

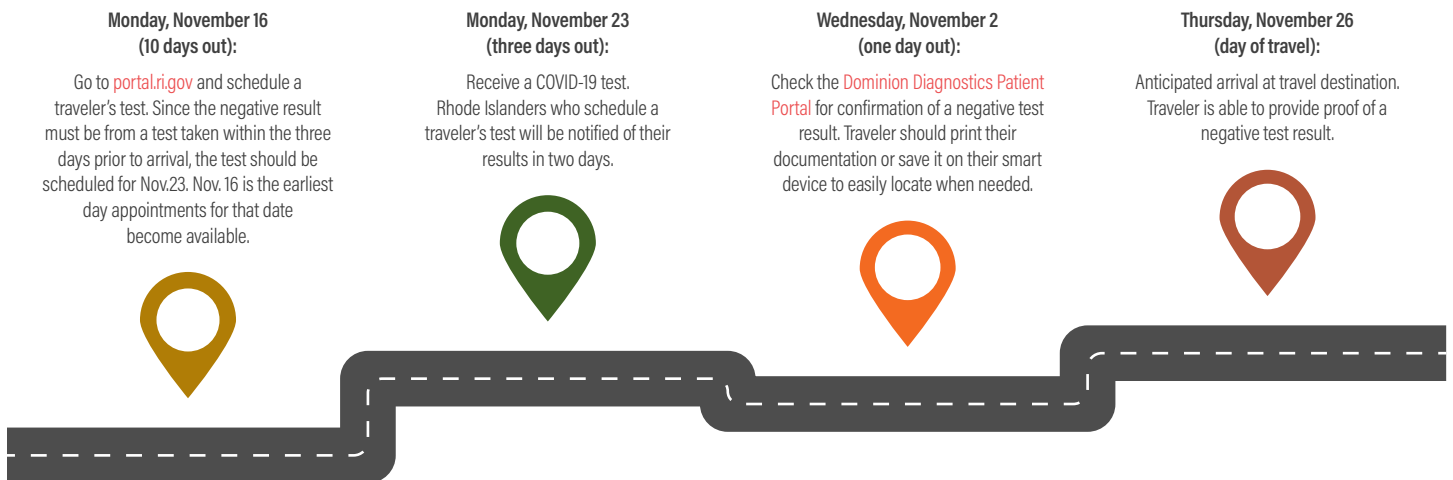
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Travel Tips: How to Build COVID-19 Testing into your Itinerary

Rhode Islanders planning to travel out of state should be mindful of any testing/quarantine requirements that may be in place at their destination. Some states require that visitors provide proof of a negative test result taken within 72 hours (three days) prior to their arrival.

Appointments become available in Rhode Island's test scheduling portal seven days in advance. Due to high demand for testing appointments, if you anticipate needing a test due to planned travel, RIDOH urges you to visit portal.ri.gov 10 days prior to your anticipated date of travel. This timeframe helps ensure you can schedule a test and receive your results before you arrive at your destination.

The sample timeline below provides guidance on how you can incorporate testing into your travel plans. In this example, a Rhode Islander is planning to arrive at their travel destination on Thursday, November 26—Thanksgiving Day



Rhode Islanders should also visit portal.ri.gov to schedule a test upon their return from out-of-state travel. Anyone traveling from countries outside of the US or a state identified as a hot spot must quarantine for 14 days when they return to Rhode Island. **Quarantining for 14 days is always preferred** over relying on a negative test result as quarantining is the best way to limit the possibility of spreading COVID-19.

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