



Topic: Finnair Schengen/non Schengen traveling

Dear Team,

Pls notice this information regarding Schengen/Non-Schengen traveling:

All Schengen Member States require third country nationals' passports to be valid 3 months beyond the person's intended stay.

*The Timatic ADC in Altea alerts the agent if the passenger's passport is not valid 3 months **at the time when the passenger is travelling to the Schengen area**, it takes in to consideration **the date(s) of the flight(s) that the passenger is being checked-in on**. Unfortunately, ADC does not currently take into consideration the date when the passenger is leaving the Schengen area, so it does not check that the passport is still valid 3 months at that time.*

*Especially for non-EU/EEA nationals' passports that are valid less than 6 months at time of travel, **it is important that the agents at non-Schengen stations check that the passports are valid 3 months beyond the passenger's intended stay**. If the return or onward flight (departing the Schengen area) is in the same PNR, agents are expected to ensure that the passport is still valid on that date.*

We have in JAN-MAR 2024 received several Notifications of proposed fines from the Finnish Border Guard for passengers who have been accepted for travel with passports that are not valid 3 months beyond the passenger's intended stay and their return flights have been in the same PNR. Based on the decisions we have received for the first few cases; fines are to be expected for all these cases.

Thank you!