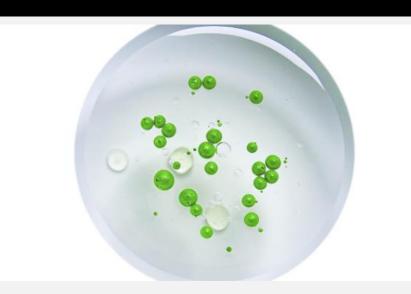
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COVID-19 Global Mobility update

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Dear all,

Please find below our most recent Mobility related global updates specifically related to the COVID-19 crisis and current guidance or measures that different countries are putting into place.

If you have any questions on below, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Updates by country:

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Combating COVID-19 with resilience

<u>Visit our Deloitte COVID-19 webpage</u> to see a collection of Global Deloitte insights to help businesses manage and mitigate the risk associated with COVID-19.

<u>Brazil - COVID-19: Foreign nationals restricted from</u> entering

What is the change?

Brazil has again extended the suspension of inbound travel for foreign nationals to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

Key Points:

- For the 15-day period that began June 20, foreign nationals will not be allowed to enter the country by air, land or water.
- Exemptions are available for: Brazilian nationals; immigrants with definitive residence authorization; close family of Brazilian nationals (except for Venezuela nationals); foreign professionals working for international organizations; foreign employees with Brazilian government accreditation; passengers transiting through Brazil who will not leave the international area of the airport and will be permitted entry to their destination country; humanitarian travel; technical landings for refueling, provided restricted nationals do not disembark from the aircraft; and cargo transportation in compliance with current laws.
- The suspension also does not apply to foreign maritime crew members who:
 - Possess a Seaman's Book granted under International Labor Organization Convention terms;
 - Are required to enter the country by the maritime agent to the Federal Police in order to perform certain duties while on a vessel or a platform operating in Brazilian jurisdictional waters; and
 - o Possess an entry visa if required.

Brazil suspended inbound travel from most of Europe and some Latin American and Asian countries in the third week of March. Air travel was then suspended for all foreign nationals at the end of March. The suspension has been extended a number of times since then.

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<u>Canada - Some VACs resuming operation, offering limited</u> services

What is the change?

Canadian Visa Application Centres in some parts of the world have begun resuming services, even as COVID-19 travel restrictions remain in place.

Key Points:

- More than three dozen VACs have reopened, including VACs in Melbourne and Sydney, Australia; Paris, France; Berlin, Germany; Rome, Italy; Madrid, Spain; Abu Dhabi and Dubai, United Arab Emirates; and a number of locations in China, including Beijing and Shanghai. Up-to-date information on which VACs are open is available here.
- Services remain limited, even at VACs that have reopened. Applicants are encouraged to visit the relevant VAC's website to determine which services are available before traveling to a VAC.
- New safety measures have been put in place at VACs that have reopened. Such
 measures may include limiting the number of people allowed inside VACs,
 checking temperature of applicants and staff and use of hand sanitizer, gloves,
 face masks and face shields.
- VACs that remain closed will contact applicants, if necessary, to reschedule appointments that have been cancelled.

Background

While some services have resumed at VACs, applicants should note that COVID-19 travel restrictions remain in place. Currently, most foreign nationals are not allowed to travel to Canada, even if they hold a valid visitor visa or electronic travel authorization (eTA). Only those who fall under an exemption or are coming for an essential purpose are permitted entry. All travelers must quarantine for 14 days upon arrival.

Although travel restrictions remain in place, some VACs are not offering services, such as biometrics collection, that will help expedite the travel process once restrictions are lifted. Applicants are encouraged to check this website and the website of the VAC they intend to visit to determine which services are available at this time. Canada's response to COVID-19 continues to develop, and more information will be provided as it becomes available.

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Nepal - Notice regarding visa regulation services

What is the change?

In view of the nationwide lockdown, foreign nationals who are holding tourist visas that are valid until 21 March 2020 will not be subjected to any charges (visa fee, late fee, or penalty) at the immigration offices during the time of their departure if they depart within 15 days from the resumption of international flights. They will not be required to visit the Department of Immigration.

Foreign nationals holding tourist visas that are valid until 21 March 2020 and wish to convert their visa category, and foreign nationals holding all other visa types expiring after 21 March 2020, will be subjected only to the regular visa fee, without late fees or penalties, until 14 August 2020.

Visa applications can be done online at this <u>link</u>. Foreign nationals who wish to convert their visa category from tourist to other categories are requested to first apply for a tourist visa. They can only apply for other visa categories through the same URL after their tourist visas have been regulated.

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Pakistan - Validity of visas issued to foreign nationals

What is the change?

In view of the COVID-19 situation, all types of visas issued to foreign nationals who are currently in Pakistan, that have expired since 15 March 2020 or are near their expiry date, shall be deemed to be valid until 30 June 2020.

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Pakistan - Resumption of international flights

What is the change?

With effect from 20 June 2020, 12.01 a.m. (PST), international flights to/from all international airports in Pakistan, except Gwadar and Turbat Airports, have been allowed to resume.

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For the latest country-specific travel restrictions and immigration information in relation to COVID-19, visit gowork.ges.deloitte to view Deloitte's Digital travel Map.













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