

MOUNT ETNA, SICILY TRAVEL ADVISORY

Information about Mount Etna, Sicily

Following a 4.8 magnitude earthquake, Mount Etna in Sicily recently erupted. Experts note that emissions close to the Bocca Nuova crater are a sign that magma remains close to the surface. While some flights are experiencing delays, the airport continues to operate as normal. We will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as required and advise those travelling to stay safe and follow the instructions of any local authorities.

Useful Information

Your policy provides a number of benefits, conditions, limits and exclusions that may be relevant to your travel plans. Your cover will depend on the type of plan you purchased and your circumstances. We will assess all claims in accordance with your Policy Wording and your Certificate of Insurance.

If you entered into a policy before 9am (NZT) Monday 31 December, 2018:

If you are currently travelling:

It is always our priority to assist our customers where possible and within our ability to do so.

- If your transport is delayed or cancelled or your accommodation is affected due to the volcano, you may be able to claim for additional travel, accommodation and meal expenses. We will automatically extend the coverage period on your reasonable return to New Zealand.
- Terms, conditions, limits and exclusions apply under your policy. For full details, you should refer to the Policy Wording and Certificate of Insurance you received when you purchased your travel insurance.

If you have not yet departed:

- If your pre-booked travel arrangements are cancelled, delayed or rescheduled by your travel provider as a result of the volcano, you may be able to make a claim for cancellation or rearrangement of your journey. Please refer to your Policy Wording for the terms, conditions, limits and exclusions that apply.
- If your travel arrangements have been affected, contact your travel agent or travel provider regarding the best option in altering your trip. Some travel providers may provide penalty free options to amend travel arrangements and they should be able to provide further details.

What next steps should you take?

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- You should try to minimise your expenses including rearranging your journey where possible. If you have been using, for example, two-star accommodation on your trip to date, then any replacement accommodation should be of a similar standard.
- Keep all receipts for any additional transport, food or accommodation expenses. If you are claiming cancellation or additional expenses you will need to submit documents showing what your original planned pre-paid arrangements were, along with any receipts and documents showing your new arrangements, and advice from the travel provider indicating the non-refundable portion of the journey.

How to contact us

- If you have any general queries, please contact our Allianz Partners Information Hotline on **0800 800 048** or **+64 9 486 0048**.
- To make a claim visit our website www.claimmanager.co.nz
- We will publish this and any updated travel insurance advisories on our website: www.allianzpartners.co.nz

If you entered into a policy *after* 9am (NZT) Monday 31 December, 2018:

- We would expect that this was done with an awareness of the volcano. For these policies, we will not pay any claim caused by or in any way connected with this event. Our policies do not cover claims for losses caused by something that you were aware of at the time of purchasing your policy.

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