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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

Adjustments to COVID-19 testing arrangements for persons entering Hong Kong
Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region | 29 May 2022

The Government has announced the following adjustments to COVID-19 testing arrangements for persons entering Hong Kong, which will take effect from 1 June 2022:

- **Adjustment to requirement for documentary proof of pre-departure PCR tests**

Inbound travellers will only be required to present proof of a negative result proof for a COVID-19 polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test conducted within 48 hours prior to the scheduled time of departure, with samples collected by a laboratory or healthcare institution. They will no longer need to present documentary proof of ISO 15189 accreditation or recognition by the relevant authority of the laboratory or healthcare institution.

- **Pre-departure PCR tests not required for inbound children aged below three**

Children aged below three who have stayed in overseas places or Taiwan will no longer be required to present proof of the 48-hour PCR test when boarding. However, upon arrival in Hong Kong, they will still be subject to PCR tests (normally conducted with stool samples) and compulsory quarantine at designated quarantine hotels (DQHs).

- **Pre-departure PCR tests not required for travellers transferring or transiting in Hong Kong**

The Government will lift the requirement for passengers transferring or transiting in Hong Kong to present proof of the 48-hour pre-departure PCR test.

- **Pre-departure test requirements for recovered persons previously infected with COVID-19**

Recovered persons previously infected with COVID-19 may be allowed to board a flight for Hong Kong if they hold the following documentary proof:

- A certificate issued by a medical practitioner or a recovery record issued by relevant authorities in Chinese or English, showing that the person was infected with COVID-19 14 to 90 days prior to boarding for Hong Kong and has recovered
- A test report in Chinese or English issued by a laboratory or healthcare institution to show that:
 - The relevant inbound person underwent a test for COVID-19, the sample for which was taken from the relevant inbound person within 24 hours before the scheduled time of departure of the specified aircraft;
 - The test conducted on the sample was a rapid antigen test (RAT) for COVID-19; and
 - The relevant inbound person tested negative for COVID-19;

- If the relevant test report is not in Chinese or English or does not contain all of the above information, a written confirmation in Chinese or English issued by the laboratory or healthcare institution bearing the name of the relevant inbound person matching that in his or her valid travel document and setting out all of the above information is required. This written confirmation should be presented together with the test report.

- **Post-arrival testing arrangements for persons entering Hong Kong**

All persons arriving in Hong Kong on or after 24 May 2022 (i.e. 1 June 2022 being the ninth day of arrival in Hong Kong) and discharged early from compulsory quarantine will be required to undergo an additional compulsory testing on the ninth day of arrival.



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Japan

Latest updates to on-arrival COVID-19 testing and quarantine requirements

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan | 27 May 2022

With effect from 1 June 2022, on-arrival COVID-19 testing and quarantine requirements will vary according to the grouping of the countries/regions (Red/Yellow/Blue) in which the traveller has stayed in within the last 14 days before arrival in Japan, as well as their vaccination status:

| Classification | Vaccination certificate | On-arrival Test | Quarantine period and other measures after entry into Japan |
|----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---|
| Red | No | Required | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3-day quarantine at a specific facility • Negative PCR test result at the facility |
| | Yes | Required | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3-day home quarantine • Negative result of a voluntary test, or 7-day home quarantine without test |
| Yellow | No | Required | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3-day home quarantine • Negative result of a voluntary test, or 7-day home quarantine without test |
| | Yes | Not required | Home quarantine and other measures are not required |
| Blue | No | Not required | |
| | Yes | Not required | |

For more details on the specific countries/regions under each classification and their respective requirements, please click [here](#).



More information

Japan to begin allowing tour groups from 10 June 2022

Channel NewsAsia | 26 May 2022

With effect from 10 June 2022, Japan will resume accepting package tours from 36 countries/regions. It will also expand the number of airports that accept international flights to seven, adding Naha in its southern Okinawa prefecture, and Chitose near Sapporo in northern Hokkaido.

All arrivals must test negative before travel to Japan and most must be tested again on arrival, although triple-vaccinated people coming from certain countries/region can skip the additional test as well as a three-day quarantine required for others.



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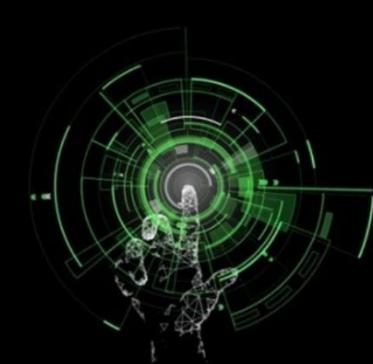


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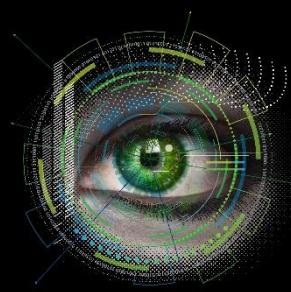
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