

UF Travel to Cuba: Acknowledgment of compliance with regulations

Beginning September 24, 2020, travel for professional conferences and meeting is no longer authorized without a specific license from the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control. Approval must be obtained by all UF travelers to Cuba prior to departure for UF-business purposes.

Travel to Cuba must be authorized via general or specific license. A general license authorizes a certain category of transactions, such as a category of travel. Examples of activities UF faculty and staff may utilize general licenses for include: journalistic activity, professional or institutional research, educational activities, or humanitarian projects.

The comprehensive US embargo on trade with Cuba remains in effect. This embargo restricts the items that you are permitted to take when traveling to Cuba and to return with from Cuba. You may take the following approved items to Cuba without the need for further consultation or permission:

- (1) Personally owned laptops and mobile devices as long as they are standard-issue, commercially available devices that do not contain (a) any export controlled information, data, or software or (b) specialized encryption software;
- (2) Personal effects for your use (including clothes, toiletries, medical supplies, food).

Any UF traveler planning to take items beyond those normally allowed as enumerated above or, if permanently exporting ANY ITEM, must consult and receive approval from UFRI before traveling. In no circumstance may you bring items to Cuba that qualify as defense articles controlled under the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR). Additionally, please be mindful that import of any research sample requires U.S. government approval.

Please acknowledge that you have read and agree to abide by these regulations by checking the appropriate boxes, providing the information required, and by signing below.

Travel and Equipment (Please check only one box)

- I will not be taking any UF-owned items to Cuba.
- I have consulted with the UF Research Integrity at (352) 392-2369, and have received approval for any items I will take when traveling to Cuba.

Mandatory Compliance Section (Check and complete all)

- I will obtain a Cuba travel letter from UFIC.
- I have reviewed the [updated list](#) of denied entities in Cuba and will not engage in any transaction (lodging or dining at these locations is prohibited) with those entities on the list.
- I will maintain records for 5 years from the date of all transactions engaged while in Cuba. Records must be available for examination by the Department of Treasury.
- I am staying at the following hotel and have ensured it is not listed on the Cuba Prohibited Accommodations List.

Name:

Dates of Travel:

Department or unit:

Signature:

Additional useful information on travel to Cuba is available on the following sites:

- US Treasury Department: https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Programs/Documents/cuba_faqs_new.pdf
- US Department of State: <https://www.state.gov/cuba-sanctions/>

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