

Open Skies Agreement

Please note: if you are not utilizing the travel portal or booking with Caltech's preferred agency a screenshot of the City Pair results, and waiver form must be attached to your expense report.

Travel to Japan – per the Open Skies agreement between U.S. and Japan, you may fly on any Japanese airline but **ONLY** when:

Japan
Nippon Airways
Japan Airlines

- ✓ **Travel is NOT funded by DOD** (Department of Defense) or **U.S. Military, AND**
- ✓ **U.S. government DOES NOT have a published airfare rate for your travel route** (City-Pair Agreement)

The GSA's City Pair Program offers government negotiated fares for flights between certain cities. If a city-pair agreement is in effect, you may not claim an Open Skies exception and must fly on a US flag carrier or US code share carrier.

Check Airfares City Pair Search before booking flights to determine if a city pair agreement is in effect. After entering your departure and arrival cities, the search tool will either display the city pair agreement fares, or will report "There are no awards for the requested city pair," in which the Open Skies Exemption can be used.

The screenshot shows the 'Fare Finder' search tool interface. At the top left, it says 'Fare Finder' and the URL is 'https://cpsearch.fas.gsa.gov/'. On the left side, there is a vertical 'SEARCH' button. The main content area contains a 'Note' stating that information must be provided for at least one of the form fields below. It also provides instructions for domestic routes (use airport code) and international routes (use city codes like Washington(WAS)). Below this, there are two sets of input fields: one for 'Select a Departure City' with a dropdown menu and a text input field, and another for 'Select an Arrival City' with a dropdown menu and a text input field. At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'Search FY 18' and 'Search FY 17'.