



Australian Government
Department of Immigration and Citizenship

22. Change to TIETAR function for Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) Applications through Global Distribution Systems (GDS) and ETA/CTA Applications through Airlines

Change to TIETAR function

Due to the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) streamlining its offshore visa and border entry systems and procedures, a small change has been made to the TIETAR function.

The change has introduced a new checking procedure for ETA applications.

This change has been designed to have as little impact as possible on business users.

What has changed?

Previously the ETA System (ETAS) allowed airlines and GDS to enter multiple ETA applications as long as each was on a new date. Under the new procedures, ETAS will check the previous seven days for an ETA application. If an issued ETA is found, the system will respond with a 9001 message – 'Visa in effect, can not apply for an ETA'.

This change will not affect Internet ETA applications.

When was this change implemented?

This was implemented on Tuesday, 21 October 2008.

No changes to airline or GDS reservation systems are required.

Who to Contact?

For further information contact:

CPS Systems Pty Ltd

John.Leplaw@sita.aero

Tel +61 2 9968 5700

Fax +61 2 9953 8083

Where can you find further information?

Further information on this change is included in the current version of the ETAS Manual:

<http://www.immi.gov.au/managing-australias-borders/border-security/air/eta/manual/index.htm>

or

<http://www.immi.gov.au/>

Bulletin 22. Produced by Offshore Border and International Section of the Department of Immigration and Citizenship.

24 October 2008.

© Commonwealth of Australia 2008