

Real ID Enforcement to Begin May 7 as Planned, TSA and DHS Say

In case you were expecting the Real ID enforcement date—currently set for May 7—to be pushed back one more time, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) say that will not be happening.

The federal agencies this week announced a final rule regarding the implementation of Real ID enforcement at airports. Notably, the enforcement date has not changed from May 7, 2025 and the rule finalized the two-year phased period in which agencies may begin card-based enforcement provisions.

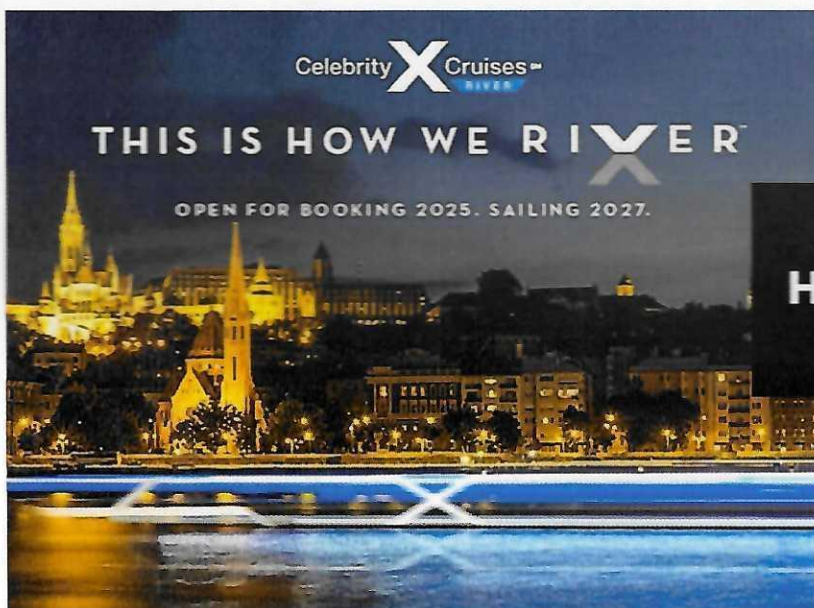
What this means: Beginning May 7, Americans traveling domestically via commercial air will need a Real ID to board. As of now, according to the TSA, approximately 56 percent of driver's licenses in circulation nationally are REAL ID-compliant. It adds that in 34 States, less than 60 percent of IDs in circulation are compliant, and, of those, 22 states have less than 40 percent compliancy.

It's important to note that the DHS does not plan on any future delays, saying, "Because of a history of REAL ID deadlines being extended, DHS believes that the public may continue to expect that additional extensions are likely and not feel urgency to obtain a REAL ID-compliant card. DHS believes this lack of urgency is likely to delay increased adoption in many States despite best efforts to inform the public, potentially leading to last-minute surges in demand for REAL ID-compliant IDs leading up to the deadline."

Due to this potential surge in last-minute applications, TSA and DHS have determined a two-year phasing-in process will be most beneficial to agencies (airports in particular), which can begin enforcement "tailored to their specific operations."

The rule will require agencies that use this phased approach to make their plan publicly available on their web page. DHS will also be required to have a publicly available a list of agencies that have coordinated phased enforcement plans.

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**WE SHOWED THE WORLD
HOW TO OCEAN, NOW WE'RE
READY TO RIVER**

Adult Mac and Cheese

JUST ABOUT AS EASY AS OPENING ONE OF THOSE LITTLE BOXES OF SHELLS AND POWDERED SAUCE—AND A WHOOOOOLE LOT MORE DELICIOUS. OUR SUPER-QUICK STOVETOP MAC AND CHEESE BORROWS FROM THE METHOD FOR A CLASSIC CACIO E PEPE PASTA, BUT WITH A BIT OF MILK TO MAKE IT EXTRA CREAMY. NO BÉCHAMEL, NO BAKING, JUST PURE DAIRY-ON-CARBS JOY.

