

Singapore | Immigration | 3 September 2020



Immigration news alerts COVID-19

COVID-19 (also previously referred to as 2019 Novel Coronavirus or 2019-nCoV) is a virus identified as the cause of an outbreak of respiratory illness first detected in Wuhan, China. While it is unclear how easily this virus is spreading between people, authorities across the globe are issuing travel health notices related to this outbreak.

In this series of news alerts, we will provide you with immigration updates to keep you up to date on the rapidly evolving situation within 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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Myanmar

Latest updates for visas and stay permits

Ministry of Labour, Immigration and Population | 1 September 2020


In light of the evolving COVID-19 situation, the Ministry of Labour, Immigration and Population has announced that new e-Visa applications will continue to remain suspended until 30 September 2020.

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Further extension of effective period of temporary measures to prevent importation of COVID-19 to Myanmar through air travel

Yangon Aerodrome Company Limited | 26 August 2020

The Department of Civil Aviation has announced that the temporary suspension of the landing of all international commercial passenger flights at Yangon International Airport (YIA) will be extended until 30 September 2020, 11.59 p.m. However, domestic flights will remain operational.

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Philippines


Bureau of Immigration eases requirements for departing aliens

Philippine Information Agency | 2 September 2020

Foreigners with visas approved by the Bureau of Immigration will be allowed to depart Philippines before their alien certificate of registration identity cards (ACR I-Card) have been issued. The Bureau will also no longer require departing aliens with approved and implemented visas to secure an ACR I-Card waiver order.

In lieu of the ACR I-Card waiver order, passengers will be asked to present their passports with the visa implementation stamp, official receipts of payment for their ACR I-Card waiver application fees, and Emigration Clearance Certificate/Reentry Permit (ECC/RP) or Special Return Certificate (SRC) to immigration officers at the airports.

This measure will be effective until 31 December 2020, with possible extension or early revocation depending on the pandemic situation.

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Singapore

Singapore and South Korea to launch fast lane arrangement for essential business, official travel

Channel NewsAsia | 2 September 2020

A fast lane for residents of Singapore and South Korea will open on 4 September 2020 for those who need to make essential business or official trips between both countries. Eligible travellers will have to abide by the mutually agreed terms and prevailing public health measures in the respective countries. These include health safeguards in the form of pre-departure and post-arrival testing as well as the need to adhere to a controlled itinerary for the first 14 days in the receiving country.

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Vietnam

Latest updates on quarantine measures

VNExpress | 2 September 2020

Vietnam has lifted the 14-day quarantine for foreign experts, investors, managers, and diplomats entering the country for less than 14 days. But guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health still require them to continue complying with all other requirements like wearing a mask and refraining from shaking hands. They will also need to complete medical procedures including tests for COVID-19. The organisation that invites them needs to guarantee that it, or an international insurance company, will bear all medical and other expenses if they contract the disease in Vietnam.

With effect from 1 September 2020, all arrivals to Vietnam will also have to pay for the cost of their mandatory 14-day quarantine. However, those on diplomatic missions will be exempted from the fee.

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Automatic extension of temporary residence for foreigners (Translated from Vietnamese)

Immigration Department | 1 September 2020

Vietnam will provide an automatic extension of temporary residence until 30 September 2020 for foreigners who entered Vietnam with a visa exemption certificate, e-visa, or tourist visa on or after 1 March 2020.

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