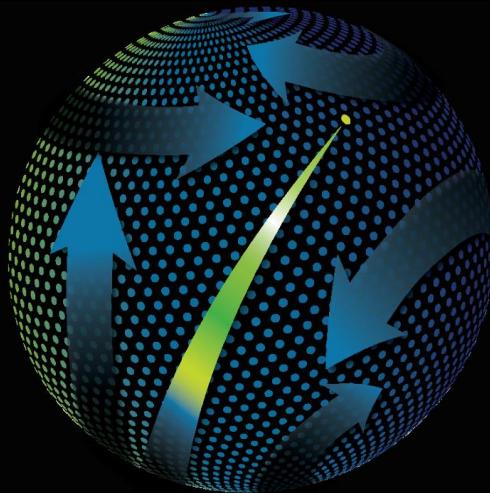




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The COVID-19 pandemic is a rapidly evolving situation, and authorities across the globe frequently update their travel advisories and immigration policies in response to the outbreak situation on the ground. In this series of news alerts, we will provide you with the latest news to keep you up to date on the developments in our region.



For the latest country-specific travel restrictions and immigration information in relation to COVID-19, visit [gowork.ges.deloitte](http://gowork.ges.deloitte) to view Deloitte's digital travel map (beta release).

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## **Malaysia**

### **Government to postpone entry of students and workers from locations categorised as being at high risk of Omicron variant infections**

The Star | 1 December 2021

The Government will postpone the entry of international students and foreign workers arriving from the following locations categorised as being at high risk of COVID-19 Omicron variant infections: Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, and Zimbabwe.

There are no entry restrictions for Malaysians or those holding long-term passes, such as those with permanent residency status, spouse visas, Malaysia My Second Home programme, and residence passes. However, they would be subject to a compulsory 14-day quarantine regardless of their vaccination status. In addition, they will need to undergo reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction tests 72 hours before flying, after arriving at the international travel gates, and on the 10th day of quarantine. A risk assessment will also be conducted on the 14th day in quarantine, and there will be an extension of the quarantine period if there are symptoms.



**More information**

### **Additional COVID-19 rapid tests for those entering Malaysia via the vaccinated travel lane (VTL) with Singapore**

Channel NewsAsia | 1 December 2021

Travellers entering Malaysia from Singapore, either via the land or air VTL, would be required to take additional self-administered tests using rapid antigen test kits on the third and seventh day of arrival. These results will have to be reported on the MySejahtera application.



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## **Myanmar**

### **Suspension of international flights extended until 31 December 2021**

Yangon Aerodrome Company | 1 December 2021

Restrictions on international airlines operating air services to and from Yangon International Airport have been extended until 31 December 2021, 11.59 p.m. (MST).



**More information**

#### **Announcement of the central committee on prevention, control, and treatment of COVID-19**

The Global New Light of Myanmar | 30 November 2021

All public requests, orders, notifications, and directives (except those relating to the easing of the restrictions) released by the union-level organisations and union ministries have been extended to 31 December 2021 for the prevention, control, and treatment of COVID-19.



**More information**

#### **Singapore**

##### **Latest updates on testing protocols**

Immigration & Checkpoints Authority | 2 December 2021

Testing protocols for travellers arriving in Singapore from 2 December 2021, 11.59 p.m., will be enhanced in order to step up detection and containment of the Omicron variant, until more information is available. These measures will apply for four weeks and will be reviewed and extended if necessary.

- Pre-departure testing for travellers arriving from category I countries/regions**

In addition to an on-arrival polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test, travellers arriving from category I countries/regions will be required to take a COVID-19 pre-departure test within two days before departure, and obtain a copy of the negative COVID-19 test report that:

- Is an Antigen Rapid Test (ART) administered by a trained professional (self-swabs are not allowed), or a PCR test taken at an internationally accredited or recognised lab/clinic/medical facility;
- Is in english (or accompanied with an english translation); and

- Contains the following: COVID-19 test results and date of test, traveller's name, and date of birth or passport number (per passport used to travel to Singapore).

This measure currently already applies to category II, III, and IV travellers.

- **On-arrival PCR test for travellers arriving from category II, III, and IV countries/regions**

Travellers arriving from category II, III, and IV countries/regions will be subject to an on-arrival PCR test. They must register and pay for these tests prior to arrival:

- Entry by air: S\$125 ([Register here](#))
- Entry by land/sea: S\$160 ([Register here](#))

This measure currently already applies to category I and vaccinated travel lane (VTL) travellers.



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#### **Additional ART for VTL travellers**

Ministry of Health | 1 December 2021

With effect from 2 December 2021, 11.59 p.m., air travellers arriving via VTL will have to undergo additional supervised self-administered ART at a combined test centre or quick test centre on day three and day seven of their arrival. VTL travellers will be notified via SMS and/or email to book an appointment at any of the following testing venues, prior to their scheduled test date. To view the list of testing venues, please refer to the link below.



**More information**

#### **South Korea**

##### **South Korea imposes mandatory 10-day quarantine on all international arrivals**

KBS World | 2 December 2021

The Government has imposed a mandatory ten-day quarantine on all international

arrivals, regardless of nationality and vaccination status, for two weeks starting 3 December 2021. South Korean nationals and foreigners on long-term stays will be placed in self-isolation at their residence, with a polymerase chain reaction test required before and after entry to South Korea, and before being released from quarantine. Foreigners on short-term stays will be quarantined at a Government designated facility.



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## Vietnam

### Suspension of flights to and from seven African locations

Channel NewsAsia | 1 December 2021

Vietnam will suspend flights to and from the following seven African locations—Botswana, Namibia, Zimbabwe, Eswatini, Lesotho, Mozambique, and South Africa—over concerns on the Omicron variant.



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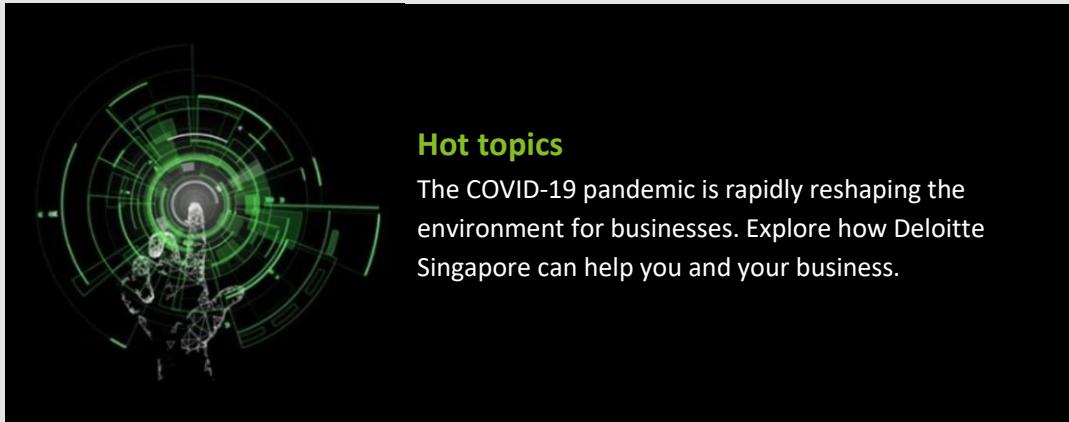
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