

travel insurance

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Details of the following insurance companies have been passed on to us by people who have contacted our helpline. We do not endorse any of these companies. We would appreciate any feedback on these, or other insurance companies, so that we feel confident when passing on these details to other people.

If you have epilepsy, some insurance companies will charge you more because epilepsy is classed as a 'pre-existing medical condition'. To make sure that an insurance policy meets your needs, insurance companies will usually pass you on to their medical department. The medical department will ask you about the type of seizures you have and when your last seizure was. It may be worth contacting several companies to get the best quote. When you are offered a policy, it is worth checking what the policy does cover and what it does not cover (often called 'exclusions').

Please note: if you have a relative or dependant who has epilepsy but they are not travelling with you, it is a good idea to tell the insurance company about their epilepsy. If you have to cancel or cut short your holiday because of their epilepsy, and you haven't told the insurance company, your insurance may not cover you for your holiday.

If you are travelling within European Economic Areas (EEA countries) or Switzerland you can apply for a free European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). This gives you access to emergency healthcare for free or at a reduced cost until you return to the UK. However, the EHIC card is **not** an alternative to having your own travel insurance.

 Visit nhs.uk/healthcareabroad for more information and to apply for an EHIC card online.

travel insurance companies

Able 2 Travel

01892 839 501 / able2travel.com

Columbus Direct

0800 068 0060 / columbusdirect.com

Freedom Insurance Services Ltd

01223 446 914 / freedominsure.co.uk

Free Spirit Travel Insurance

0800 170 7704 / freespirittravelinsurance.com

goodtogoinsurance.com

0330 024 4503 / goodtogoinsurance.com

Orbis

01274 518 393 / orbisinsurance.co.uk

Saga

0800 015 0757 / saga.co.uk/insurance
(For people over 50)

The Insurance Surgery

0800 083 2829 / the-insurance-surgery.co.uk

Insurefor

0343 658 0220 / insurefor.com

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