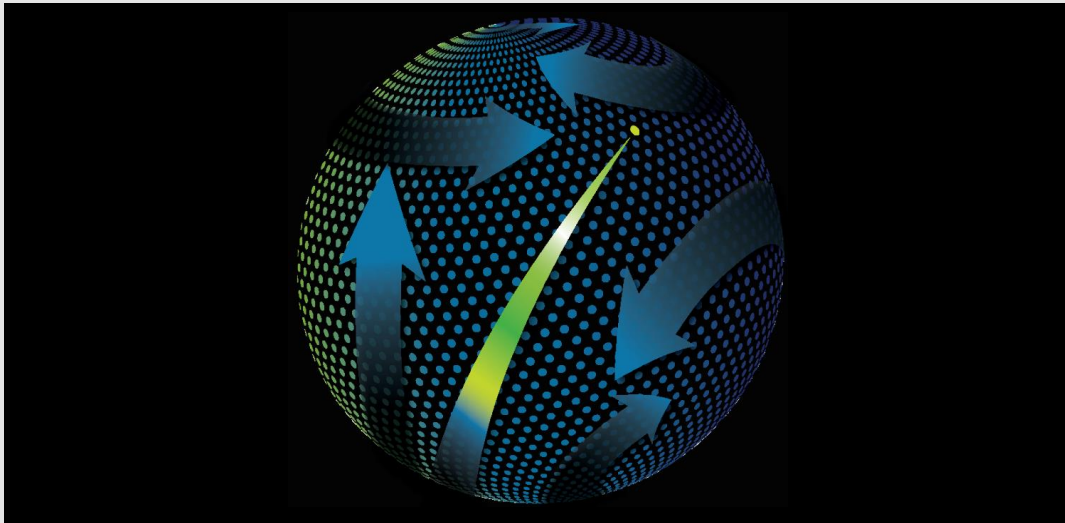


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The COVID-19 pandemic is a rapidly evolving situation, and authorities across the globe frequently update their travel advisories and immigration policies in response to the outbreak situation on the ground. In this series of news alerts, we will provide 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 to view Deloitte's digital travel map (beta release).

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Hong Kong

Argentina, Croatia, Fiji, and Latvia to be specified as group A specified places

Government of the Hong Kong special administrative region (SAR) | 7 December 2021

With effect from 10 December 2021, Argentina, Croatia, Fiji, and Latvia will be specified as group A specified places. Non-Hong Kong residents who have stayed in these places within the last 21 days will not be allowed to enter Hong Kong. Hong Kong residents may only board a flight for Hong Kong if they have been fully vaccinated and hold a recognised vaccination record. They will have to undergo compulsory quarantine in a designated quarantine hotel for 21 days upon return to Hong Kong, with six tests to be conducted during quarantine, followed by compulsory testing at a community testing centre on the 26th day of arrival.



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Maldives, Senegal, and Tunisia to be specified as group A specified places; Cook Islands and Luxembourg to remain group B specified places

Government of the Hong Kong SAR | 6 December 2021

With effect from 9 December 2021, Maldives, Senegal, and Tunisia will be specified as group A specified places. Non-Hong Kong residents who have stayed in these places within the last 21 days will not be allowed to enter Hong Kong. Hong Kong residents may only board a flight for Hong Kong if they have been fully vaccinated and hold a recognised vaccination record. They will have to undergo compulsory quarantine in a designated quarantine hotel for 21 days upon return to Hong Kong, with six tests to be conducted during quarantine, followed by compulsory testing at a community testing centre on the 26th day of arrival.

In addition, following updates that the COVID-19 cases detected in Cook Islands and Luxembourg were not Omicron cases, the Government will not be specifying these places as group A specified places as previously announced. Instead, these places will continue to be specified as group B specified places.



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Updated list of places of recognised vaccination records

Government of the Hong Kong SAR | 6 December 2021

With effect from 8 December 2021, the Government will accept vaccination records

issued by Georgia, Moldova, Serbia, and Togo as recognised vaccination records for Hong Kong residents who have stayed in group A specified places. Although these places are currently not group A specified places, the relevant arrangements will enable Hong Kong residents holding vaccination records issued by the relevant authorities of these places in the prescribed format to board a flight for Hong Kong from group A specified places. The vaccines administered must be listed on the [list of COVID-19 vaccines recognised for specified purposes](#). To view the latest list of places of recognised vaccination records, please click [here](#).



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Malaysia

Tightened COVID-19 testing regime for vaccinated travel lane (VTL) travellers and new requirements for digital tracking device

Channel NewsAsia | 7 October 2021

- **Tightened COVID-19 testing regime for VTL travellers**

With effect from 8 December 2021, travellers entering Malaysia via the air and land VTLs will be required to undergo COVID-19 tests daily for six days upon arrival. The new requirement will also apply to those arriving under the Langkawi international travel bubble (LITB) and the one stop centre for short-term business visitors.

Travellers arriving under these categories must undergo a COVID-19 detection test upon arrival; antigen rapid (RTK-Ag) tests (self-testing) on the second, fourth, and sixth day; and professional RTK-Ag tests on the third and fifth day.

Professionally administered RTK-Ag tests remain accepted as pre-departure requirements for those travelling via the land VTL. However, LITB travellers will need to undergo a reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) test at least 48 hours earlier before leaving Langkawi island.

A PCR test also remains mandatory for those who are flying into Malaysia. This test must be taken 48 hours prior to travel.

- **New requirements for digital tracking device**

All arrivals from Australia, France, Norway, the United Kingdom, and the United States will be required to wear a digital tracking device throughout their mandatory quarantine period. The quarantine duration will be determined by the individual's vaccination status.

Malaysian citizens and long-term visit pass holders returning from South Africa, Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, Zimbabwe, and Malawi must also don a digital tracking device while serving their mandatory 14-day quarantine at designated isolation centres.



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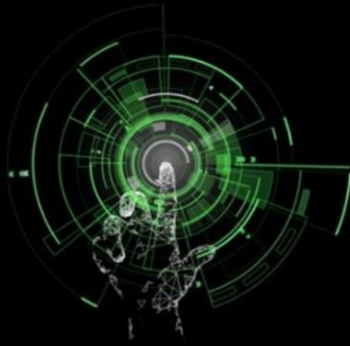
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