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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

Immigration Department service arrangements

Government of the Hong Kong special administrative region (SAR) | 3 February 2022


In line with the special work arrangements for government employees and suspension of non-essential public services, the Immigration Department has announced service arrangements for the provision of emergency and essential public services from 4 February 2022 to 11 February 2022. More information can be found in the link below.

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Updates to list of places of recognised vaccination records

Government of the Hong Kong SAR | 31 January 2022

With effect from 5 February 2022, the Government will accept vaccination records issued by Peru and the United Nations (UN) as recognised vaccination records for Hong Kong residents who have stayed in group A specified places. Hong Kong residents holding a vaccination record issued by the relevant authorities in Peru or the UN in the prescribed format may board a flight for Hong Kong from group A specified places. The vaccines administered for the relevant travellers 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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Adjusted requirements for persons arriving from the Mainland, Macao, and Taiwan

Government of the Hong Kong SAR | 31 January 2022

With effect from 5 February 2022, COVID-19 nucleic acid testing arrangements for persons who have stayed in the Mainland and Macao, as well as quarantine arrangements for persons who have stayed in Taiwan, will be adjusted as follows:

- **COVID-19 nucleic acid testing arrangements for persons who have stayed in the Mainland and Macao**

The compulsory testing arrangement will be adjusted to three tests, to be conducted on the third, fifth, and 12th days of arrival. The test on the 12th day must be conducted at a community testing centre (CTC). This arrangement is applicable to persons arriving under the Return2hk Scheme and Come2hk

Scheme and are thus exempted from compulsory quarantine; persons who have been fully vaccinated and are subject to compulsory quarantine for seven days; and persons who are not yet vaccinated and are subject to compulsory quarantine for 14 days.

- **Quarantine arrangements for persons who have stayed in Taiwan**

Hong Kong residents who have stayed in Taiwan in the past 14 days will be subject to compulsory quarantine in designated quarantine hotels for 14 days, with six tests to be conducted during quarantine, followed by self-monitoring for seven days. They will be required to undergo compulsory testing on the 16th and 19th days of arrival at Hong Kong, with the 19th-day test to be conducted at a CTC.

For non-Hong Kong residents, only those who are fully vaccinated will be allowed to board a flight from Taiwan to Hong Kong. They will be subject to the same quarantine and testing arrangements as Hong Kong residents.



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Philippines

Revised travel restrictions guidelines and quarantine classifications

Bureau of Immigration | 7 February 2022

The Bureau of Immigration has announced a set of revised travel restrictions guidelines and quarantine classifications that will take effect from 10 February 2022. Key measures include:

- **For arriving Filipino nationals:** All arriving Filipino nationals shall register for their OneHealth Pass prior to arrival. Those who are fully vaccinated are to present a negative result of a COVID-19 RT-PCR test taken within 48 hours prior to departure, and conduct seven days of self-monitoring upon arrival. Those who are unvaccinated, partially vaccinated, or whose vaccination status cannot be validated will be required to present a negative result of a COVID-19 RT-PCR test taken within 48 hours prior to departure, undergo facility-based quarantine until they test negative for the RT-PCR test taken on the 5th day of arrival, and undergo home quarantine until their 14th day of arrival.

- **For arriving foreign nationals:** Foreign nationals entering the Philippines on a visa-free basis (including former Filipino citizens with Balikbayan privileges, and nationals from 157 visa-free locations) must be fully vaccinated, and will be required to present the following documentation: acceptable proof of vaccination; a negative result for a COVID-19 RT-PCR test taken within 48 hours prior to departure; valid return ticket to port of origin or next destination port not later than 30 days from the date of arrival; a passport valid for at least six months at the time of entry; and travel insurance for COVID-19 treatment costs with a minimum coverage of US\$35,000 for their duration of stay in the Philippines. They will also be required to conduct seven days of self-monitoring upon arrival.

To view the complete set of travel restriction guidelines and quarantine classifications, including those for children and foreign nationals arriving under the various visa categories, please refer to the link below.

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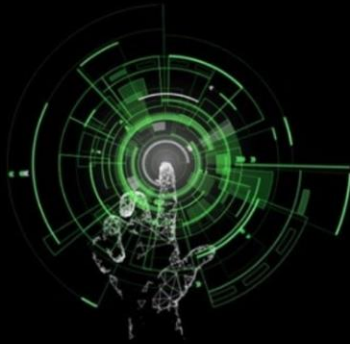
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