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UPDATE ON BORDER MEASURES FOR TRAVELLERS WITH TRAVEL HISTORY TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND SOUTH AFRICA

We refer to CAAS Circular 2020/50 and 2021/1, dated 22 December 2020 and 1 January 2021 respectively.

2 The Multi-Ministry Taskforce has been closely monitoring the global COVID-19 situation and will be adjusting border measures for travellers with travel history to the United Kingdom (UK) and South Africa. Please refer to the Ministry of Health's (MOH) press release in **Annex A**.

Entry into Singapore

3 Singapore had earlier announced that all travellers, except Singapore Citizens (SCs) or Singapore Permanent Residents (SPRs), with travel history to the UK¹ or South Africa² within the last 14 days before departure for Singapore, are not allowed entry into Singapore.

4 With effect from **22 April 2021, 2359 hours**, the following groups with travel history to the UK or South Africa within the last 14 days before departure for Singapore, will also be allowed entry into Singapore:

- (a) Long-term pass holders with an Approval Letter of Entry (ALE) issued by the Immigration and Checkpoints Authority (ICA), the Ministry of Manpower (MOM), or the Ministry of Education (MOE), or the Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI), or a Safe Travel Pass (STP) issued by the Safe Travel Office (STO); and
- (b) Short-term visitors with an ALE issued by ICA or a STP issued by STO.

5 All travellers, except SCs or SPRs, are required to take a COVID-19 PCR test within 72 hours before departure for Singapore and present a valid negative COVID-19 test for entry to Singapore. For more information on the pre-departure test, please see CAAS Circular 2021/21 dated 20 April 2021.

¹ Since 23 December 2020, 2359 hours.

² Since 3 January 2021, 2359 hours.

6 All travellers, including SCs or SPRs, are required to take a COVID-19 PCR test upon arrival at Changi Airport³. For information on other prevailing Singapore government requirements upon entry into Singapore, please refer to <https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg>.

Transfer/Transit through Singapore

7 Singapore had earlier announced that all travellers, except SCs or SPRs, with travel history to the UK⁴ or South Africa⁵ within the last 14 days before departure for Singapore, are not allowed to transfer/transit via Changi Airport.

8 With effect from **22 April 2021, 2359 hours**, all travellers with recent travel history to the UK or South Africa will be allowed to transfer/transit through Singapore on flights operated by air operators for which CAAS has given approval to operate such transfer/transits. CAAS' letter dated 16 October 2020 refers.

9 Airlines must ensure full compliance with the measures in force, including screening of passengers' recent travel history and the necessary approval letters where applicable, at the point of departure for all flights to Singapore. Information on the change in border measures will be updated in the IATA Timatic service.

10 Existing Not-To-Land (NTL) policies and procedures will apply for passengers who are denied entry into Singapore if they do not meet Singapore's prevailing entry requirements.

11 This Circular will, **with effect from 22 April 2021, 2359 hours**, supersede CAAS Circular 2020/50 dated 22 December 2020 and CAAS Circular 2021/1 dated 1 January 2021.

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³ To expedite the COVID-19 PCR test at the airport, travellers are strongly encouraged to register and pre-pay for their on-arrival COVID-19 PCR test prior to departing for Singapore at <https://safetravel.changiairport.com/>.

⁴ Since 23 December 2020, 2359 hours.

⁵ Since 3 January 2021, 2359 hours.

Annex A

Please refer to:

<https://www.moh.gov.sg/news-highlights/details/updates-on-border-measures-for-travellers-from-india-hong-kong-united-kingdom-and-south-africa>