# Flying through Shabbat for Business

If you fly through *Shabbat* (permitted for business only), you must keep even *Shabbat d'rabanan* while flying over the area of the earth that is in *Shabbat*.
If you fly east (such as from Asia to the US, across the Pacific) after *Shabbat* is over, you will re-enter *Shabbat* and may not do *melacha* on the airplane. Say the *Shabbat* prayers and *kiddush* at the appropriate local time where you are flying.

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