

SOUTH AFRICA WORLD CUP BECKONS FOOTBALL SUPPORTERS

Mondial Assistance urges fans to buy travel insurance

English football fans will be planning their trip to South Africa for the World Cup finals in June, but Mondial Assistance in the UK urges them to buy travel insurance as soon as they book their flights. Supporters hoping for victory in South Africa should make sure they have adequate cover to protect them from unexpected events. The international leader in travel insurance warns fans not to wait until the last minute to book travel insurance, as many claims are made before the holiday begins.

Ben Smart, Sales Director for Travel at Mondial Assistance in the UK comments, “While football fans are still reeling with excitement at the news that England has qualified for the finals, tickets for the matches will be flying off the shelves. But supporters need to make sure that travel insurance is on their shopping list, alongside flights and hotels. June is a long way off and travellers should ensure they are covered against illness or injury before the trip, missed flights, cancellations or events such as redundancy.

“Travel insurance doesn’t just offer cover for the trip itself, but can also provide long-term protection against the cost of the trip should they have to cancel. By investing in adequate cover now, football fans can sit back and count down the days until kick-off, knowing that they are protected should the unexpected happen before or during their trip.”

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- Book your travel insurance as a priority. Check the details of your policy carefully when the documents arrive, BEFORE you leave for your trip, to make sure you have adequate cover for your holiday plans.
- Note down your travel insurance policy number and any emergency telephone numbers in two different places.
- Check your passport is valid for at least six months after your planned return date and whether it is nearly full as the rules vary by country. For further information check direct.gov.uk/en/TravelAndTransport/Passports/index.htm
- Check the Foreign and Commonwealth Office website for up to date travel advice for your destination fco.gov.uk/travel.
- Pack half your luggage in your companion's bag and vice versa – then if your luggage goes missing you will both have some items to tide you over for the trip.

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