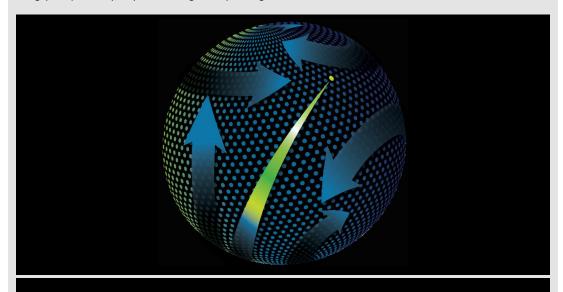
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The COVID-19 pandemic is a rapidly evolving situation, and authorities across the globe frequently update their travel advisories and immigration policies in response to the outbreak situation on the ground. In this series of news alerts, we will provide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

Note: If you have trouble accessing any of the links below, please try to copy and paste them directly into your browser.

China

Adjustment of visa application requirements

Commissioner's Office of China's Foreign Ministry in the Hong Kong Government of the Hong Kong special administrative region | 24 August 2022

With effect from 24 August 2022, foreign nationals holding valid Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Travel Cards or residence permits for study will be allowed to enter the Mainland of China without the need to apply for new visas. More details on the different categories of visas that the Consular Department of the Commissioner's Office will be accepting applications for can be found in the link below.



More information

Japan

Waiver of pre-departure COVID-19 test requirement for vaccinated travellers Channel NewsAsia | 24 August 2022

With effect from 7 September 2022, Japan will waive pre-departure COVID-19 tests for vaccinated travellers. More information on the requirements for the vaccine certificate can be found on the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare's website here.



More information

Singapore

Non-fully vaccinated travellers to be allowed to enter Singapore without applying for approval

Channel NewsAsia | 24 August 2022

Updates on border measures

Non-fully vaccinated long-term pass holders and short-term visitors aged 13 and above travelling to Singapore from 29 August 2022 will no longer need to apply for entry approval. They will also not be required to undergo a seven-day stay-home notice (SHN) upon arrival or take a polymerase chain reaction (PCR)

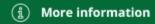
test at the end of the SHN period.

However, non-fully vaccinated travellers must still present a negative predeparture test – either a PCR test, professionally administered Antigen Rapid Test (ART), or self-administered ART supervised by licensed Singapore providers – two days before departing for Singapore, and purchase COVID-19 travel insurance to cover the duration of their stay in Singapore.

For travel to Singapore, travellers who test positive for COVID-19 should defer their travel plans and not board commercial flights or ferries. They should only resume their travel when they test negative, and at least 72 hours from the time they first test positive. Those who are vaccinated should travel on or after day 7 if they continue to test positive, while non-fully vaccinated people aged 12 years and above should only resume travel on day 14 if they continue to test positive.

• Vaccination requirements for Work Pass Holders

Applicants for long-term passes and work passes must be vaccinated against COVID-19. Those who wish to renew their work passes will not be subjected to a vaccination requirement from 1 October 2022, although this will not apply to work permit and S Pass renewals for those living in dormitories or working in the construction, marine shipyard, and process sectors. These workers must still be vaccinated before renewing their passes as their worksites and dormitories are settings at higher risk of disease spread.



Thailand

Thailand to allow foreign tourists to extend stay

The Straits Times | 19 August 2022

Thailand will permit an extended length of stay for foreign tourists between October 2022 and March 2023 as pressures from COVID-19 ease. Foreigners from 18 territories coming to Thailand under the visa-on-arrival category will be allowed to double their length of stay for up to 30 days, while those from more than 50 places that currently get 30 days will be able to stay for up to 45 days.



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