

10 July 2021

# AMENDMENT NO. 9 TO DIRECTIVE NO. 9 OF 2020 (COVID-19 MEASURES FOR SINGAPORE AIR OPERATORS)

Pursuant to section 4H(1)(*a*) of the Air Navigation Act, the Chief Executive of the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (also known by the designation "Director-General of Civil Aviation"), acting under power delegated to him by the Authority, considers it necessary to issue Directive No. 9/2020 (Amendment No.9) as attached in the interests of protecting public health because of the global COVID-19 situation.

2 Directive No. 9/2020 (Amendment No. 9) takes effect from 1559 hrs GMT 12 July 2021.

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## AIR NAVIGATION ACT (CHAPTER 6, Section 4H(1)(*a*))

## DIRECTIVE NO. 9/2020 (COVID-19 MEASURES FOR SINGAPORE AIR OPERATORS) (AMENDMENT NO. 9)

## Part 1

## Citation and Commencement

1. This Directive is the Directive No. 9/2020 (Amendment No. 9) and comes into operation from 1559hrs GMT 12 July 2021.

### Part 2

#### Amendments

#### Amendment of paragraph 5

2. Paragraph 5 of Directive No. 9/2020 (called in this Amendment No. 9 the principal Directive) is amended –

- (a) by deleting sub-paragraph (ba) and substituting the following sub-paragraphs therefor:
  - "(ba) require of each relevant passenger (other than a relevant passenger mentioned in sub-paragraph (baa)) to provide proof in the form of a test result memo (or in any other form that the Director-General of Civil Aviation may specify) that the passenger has taken a COVID-19 Polymerase Chain Reaction ("PCR") test within:
    - a period of 72 hours before the scheduled day of departure of that flight, if the passenger had not embarked on any other aircraft as part of a journey to Singapore, before that flight<sup>3</sup>; or
    - (ii) if the passenger has one or more transit stops as part of his journey to Singapore:
      - (A) a period of 72 hours before the scheduled day of departure of the first flight in the journey, if the total duration of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> To illustrate, if a passenger is departing on 15 July 2021, the test must be taken no earlier than 12 July 2021.

scheduled transit stops before the last flight in the journey is 24 hours or less; or

- (B) a period of 72 hours before the scheduled day of departure of the last flight in the journey, if the total duration of the scheduled transit stops before that last flight exceeds 24 hours;
- (baa) require of each relevant passenger who has been in, or transferred or transited through, any country or region specified by the Ministry of Health, to provide proof in the form of a test result memo (or in any other form that the Director-General of Civil Aviation may specify) that the passenger has taken a COVID-19 PCR test within:
  - a period of 48 hours before the scheduled day of departure of that flight, if the passenger had not embarked on any other aircraft as part of a journey to Singapore, before that flight<sup>4</sup>; or
  - (ii) if the passenger has one or more transit stops as part of his journey to Singapore:
    - (A) a period of 48 hours before the scheduled day of departure of the first flight in the journey, if the total duration of the scheduled transit stops before the last flight in the journey is 24 hours or less; or
    - (B) a period of 48 hours before the scheduled day of departure of the last flight in the journey, if the total duration of the scheduled transit stops before that last flight exceeds 24 hours;";
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the word "(ba)" in sub-paragraph (bb) the words "and (baa)"; and
- (c) by inserting, immediately after the word "(ba)" in sub-paragraph (d)(i) the words "or (baa)"; and
- (d) by deleting sub-paragraph (d)(iii) and substituting the following sub-paragraph therefor:
  - "(iii) whose PCR test taken in accordance with paragraph (ba) or (baa) has a positive result.".

# Amendment of paragraph 5AA

3. Paragraph 5AA of the principal Directive is amended by inserting, immediately after the words "paragraph 5(ba)" the words "or 5(baa)".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> To illustrate, if a passenger is departing on 15 July 2021, the test must be taken no earlier than 13 July 2021.

# Amendment of paragraph 5AB

4. Paragraph 5AB of the principal Directive is deleted and the following paragraph substituted therefor:

- "5AB. For the purpose of paragraphs 5(ba), 5(baa) and (d), unless otherwise specified by the Director-General of Civil Aviation, a relevant passenger is a passenger who intends to board an aircraft for a flight to Singapore (including a passenger who is transferring or transiting through Singapore) and who:
  - (a) is not a child below 3 years of age<sup>5</sup>;
  - (b) has, at any time within the last 21 days prior to the flight to Singapore<sup>6</sup>, been in, or transferred or transited through, any country or region other than:
    - (i) a country or region specified in the Annex, as amended from time to time; or
    - (ii) Singapore.".

## Amendment of paragraph 5A

5. Paragraph 5A(aa) of the principal Directive is deleted and the following paragraph substituted therefor:

"(aa) a passenger who fails to provide the proof required under paragraph 5(ba) or 5(baa), or whose proof does not meet the requirements specified in paragraph 5AA(a) to (c), or whose PCR test taken in accordance with paragraph 5(ba) or 5(baa) has a positive result, will not be allowed to board the aircraft;".

Issued on 10 July 2021.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> To illustrate, the age is calculated based on calendar year. If passenger is entering 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> To illustrate, if the scheduled day of departure of the flight is D (e.g. 31 July 2021), the last 21 consecutive days refer to D-21 to D (i.e. 10 to 31 July 2021).