INGREDIENTS

KOSHER SALT

1 LB. SMALL OR MEDIUM SHELLS

½ CUP (1 STICK) CHILLED UNSALTED BUTTER

2 TSP. COARSELY GROUND BLACK PEPPER

1 CUP WHOLE MILK

5 OZ. STORE-BOUGHT GRATED PARMESAN

PREPARATION

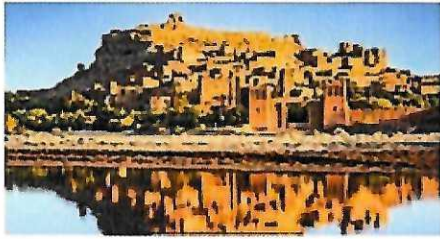
ADD A BIG HANDFUL OF KOSHER SALT TO A LARGE POT OF WATER AND BRING TO A BOIL. (YOU'RE PROBABLY TIRED OF US SAYING IT ALL THE TIME, BUT, YEAH: SALTING YOUR PASTA WATER GENEROUSLY IS THE KEY TO WELL-SEASONED PASTA, PERIOD.) DROP 1 LB. SMALL OR MEDIUM SHELLS INTO BOILING WATER AND GIVE THEM A GOOD STIR TO BE SURE NOTHING STICKS. SET A TIMER ACCORDING TO PACKAGE DIRECTIONS FOR AL DENTE.

CUT 1 STICK CHILLED UNSALTED BUTTER INTO 8 PIECES.

ADD 1 CUP WHOLE MILK TO BUTTER TO STOP IT FROM BROWNING AND BRING TO A SIMMER. WHISK REMAINING 6 TBSP. BUTTER INTO MILK MIXTURE 1 TBSP. AT A TIME, ALLOWING EACH TO FULLY MELT BEFORE ADDING THE NEXT. (DOING THIS GRADUALLY IS IMPORTANT—IT HELPS TO EMULSIFY YOUR SAUCE.) YOU MAY NEED TO ADJUST YOUR HEAT OCCASIONALLY TO MAINTAIN A SIMMER. IF PASTA STILL NEEDS A FEW MORE MINUTES TO COOK, TURN OFF HEAT UNDER YOUR SAUCE, COVER POT, AND KEEP WARM.

WHILE THE PASTA IS COOKING, HEAT 2 TBSP. BUTTER AND 2 TSP. FRESHLY GROUND PEPPER IN A LARGE, HEAVY POT OR DUTCH OVEN OVER MEDIUM HEAT, STIRRING OCCASIONALLY, UNTIL BUTTER IS MELTED AND FOAMING, BUT NOT BROWNEED, AND PEPPER IS FRAGRANT, ABOUT ONE MINUTE. ADD ONE CUP OF WHOLE MILK TO BUTTER TO STOP IT FROM BROWNING AND BRING TO A SIMMER. WHISK REMAINING 6 TBSP. BUTTER INTO MILK MIXTURE, ONE TBSP. AT A TIME, ALLOWING EACH TO FULLY MELT BEFORE ADDING THE NEXT. (DOING GRADUALLY IS IMPORTANT—IT HELPS TO EMULSIFY YOUR SAUCE.) SCOOP UP TWO CUPS OF PASTA COOKING LIQUID WITH A LARGE GLASS MEASURING CUP. YOU'RE PROBABLY NOT GOING TO USE ALL THE PASTA WATER IN YOUR SAUCE, BUT IT IS BETTER TO HAVE MORE THAN YOU NEED. DRAIN THE PASTA AND ADD TO POT WITH MILK MIXTURE. RETURN TO MEDIUM HEAT AND COOK, TOSsing WITH A WOODEN SPOON TO EVENLY COAT ALL SHELLS, ABOUT 30 SECONDS. ADD ABOUT ONE THIRD OF GRATED PARMESAN STIRRING PASTA VIGOROUSLY WITH WOODEN SPOON TO MELT. ADD ABOUT ½ CUP RESERVED PASTA WATER AND CONTINUE TO STIR UNTIL COMBINED. REPEAT TWO MORE TIMES WITH THE REMAINING PARMESAN. YOU MAY NOT NEED ALL THE PASTA WATER SO ADD ½ CUP AT A TIME UNTIL PASTA IS VERY CREAMY AND WELL COATED. IT'S ALWAYS GOOD TO ERR ON THE SIDE OF LOOSER BECAUSE IT WILL THICKEN AS IT COOLS. GIVE IT A TASTE AND ADD MORE SALT IF NEEDED.





LUXURY, SAND, & SAHARA MAGIC



A thirst for the perfect adventure is often hard to quench. That is, of course, until you find an oasis like Morocco! An extraordinary destination that blends luxury with bonafide exploration, the esoteric lands of Morocco are guaranteed to mesmerize even the most jaded of travelers — especially once they find themselves on the wavy dunes of the Sahara Desert!

