



Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore

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UPDATE ON BORDER MEASURES FOR TRAVELLERS

The Multi-Ministry Taskforce has been closely monitoring the global COVID-19 situation and will be adjusting border measures for travellers. Please refer to MOH's press release in [Annex A](#).

Travellers with Travel History to Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan or Sri Lanka

2 Singapore had earlier announced that all travellers, except Singapore Citizens (SCs) or Singapore Permanent Residents (SPRs), with travel history to Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan or Sri Lanka within the last 14 days before departure for Singapore, are not allowed entry into Singapore, or transfer/transit via Singapore Changi Airport.

3 With effect from **26 October 2021, 2359 hours (Singapore time)**, the following groups with travel history to Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan or Sri Lanka within the last 14 days before departure for Singapore, will be allowed entry into Singapore:

- (a) Long-Term Pass holders or holders of In-Principle Approval (IPA) letters, 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.

4 All travellers entering Singapore are required to take a COVID-19 PCR test within 48 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 2021/63 dated 6 October 2021.

5 With effect from **26 October 2021, 2359 hours (Singapore time)**, all travellers with recent travel history to Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan or Sri Lanka 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 under CAAS Directive 11/2021.

Air Travel Pass (ATP)

6 From **26 October 2021, 2359 hours (Singapore time)**, all short-term visitors from Hong Kong, Macao, Mainland China and Taiwan, entering Singapore with an ATP must:

- (a) have only been to one or more [Category I countries/regions](#) and/or Singapore in the last **14 consecutive days**¹ before departing for Singapore;
- (b) purchase travel insurance, with a minimum coverage of \$30,000 for COVID-19-related medical treatment and hospitalisation costs, prior to travel to Singapore; and
- (c) show the following documents to airline staff at check-in at the point of departure, and to the ICA officer at the checkpoint upon arrival in Singapore:
 - (i) a valid ATP approval letter (electronic or physical copy) for the specified period of entry into Singapore;
 - (ii) a valid visa (for visa-required passport holders); and
 - (iii) a mobile device with the TraceTogether² app already downloaded, with mobile number and profile registered. The airline staff should verify this by getting the visitor to click on the TraceTogether app on their mobile device and show the holding screen. If the visitor does not have the TraceTogether app, the airline staff should check that the visitor has an electronic or physical copy of his/her booking confirmation for a mobile device from Changi Recommends. Otherwise, please have the ATP holder make a booking for a mobile device on the Changi Recommends website prior to accepting them for boarding to Singapore.

¹ If the scheduled day of departure of the flight is D (e.g. 31 October 2021), the traveller must have only been to one or more [Category I countries/regions](#) and/or Singapore from D-14 to D (i.e. 17 to 31 October 2021).

² This does not apply to children aged 12 years old or younger in that calendar year and travelling with a parent or guardian, or those who are unable to use a mobile device due to a certified disability and/or special need.

Travellers who need to download the TraceTogether App will have to ensure that their mobile devices are compatible with the app. They can download the app at <https://www.tracetgether.gov.sg/>. Mobile devices that are incompatible with the TraceTogether app include: Phones that do not have access to Apple App Store, Google Play store, or Huawei App Gallery, non-camera phones, phones with Android version 5.0 and below, phones with iOS version 9 and below, phones running on Blackberry OS or Symbian OS, phones with a Mobile Device Management (MDM) system installed by employers that prevents downloads from the Apple App Store, Google Play Store, or Huawei App Gallery.

7 Short-term visitors entering Singapore with an ATP are required to undergo a COVID-19 PCR test³ upon arrival at the airport⁴.

8 Singapore Citizens, Permanent Residents, and Long-Term Pass holders entering Singapore from Hong Kong, Macao, Mainland China and Taiwan, are not required to apply for an ATP to travel to Singapore, but they are required to undergo a COVID-19 PCR test³ upon arrival at the airport. In addition, Long-Term Pass holders will still be required to have an Approval Letter of Entry issued by ICA, MOM, MOE, MTI, or STO, and present it to airline staff at check-in at the point of departure, and to the ICA officer at the checkpoint upon arrival in Singapore.

9 To expedite the COVID-19 PCR test at the airport, they should register and make payment at <https://safetravel.changiairport.com> before departing for Singapore.

10 Airlines must ensure full compliance with the border 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. 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 or who are not allowed to transfer/transit through Singapore.

11 Information on the additional requirement for all inbound passengers will be updated in the IATA Timatic service.

12 This Circular will, with effect from **26 October 2021, 2359 hours (Singapore time)**, supersede CAAS Circular 2021/62, dated 2 October 2021, *Update on Border Measures for Travellers – Reduction of Assessed Travel History to 14 Days*.

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³ This requirement does not apply to children below three years of age. Age is calculated based on calendar year. If a passenger is entering or transiting/transferring through Singapore in year of 2021, those born in or after 2019, are not required to take COVID-19 PCR test prior to departure for Singapore.

⁴ After taking the COVID-19 PCR test, they are to immediately take private transportation, taxi, or private hire car from the airport to their declared place of accommodation. They must remain isolated at the accommodation pending the outcome of the test result. The test results will be out within 24 hours. If the test result is negative, they will be allowed to go about their activities in Singapore, without a need to serve a Stay-Home Notice (SHN). Visitors may refer to the Singapore Hotel Association (SHA) website <https://sha.org.sg> for the list of hotels approved to receive visitors travelling to Singapore on the ATP.

Annex A

Please refer to:

<https://www.moh.gov.sg/news-highlights/details/preparing-for-safe-resumption-of-activities-by-building-strong-foundations-in-stabilisation-phase>