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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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China

China scraps visa-free transit for South Korean and Japanese citizens

Channel NewsAsia | 11 January 2023

China has suspended the issuance of visas for Korean and Japanese citizens and the 72/144-hour visa-free transit policy for South Korean and Japanese citizens with immediate effect.



More information

Hong Kong

Hong Kong to scrap isolation requirement for people with COVID-19

Channel NewsAsia | 19 January 2023

With effect from 30 January 2023, Hong Kong will no longer require people infected with COVID-19 to undergo quarantine. However, people in Hong Kong are still required to wear masks unless exercising.



More information

Japan

Latest measures for travellers entering Japan from China

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan | 10 January 2023

With effect from 30 December 2022, all travellers and returnees who have stayed in China (except Hong Kong and Macau) within 7 days prior to the entry and all travellers and returnees arriving from China (except Hong Kong and Macau) by direct flight will be required to take on-arrival test at the quarantine station.

In addition, from 8 January 2023, all travellers and returnees arriving from China (except Hong Kong and Macau) by direct flight will be required to submit a certificate of negative result of pre-departure COVID-19 test conducted within 72 hours prior to departure with or without a vaccination certificate.

From 12 January 2023, all travellers and returnees coming from Macau by direct flight will be required to take on-arrival test at the quarantine station and to submit a certificate of negative result of pre-departure COVID-19 test conducted within 72 hours prior to departure with or without a vaccination certificate.



More information

Malaysia

Malaysia to operate special lanes for travellers from China

Channel NewsAsia | 10 January 2023

Malaysia's Immigration Department will operate special lanes for travellers from China at its international entry points. Travellers who are suspected to be COVID-19 positive will be referred to health ministry officials who are stationed on-site, and be required to undergo throat swabs as well as a rapid antigen test. Travellers who test positive may either isolate themselves at home or at their lodging residences, or be referred to the hospital, depending on the severity of their disease.



More information

Thailand

Thailand rescinds policy requiring visitors to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination Channel NewsAsia | 9 January 2023

Thailand has rescinded a policy requiring visitors to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination. Visitors who are not vaccinated would also be granted entry without restriction.



More information

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