



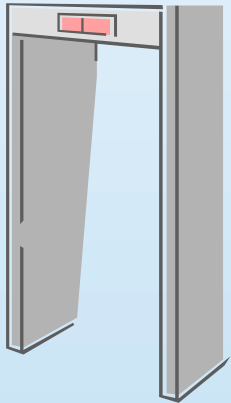
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The Evolution of TSA Aviation Security Policies Regarding Sikh Turbans: UNITED SIKHS Advocates Against Racial/Religious Profiling at U.S. Airports

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After passing through the metal detector with no alarm triggered



No Additional Screening



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*Note: This diagram only represents instances when Sikhs have not triggered any security devices. If a Sikh does trigger the metal detector, AIT, or ETD, or something is discovered during a full-body pat-down, additional searches may be required. This may include full body pat-downs, and in extreme circumstances when the ETD machine is triggered, the removal of a Sikh's turban. In such a case, a Sikh should always remember that they have the absolute right to request a private screening. That is also true for any other additional screening that a Sikh must undergo.

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Automatic Secondary Screening for "Bulky Clothing" (includes Turbans): Explosive Trace Detection (ETD) Test

Three Options:

1. Self-Pat-Down of the Turban
2. Transportation Security Officer Pat-Down of the Turban
3. Private Screening (Option 1 or 2)

After the turban pat-down, your hands will be swabbed for chemical residue



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Metal Detector: (See Section 2)

AIT: "Virtual Strip Search" (Turbans are per se considered an anomaly because of the folds/layers)

Automatic Secondary Screening for "Bulky Clothing" (a Turbans): Explosive Trace Detection (ETD) Test with 3 options

Tertiary Screening with Metal Hand Wand

**If you do not wish to pass through AIT, you have the option to Opt-Out of AIT*

Opt-out of AIT: Prison-Style Pat Down

Automatic Secondary Screening for "Bulky Clothing": Explosive Trace Detection (ETD) Test with 3 options (see 2nd column)

Tertiary Screening with Metal Hand Wand

After passing through AIT, all turbans will be considered and anomaly and subject to additional screening



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