

# GRBrief

## Here's What's Happening at Green Bay Austin Straubel International Airport

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### What you need to know about TSA's new ID requirements

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will start to enforce REAL ID requirements at airport security checkpoints starting January 22, 2018. The [REAL ID Act](#), passed by Congress in 2005, established the minimum-security standards for state-issued driver's licenses and identification cards. If a state doesn't meet these minimum standards (called a non-compliant state), TSA will not accept licenses and ID cards from that state.

#### So how does this affect you?

TSA will continue to accept driver's licenses issued by all states until January 22, 2018. If your state is REAL ID-compliant or noncompliant with an extension, you have until October 2020 to replace your current license with a REAL ID compliant license. If your state is non-compliant without an extension, you will need to replace it before January 22, 2018.


*Wisconsin:* compliant

*Michigan and Illinois:* not currently compliant but with an extension

*Minnesota:* non-compliant without an extension

As always, travelers may use alternate forms of identification such as a passport, military ID, or permanent resident card. For more information, visit the [Department of Homeland Security's website](#).

**REAL ID**  
What ID Do I Need to Fly Domestically?



I live in...	As of Oct. 2016	As of Jan 22, 2018	As of Oct 1, 2020
AL, AZ, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, HI, IA, IN, KS, MD, MS, NE, NV, OH, SD, TN, UT, VT, WV, WI, WY	You can continue to use your license to fly in the U.S.	You can continue to use your license to fly in the U.S.	License must be REAL ID compliant
AK, AR, AS, CA, GU, ID, IL, LA, MA, MI, MP, MT, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NM, NY, OR, PR, RI, TX, VA, VI	You can continue to use your license to fly in the U.S.	You can continue to use your license to fly in the U.S.	Your state will be compliant or noncompliant by 2020; continue to check for updates
KY, ME, MN, MO, OK, PA, SC, WA	You can continue to use your license to fly in the U.S.	You will need an alternative identification to fly in the U.S.	You will need an alternative identification to fly in the U.S.

## Carolers welcome holiday travelers at GRB

Carolers from Renaissance Assisted Living in De Pere entertained holiday travelers at GRB on December 12. Approximately a dozen residents and staff participated in the caroling. "It's always wonderful when local groups and organizations come to entertain travelers," said Airport Director Tom Miller. "It really helps put people in the holiday spirit."



### The holidays were a busy season at GRB

In the months of September, October, November and December, total passenger numbers were up from 2015 by approximately 8%, 9.5%, 8% and 11.3% respectively.

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## Austin Straubel recognized with new display

A new, three-panel display about Green Bay native, and WWII hero, [Austin Straubel](#), has been installed at GRB. Located in the main terminal's baggage claim area, the display chronicles the life of Austin Straubel, including his early years in Green Bay, all the way through to his heroic service in World War II. The research for the display, which includes photos and graphics, was conducted by retired Pentagon attorney John Dodds. Next time you're waiting for your bags to arrive, take a few minutes to view the exhibit and learn more about Austin Straubel and his life of dedication and service to others.



## Stress-Free Spring Break Travel Tips

- **Take advantage of the deals.** Lots of hotels and resorts run special spring break promotions. It never hurts to do a little extra research before booking to save you some hard-earned cash!
- **Book early.** Don't wait until a few weeks before your Spring Break vacation to start planning. If you can, buy everything from the plane ticket to the surfing class as soon as possible. Booking in advance guarantees you a spot and will most likely be cheaper as well.
- **Travel on less busy days.** Typically, airfare is less costly on a mid-week day. So, if you can, avoid traveling on the weekends of Spring Break. Flying close to home at GRB also means you can spend more time on your vacation and less time traveling to your vacation.



- **Pack wisely.** Make a packing list a week or two before you leave and whittle it down as you get closer to your departure date. After all, do you really need your own beach towel when the hotel will provide one? Or that extra pair of jeans when it's going to be too hot to wear them? Also, leave some extra space in your luggage so you have room for anything you buy on your vacation.

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## **We want to give our snowplowing crews a big shout out!**

GRB has already received almost 30" of snow and subzero temperatures this winter, with more certainly on the way. The airside and landside crews have been doing a great job keeping our runways, taxiways, roadways, parking lots and sidewalks clear. This is a large task, especially since the Federal Aviation Administration implemented new runway condition reporting requirements in October 2016.

"The guys have been working around the clock. We have had to learn a new way of reporting runway conditions to the airlines and the tower, but the hard work of our crew and Airport Public Safety has made the transition smooth," stated John Behrendt, Airfield Operations Supervisor. Responsible for the public roadways, parking lots and sidewalks, Rick Norgren, Building and Grounds Supervisor, stated, "It has been a challenging winter already, but we will continue to work hard to keep our passengers as safe as possible." Thank you to everyone at GRB for their part in keeping GRB open and safe; it truly is a team effort.

If you'd like to see their snowplowing in action, click on the video below:





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