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Global Entry Program Open at Detroit Metropolitan Airport

Pre-approved Air Travelers Receive Expedited Processing

Detroit - U.S. Customs and Border Protection's new clearance system for international air passengers, Global Entry, is open at Detroit Metropolitan Airport. Global Entry uses a risk-based approach to facilitate the entry of pre-approved U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents of the U.S. and citizens of certain other countries. Global Entry allows prescreened, approved, registered travelers to receive expedited processing upon arrival at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

Global Entry is a Customs and Border Protection initiative that streamlines the screening process at airports for trusted travelers through biometric verification. Global Entry allows pre-approved travelers to use automated kiosks to process their arrivals at CBP inspection areas, essentially bypassing the regular passport processing lines.

"Global Entry is an example of Customs and Border Protection's commitment to facilitating legitimate trade and travel at our nation's borders," stated Christopher Perry, Director Field Operations, Customs and Border Protection. "By providing pre-approved travelers an expedited clearance process our officers can focus on processing other arriving passengers."

Global Entry participation is voluntary. Participants must possess a machine-readable U.S. passport or permanent resident card, pay a non-refundable \$100 application fee, submit an online application, and complete an interview at a CBP enrollment center.

"Detroit is a major international gateway, especially for flights from Asia and Europe, as well as a hub airport for Delta, the world's largest airline," said airport authority CEO Lester Robinson. "We treasure our international passengers and this added convenience provided by US Customs and Border Protection is one more customer service we can highlight when marketing our airport and our region."

The Global Entry process was piloted in 2008 at John F. Kennedy (JFK) International Airport, N.Y.; Washington Dulles International Airport, Dulles, Va.; and Houston Intercontinental Airport, Houston, Texas. Global Entry is now available at Miami, Atlanta,

Los Angeles, Chicago, Sea-Tac, Dallas, Newark, San Francisco, Boston, Orlando, Honolulu, Las Vegas, Orland-Sanford, Philadelphia, San Juan and Fort Lauderdale, as well as Detroit.

Additional information on the Global Entry program (including enrollment application) is available on the CBP Web site, www.cbp.gov.

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