

# Suspension of Membership Form – Overseas Travel

Please complete and send to:

PO Box 545, Strawberry Hills NSW 2012 or email to [enquiries@transporthealth.com.au](mailto:enquiries@transporthealth.com.au)



Member number

Member name

Address

Date of departure from Australia

Date of return to Australia

Period of suspension

Days

Months

Current date paid to

Your membership must be paid up until your date of departure.

Current Level of Cover

Members on Extras only cannot suspend their membership.

## Declaration:

I have read and understand the criteria regarding overseas suspension, and acknowledge that I must contact Transport Health within 7 days of my return to Australia and provide written confirmation of my departure and arrival dates.

Signature

Date

## Criteria for Eligibility:

- Fund rules allow for the suspension of membership if you are travelling overseas for an extended period.
- Members on EXTRAS only cover CANNOT suspend their membership.
- Continuous cover must have been held for 12 months before you are able to suspend your cover.
- The minimum period of suspension is **30 days**. The maximum period of suspension is **12 months**.
- Your membership **MUST** be paid up until at least your day of departure or beyond. When your membership is paid in advance of your departure date, these funds will be credited to your membership upon resumption. For those members paying through PAYROLL, you will need to ensure that the membership is financial until your day of departure.
- Overseas suspension must be organised prior to your departure from Australia.
- Members **MUST** notify Transport Health of their return to Australia within 7 Days of arrival. A copy of written confirmation, flight ticket, boarding pass or passport confirming dates of departure from Australia and arrival back into Australia are required for reinstatement of membership.
- Any waiting periods not served prior to departure will be applicable when the membership is reinstated.
- Further overseas suspensions are only permitted once the member has held continuous membership for a further 12 months following reinstatement.
- Possible Tax Penalties: The Medicare Levy Surcharge applies to singles and families on higher incomes who do not contribute to private hospital cover. Should you suspend your cover whilst overseas you may no longer be exempt for the Medicare Levy Surcharge for the period of suspension. You should seek advice from your Tax Agent or the Australian Taxation Office in relation to your personal circumstances. For further information about the Medicare Levy Surcharge visit [www.privatehealth.gov.au](http://www.privatehealth.gov.au).