

REAL ID Extended to May 7, 2025

The Department of Homeland Security extended the REAL ID deadline to May 7, 2025. The REAL ID Act established minimum security standards for state-issued driver's licenses and identification cards and prohibits Federal agencies from accepting for official purposes licenses and identification cards from states that do not meet these standards. Beginning May 7, 2025, every state and territory resident will need to present a REAL ID compliant license/ID, or another acceptable form of ID for boarding commercial aircraft, accessing Federal facilities and entering nuclear plants. The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) considers a current passport or military ID acceptable identification for boarding an aircraft. For more information on Pennsylvania's REAL ID compliant license, visit dmv.pa.gov/REALID/Pages/default.aspx.

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AAA Auto Pay is the convenient way to pay your membership dues! There are no checks to write, no stamps to buy, no late payments and no risk of having your membership lapse. Choose AAA Auto Pay and your membership dues will be automatically charged to your credit card, debit card, or checking account each year. When you enroll using your credit or debit card, your account will be charged seven business days prior to the membership expiration date. Enroll by using your checking account and your account will be charged one day in advance of the expiration date. To learn more or enroll in AAA's Auto Pay Program, call 1-800-441-5008 or visit your local AAA branch office. To sign up online, log in to your membership account at AAA.com and select "Enroll" in the Bill.

Free Battery Wellness Clinics from AAA

October is Fall Car Care Month and AAA East Central is hosting Free Battery Wellness Clinics to celebrate. State-of-the-art diagnostic equipment will confirm whether your battery will hold a charge. If a new battery is needed, one can be installed on the spot. The high-quality, AAA-branded battery comes with a three-year, free-replacement warranty, and AAA members receive a discount. Battery checks will be available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at these AAA office locations:

- Tuesday, Oct. 10**
Erie
• 6660 Peach Street, 412-833-5203

No appointment necessary. If your battery fails the test, new batteries will be available for purchase and installed on the spot at a special AAA Member price.

AAA Shred Event October 13

AAA East Central is hosting a free Shred event Friday, October 13. Members are invited to bring up to five storage boxes (nonmembers, three boxes) filled with paperwork containing personally identifiable information for free-on-site shredding to reduce the risk of identity theft. All shredded materials will be recycled. The time is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the AAA Erie branch (6660 Peach Street).

Norwegian adding more Joy to cruising

Updates, including Thermal Suite, enhance ship's appeal

Norwegian Cruise Line is working to increase the pleasures of cruising. It's doing so by enhancing one of its popular vessels, *Norwegian Joy*.

The ship is scheduled to undergo enhancements in January to elevate the onboard experience with offerings that include a Thermal Suite in the Mandara Spa and Salon, expanded Vibe Beach Club, 24 new staterooms, redesigned Three Bedroom Heaven Premier Owner's Suites and more.

The three-week dry dock will take place from January 22 to February 12. Once completed, guests will have access to the Thermal Suite, the largest of the Breakaway-Plus class ships. Designed with Norwegian-guest feedback in mind, the spa will boast a more centralized layout with an unparalleled arrival experience, featuring elegant sculptures and entrance corridor encompassed by waterfalls.

A separate lounge area will feature three times as many popular hostel loungers, and guests will be able to enjoy easy access to relaxing and reinvigorating experiences, including a sauna, ice room and aromatic-steam room. Other offerings include a Biostation with IV Drip Therapy, a rejuvenating treatment that delivers essential nutrients to the body; four-senses loungers; and Kneipp haptic-foot therapy, which massages feet



SWEET THERAPY – *Norwegian Joy's* facelift will include the Thermal Suite Relaxation Lounge. Image: Norwegian.

as guests walk across the pebbled moving stream that alternates between hot and cold foot baths.

"Delivering exceptional experiences across our fleet is what we strive to do," said David J. Herrera, president of Norwegian Cruise Line. "We have listened to our guests and have taken action. With this revitalization, we are adding some of the most beloved spaces and offerings across our ships to enhance the guest experience aboard

Norwegian Joy. Guests will have a greater variety of staterooms to choose from and a world class, full-service spa to spend their days at sea fully immersed in relaxation."

