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## Title

### CA 24 2024 Change in visa requirements for nationals of Colombia travelling to the United Kingdom.

## Summary

Colombia will become a visa mandatory country from 15:00hrs (GMT) on 26 November 2024. Some exemptions may apply during the transition period.

## Main text

With effect from 15:00hrs (GMT) on **26 November 2024**, unless they are exempt from UK visa requirements, nationals of Colombia seeking to enter the United Kingdom, must be in possession of a valid United Kingdom visa/entry clearance.

### Passengers in Transit

From 00:01hrs (GMT) on **27 November 2024**, unless they are exempt from UK visa requirements, nationals of Colombia seeking to transit airside through the United Kingdom, must be in possession of a Direct Airside Transit visa (DATV). There are exceptions to the DATV requirement for holders of other status documents. These are listed on the UK visa requirements information card found at [UK visa requirements \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk). Nationals of Colombia holding the documents listed do not require a DATV to transit airside through the United Kingdom.

### Transition period:

There will be a transition period from 15:00hrs (GMT) **26 November 2024** until 15:00hrs (GMT) **24 December 2024** for nationals of Colombia seeking to enter the UK, during which passengers who booked their travel before 15:00hrs (GMT) 26 November 2024 who arrive in the United Kingdom before 15:00hrs (GMT) **24 December 2024** may travel without a visa and Carriers Liability charges will not apply. However, carriers will need to be satisfied that the above criteria have been met.

Where a passenger's booking is made after 15:00hrs (GMT) on 26 November 2024 or they travel to the United Kingdom after 15:00hrs (GMT) 24 December 2024 without the requisite visa, Carriers Liability charges may apply.

There will also be a transition period from 00:01hrs (GMT) 27 November 2024 until 23:59hrs (GMT) 24 December 2024 for nationals of Colombia seeking to transit the UK airside to an onward destination. Colombian nationals who pre-booked to transit This alert is intended for carriers and their agents only, and not for further dissemination or to be used for any other purpose than provided. By accepting this information, you are agreeing to protect it from unauthorised access, disclosure and to dispose of the information securely when it is no longer relevant, in accordance with domestic law.

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airside prior to 00:01hrs (GMT) 27 November 2024 for arrival in the UK for transit before 23:59 (GMT) 24 December 2024 may travel without a Direct Airside Transit visa.

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