

# The Production Must Go On!

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## TV & Film Sector Travelling throughout lockdown – the production must go on!

One sector that has been exempt from most of the business travel restrictions during the pandemic has been our clients in TV & Film Production. Organising travel and accommodation for productions is always unique, but even more so in the midst of a pandemic. However, the production must go on!

Delays in cast members arriving or certain equipment not being in place at the correct time can cause significant financial implications for productions. Understanding this is why our team have been so successful. Beyond Business Travel have a dedicated film team that provide a tailored service which is so important to production managers. This includes flexible entertainment airline fares, organising special baggage requirements, arranging VIP 'meet & greets' and private car transfers.

Our team have over 20 years experience working across the spectrum, with high end TV & Film production studios, through to smaller independent production companies. Our added value helps production managers keep control of budgets and deal with any issues quickly and efficiently.

Some of the large productions worked on during the pandemic were “**Northman**” (an upcoming historical thriller film), the ever-popular TV series “**Line of Duty**” and the firm family favourite, **Mastermind**.

Our team were on hand 24:7 to help and provide travel advice to those production companies, to ensuring they selected a travel route that would be both practical and seamless for their travellers and equipment.

## CLIENT MESSAGE

“TV and Film Industry working hours are not the normal 9-5 and both the Beyond team and the out of hour's service have exceeded our expectations in service delivery, response and dealing with unusual requests. Their 'can do' attitude and personal relationship have ensured the continued success of the partnership.”



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## **Some of the challenges that the Beyond Business team helped with:**

### **Regional lockdowns**

Airlines were quick to change and/or reduce their flight schedules, which resulted in some drastic and often last- minute flight cancellations on routes.

### **Baggage restrictions**

Baggage restrictions differ between airlines, so the challenge was securing enough space on the limited flights that were operating for large equipment.

### **Consultative Working**

Working consultatively with the production companies to get a better understanding of their production travel exemptions, this also then helped us to shape their domestic and international travel plans accordingly.

### **Country entry / exit requirements**

Travellers coming from different countries would frequently change, we were on hand to offer latest travel advice and information that helped the production companies select the best route or ferry for them.

### **Declarations**

Paperwork/declarations for quarantine rules that needed to be completed.

### **Covid – 19 testing**

## **CLIENT MESSAGES**

"Beyond carefully monitored airline schedules throughout the Covid lockdowns and kept us well informed of any potential issues to our travel. They reacted well to the challenges of reduced flights and multiple changes .... I look forward to working with the team at Beyond Business Travel on future productions."

"In my role as a Film and TV Producer I require a great deal of travel for cast and crew from all over the world. Beyond Business Travel have been managing these travel needs on my various projects for more than 10 years, including an award winning production of a HBO TV Mini Series & multiple large scale feature films."