Morocco serves up its scenic frontiers like no other. Just picture staying in the heart of Fez, where just beyond the doors of your opulent riad its ancient medina awaits to turn back the sands of time. Speaking of sands, how about stepping outside your lavish desert camp to face the infinite wonders of the Sahara, before roaming its expanse on camelback. And how can one not mention all the ancient Kasbahs you shall uncover on your way to explore the renowned vibrancy and soulful hospitality of Marrakech.

From standing in the glory of iconic monuments to off-roading against the backdrop of the Atlas Mountains, an escape to Morocco is a one-of-a-kind fusion of allure and exhilaration.

So, don't keep the Sahara waiting

Become immersed in the magic of Morocco and its neighboring Sahara Desert on an 11-night journey that blends luxury and adventure. Explore Fez and Marrakech with private guided tours, uncover the cinematic kasbahs of Ouarzazate, and experience the golden dunes of Erg Chebbi by camelback. Stay at opulent hotels and camps, savor a Tuareg dinner under starlit skies, and add a touch of excitement with a 4x4 desert tour or a quad biking experience in Agafay. From ancient medinas to serene desert landscapes, this itinerary offers a perfect combination of culture, comfort, and thrill.

For A Romantic Retreat Think Belize

From the moment you arrive in Belize, you'll begin to fall in love. Not just with each other all over again—though that's a given—but with the captivating charm of the country you've just stepped into.

English is the official language, making it easy to communicate with the friendly Belizeans you will encounter at every turn. Offering open arms and wide smiles, they're unofficial ambassadors to all that the country has to offer for couples looking to make new memories together. And whether you choose to stay on the beach, in the jungle or in any of the vibrant towns throughout Belize, they'll find no shortage of experiences to enjoy.

One unique experience here is hiking in the Cockscomb Basin Wildlife Sanctuary, a jaguar preserve where these elusive big cats can still be spotted in the wild. Also found here are cascading waterfalls waiting to be hiked, with refreshing pools awaiting adventurous couples at the top.

GROUPS FOR 2025-2026

UTAH'S MIGHTY FIVE AND THE ROCKIES, SEPTEMBER 9-17, 2025, with Collette Vacations, Highlights include Rocky Mountaineer, Glenwood Springs, Moab, Arches National Park, Canyonlands National Park, Dead Horse Point State Park, Capitol Reef National Park, Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, Bryce Canyon National Park, Zion National Park ending our tour at Paris Hotel Las Vegas. The tour includes round trip transfers to/from Newark, airfare, air taxes, fees and surcharges. Insurance is available at \$429.00. Book now and save \$200 per person. Rates \$6,549.00 (double), \$7,749.00 (single) and \$6,449.00 (triple) and must be booked by January 20, 2025.

OLD WORLD SICILY AND MALTA, NOVEMBER 5-16, 2025, with Collette Vacations. This is a small group departure for Home Town Travel with a maximum of 24 passengers on this adventure. These legendary isles are nestled amongst the deep blue water of the Mediterranean. Discover how ancient traditions blend into modern society as you travel along timeless Italian Maltese and Sicilian towns. This eleven-night tour begins with a four-night stay in Malta with a ferry to Sicily where you will stay three nights in Ragusa and three nights in Taormina. This package includes round trip transportation to Newark airport from our office, round trip air from Newark airport with an overnight flight to Malta, 10 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 4 dinners, professional escort throughout the trip and all accommodations and entrance fees. The rate per person based on double occupancy is \$5,399.00. Cancel for any reason insurance is optional and at a rate of \$549.00. Please call for more information.

NOVEMBER 25, 2025-ICONIC CHRISTMAS MARKETS ABOARD AMA REINA (Nuremburg to Budapest)

Travel back through centuries as you walk along cobblestone streets through grand cities and historic towns bedecked with twinkling Christmas trees and lined with wooden huts gleaming with handcrafted treasures. Nuremberg's festive Christkindlemarkt, the largest and oldest Christmas market in Germany, Regensburg's Artisan Christmas Market, one of Bavaria's most beautiful and romantic, Vienna with its impressive Christmas Market and Budapest where most products are handmade. Revel in a feast for the senses: sparkling lights, festive sounds of children dressed as angels singing carols and the enticing smells of hot-mulled wine, roasted chestnuts, sausages, and sweet treats of every kind. Rates start at \$3,699.00 per person double occupancy. Air fare and pre and post op
MARCH 13-26, 2026—TWELVE NIGHT VIETNAM & THAILAND CRUISE ABOARD THE CELEBRITY SOLSTICE
This bucket list trip starts in Hong Kong and visits Hanoi (Halong Bay), Hue/Danang, Ho Chi Minh (Phu My), Bangkok/Laemchabang and Ko Samui Thailand, and disembarking in Singapore. Pre and post land packages will be available. Cruise includes balcony accommodations (V1), all current port and government taxes, beverage package, gratuities, and Wi-Fi. SAVE OVER \$1,500 PER CABIN. Rate per person based on double \$3,350.00. A deposit of \$900/cabin is required to reserve your cabin. Final payment is not due until December 1, 2025. **ONE CABIN LEFT.**