The redesign also will include repurposing a portion of the Observation Lounge to create 24 new balcony staterooms, as well as recategorizing 40 new spa-balcony staterooms that will include direct access to the Mandara Spa and the premiering Thermal Suite.

The Haven by Norwegian Premier Owner's Suites with a Large Balcony will be expanded to three bedrooms. The two suites will include three bedrooms, three-and-a-half bathrooms, a fully renovated living room, master bedroom and outdoor balcony furniture. They also will have separate dining rooms that overlook The Haven Horizon Lounge.

The Haven by Norwegian is the company's exclusive ship-within-a-ship and key-card-access-only complex that features spacious suites and dedicated experiences, including concierge service, a private pool, restaurant and bar.

The Vibe Beach Club also will be expanded. The adults-only spot will take over the existing Laser Tag arena on Deck 20. The space will boast a similar layout to the Vibe Beach Club found on *Norwegian Encore* and *Norwegian Bliss*, with new private cabanas.

Norwegian Joy will resume sailings February 13, when it embarks on an 11-day transatlantic voyage from Southampton, U.K. to Miami. In March, the ship will cruise seven-day, round-trip Caribbean voyages from Miami before sailing to Bermuda from New York in the summer.

Visit your local AAA branch to meet with a travel advisor or visit AAA.com/Travel to learn more about Norwegian cruises or other cruise lines.

Holiday season sparkles on Disney cruises

Magical enchantments make voyages unforgettable times

The holiday season is quickly approaching and Disney Cruise Line is poised to make sure it's a memorable experience. New festivities will be added to an impressive lineup of celebrations and activities that enhance family adventures.

Simply put, Disney Cruise Line will be filled with the spirit of the holidays. Traditions rise and come to life as its vessels churn through the waters of the high seas. Revel in a delightful journey.

Guests will gather around a three-deck-tall tree in the ship's atrium for a new tree-lighting ceremony on the first night of all Very Merrytime sailings. Mickey, Minnie and Goofy will invite guests to sing along to classic holiday music, followed by a countdown that not only will make the tree merry and bright, but also will introduce the guest of honor for the cruise, Santa Claus.

Mickey and Minnie's Holiday Party is another new addition to these special sailings. It invites families to the upper decks for a unique celebration filled with good tidings and cheer. This energetic party will feature favorite Disney friends as they celebrate friendship, love and family with a mix of classic and original holiday songs.

The Disney Cruise Line decks and



HAPPY TIMES – Celebrate the holiday season with Mickey and Minnie and the rest of the Disney family on a Very Merrytime cruise. Image: Disney.

halls also will be filled with boughs of holly from bow-to-stern. The guest-favorite sailings will include:

- Beloved Disney characters debuting new holiday attire.
- Themed Very Merrytime activities for the entire family.
- Carolers singing contemporary versions of songs that celebrate a

host of holidays.

- Commemorative merchandise and festive food and beverage items.

Adults and children will discover the wonder of the holidays aboard Very Merrytime sailings on cruises from Florida and California. Holiday cheer will fill your heart, making this the

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ultimate vacationing experience.

Disney Cruise Line will set sail from a new South Florida home in Fort Lauderdale, offering four- and five-night Very Merrytime cruises aboard *Disney Dream* to tropical locales in the western Caribbean and The Bahamas. Also in Florida, *Disney Wish* and *Disney Fantasy* will continue sailing from Port Canaveral to The Bahamas and Caribbean.

Disney Magic will set sail to Baja and the Mexican Riviera from San Diego for holiday sailings before wrapping up the season in Galveston, Texas with Very Merrytime cruises to the western Caribbean.

To learn more about Disney cruises, visit your nearest AAA branch office to meet with a travel advisor or visit AAA.com/Travel.