

ONSITE COVID-19 TESTING FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS

2022 ASHRAE Annual Conference, Sheraton Centre Toronto

Current Travel Requirements for Travelers Entering the United States

Currently, the US requires a COVID-19 viral test (regardless of vaccination status or citizenship) no more than 1 day before you travel by air into the United States. You must show your negative results to the airline before you board your flight. (*For example, if your flight is on Wednesday, June 29 you must take a rapid antigen test at any time Tuesday, June 28 or up until your flight departs.*)

If you recently recovered from COVID-19, you may instead travel with documentation of recovery from COVID-19 (i.e., your positive COVID-19 viral test result on a sample taken no more than 90 days before the flight's departure from a foreign country and a letter from a licensed healthcare provider or a public health official stating that you were cleared to travel).

Source: [Amended Order: Requirement for Proof of Negative COVID-19 Test Result or Recovery from COVID-19 for All Airline Passengers Arriving into the United States](#).

Types of Acceptable Tests

You must be tested with a viral test to look for current infection – these include an antigen test or a nucleic acid amplification test (NAAT).

Phrases indicating a test is an antigen test could include, but not are not limited to:

- Rapid antigen test
- Viral antigen test
- Also, could be noted as Antigen Chromatographic Digital Immunoassay, Antigen Chemiluminescence Immunoassay, or Antigen Lateral Flow Fluorescence

Examples of available NAATs for SARS-CoV-2 include but are not restricted to:

- Reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR)
- Isothermal amplification including:
 - Nicking endonuclease amplification reaction (NEAR)
 - Transcription mediated amplification (TMA)
 - Loop-mediated isothermal amplification (LAMP)
 - Helicase-dependent amplification (HDA)
 - Clustered regularly interspaced short palindromic repeats (CRISPR)
 - Strand displacement amplification (SDA)
 - The test used must be authorized for use by the relevant national authority for the detection of SARS-CoV-2 in the country where the test is administered.

Source: [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Requirement for Proof of Negative COVID-19 Test or Documentation of Recovery from COVID-19](#).



Onsite Testing Provider

ASHRAE is pleased to provide complimentary, onsite COVID-19 testing for registered attendees of the 2022 ASHRAE Annual Conference. Testing will be provided by **HCP Diagnostics** -- a local testing company that specializes in large groups, meetings and events. HCP provides Rapid Antigen tests and Nucleic Acid Amplification Tests (NAATs) (aka PCR), both FDA, Emergency Use Authorized.

How will it work?

- ASHRAE will send attendees a link to a consent form in advance of the conference.
- HCP will be set up in a large meeting room at the Sheraton, Monday, June 27 – Wednesday, June 29. Testing times will be announced closer to the conference.
- HCP Admin(s) will be at check-in table to conference badge, verify completion of consent form, ID check, etc.
- Attendee goes to nurse station and tells the nurse which test he/she needs (rapid or PCR)
- Each nurse can administer 12-17 rapid tests per hour.
- Attendee's will be emailed test results based on the email used for the consent form.
 - 2-3 hours for antigen tests
 - Same day results or PCR tests if taken before 1 p.m. For PCR tests taken after 1 p.m., results by 1 p.m. the following day.
- Appointments will be first come, first serve during the testing hours each day.
- ASHRAE will cover the costs for all registered, international attendees to take the test needed for return travel to their country of origin. **It is the responsibility of the attendee to know their country of origin's testing requirements (rapid antigen vs. PCR).** International travelers re-entering the US may take a rapid antigen test.

If an attendee needs to take a test before Monday, June 27 or is not able to utilize the onsite testing services available, the following testing location sites are located nearby the Sheraton Centre Toronto:

The Travel Clinic
140 Yonge Street
Suite 200
(7 min walk from hotel)
[Book Appointment](#)

Several [Shoppers Drug Mart Pharmacies](#) locations near the hotel offer COVID-19 Rapid Antigen Tests and PCR Tests for Traveling. The closest locations are:

- 220 Yonge Street (Eaton Center) – 0.4 km away
- 333 Bay Street (Bay Adelaide Centre) – 0.4 km away
- 66 Wellington St. We. (Toronto Dominion Centre) – 0.5 km away
- 279 Yonge Street (Dundas Square) – 0.6 km away
- 260 Queen Street West (Queen & Beverley) – 0.6 km away

HCP Diagnostics also has a facility at the airport that can be used for testing if needed. A booking link will be made available closer to the conference.