MARCH 8, 2026 to APRIL 8, 2026—31 DAY PANAMA CANAL, INCA & SOUTH AMERICAN DISCOVERY ABOARD HOLLAND AMERICA'S OOSTERDAM.

Holland America's first Vista-class ship, the Oosterdam recently emerged from dry dock with exciting updates including completely refurbished suites and new lounge, dining and entertainment venues, such as Music Walk with Lincoln Center Stage, B.B. King's Blues Club and Billboard on board. Guests can choose from delectable specialty restaurants, hone culinary Skills with America's Test Kitchen and thrill to BBC Earth experiences. Embark in cosmopolitan Buenos Aires where pre-cruise packages will be available soon. Visit the penguins in Patagonia as you get ready to sail past Cape Horn and the Straits of Magellan. We then sail from Ushuaia and cruise the dramatic coast of Chile with stops in Puerto Montt and Punta Arenas. Sail through Glacier Alley enroute to a full transit of the Panama Canal. Inside cabins start at \$4,999.00 per person double. Available additions include Holland America's "Have It All" package which includes beverage package, three specialty dining venues, \$300 per person shore excursion credit, wi-fi and \$250 per person on board credit. This package is available for \$55 per person/per day. Prepaid gratuities are available at \$17/day. Other categories are available. Call for other rates and more information.

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Cultural Treasures of Japan with Collette Vacations April 2026

Welcome to Japan, the “Land of the Rising Sun.” Explore ancient and modern Japanese culture firsthand. Discover peaceful temples and technological marvels set against unimaginable natural beauty. This amazing 14-day tour will include airfare from Newark, transfer to and from Newark airport from Home Town Travel, 18 meals, all accommodations, sightseeing with entrance fees, transportation within Japan and a professional tour escort throughout the trip. Some of the highlights of this tour will include: Tokyo, Asakusa, Sensoji Shrine, Tea Ceremony, Ginza, Lake Ashi Cruise, Matsumoto Castle, Takayama, Sake Tasting and Hida beef dinner, Kyoto, bullet train and Hiroshima. Exact dates and rates will be out shortly. For more information, please call the office.

Netherlands, Belgium & France with Collette Vacations September 2026

From iconic Dutch windmills and cozy Belgian streets to the world-renowned Champagne region and the “City of Light,” experience the essence of three European countries. This 12-day tour will include airfare from Newark, transfers to and from Newark airport from Home Town Travel, 16 meals, all accommodations, transportation throughout your journey, sightseeing with entrance fees and a professional escort. Some of the highlights of this tour will include: Amsterdam, Canal Cruise, Kinderdijk, Bruges, Reims, Route du Champagne, Paris Parisian Bakery Workshop, Parfum Workshop, Le Marais, Ile de la Cite, Seine River Cruise and Eiffel Tower dinner. Exact dates and rates will be out shortly.

We will be having an informative Wine and Cheese with Collette tours in April with all the information on promoted tours. Please make sure to RSVP early, date will be confirmed and will be in our news blast.

Princess Cruises Goes Country with New Music Partnership

Princess Cruises, in partnership with the Academy of Country Music (ACM), is bringing country music to the high seas with the ACM Live from the Red Barrel Lounge concert series. On Caribbean voyages departing Galveston, Texas, between Feb. 9 and March 17, guests aboard Regal Princess will enjoy live performances from some of country music's most exciting emerging artists, including chart-topping singer and ACM Award nominee Kameron Marlowe, reigning ACM New Vocal Duo or Group of the Year Tigirlily Gold, and America's Got Talent breakout stars Chapel Hart, along with other rising acts across several cruises sailing out of Galveston in early 2025 voyages. (Pictured above: Maddie & Tae being interviewed live from the Princess Stage at the 59th ACM Awards Show.)

As part of the series, six ascending country music acts will perform two, 45-minute concerts in the Princess Theater and interact with guests during Meet & Greet sessions.