible, TSA reminds travelers of the following tips:

- Know what is in your bag. Passengers who bring prohibited items to the checkpoint slow the screening process for themselves and everyone behind them. If in doubt about an item, use the [“When I fly can I bring my...”](#) tool on TSA.gov to make sure an item is permitted in carry-on and/or checked baggage.
- Pack liquids, aerosols, gels, creams, and pastes in compliance with the [3-1-1 liquids rule](#). Passengers who violate this rule will also cause delays for themselves and everyone behind them.
- Remove all items from pockets and place in a carry-on bag or into a bin.
- Do not over-pack carry-on bags. This enables it to move through screening faster.
- Avoid wearing large metal jewelry or clothing with large metal embellishments to reduce the possibility of alarming the screening machine.



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- Pay close attention to the instructions that the TSA officers provide at the checkpoint. This helps the process move along efficiently.
- Travelers who have medical conditions or disabilities are encouraged to call the TSA Cares toll-free helpline in advance of their trip at 1-855-787-2227 to ask about screening policies, procedures and what to expect at the checkpoint. It is recommended to call 72 hours in advance of the trip.

For more travel tips, ticket counter hours, and flight information go to flyokc.com.

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Will Rogers World Airport is the city's commercial airport and accommodates over 3.8 million travelers each year. The airport serves 22 nonstop airports with an average of 69 daily departures. Will Rogers World Airport is owned by the City of Oklahoma City. The Oklahoma City Airport Trust oversees the management and operation of the airport.