



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!