

## **COVID 19 - Travel Advisories**

## (As at 25 March 2020)

## 1. Country(ies) that Singaporeans are advised not to visit

Note: Any visitor who shows signs of symptoms at the checkpoints will have to serve a 14-day Stay-Home Notice, even if they test negative for Covid-19.

- a) Singaporeans are advised to defer all travel to Hubei Province and non-essential travel to Mainland China (Travel Advisory issued by MOH on 22 January 2020).
- b) All returning travellers from China are not allowed to leave home for 14 days with effect from 11:59pm, 18 February 2020.
- c) Singaporeans are advised to avoid non-essential travel to Daegu and Cheongdo. The public should also continue to exercise caution when travelling to the rest of the Republic of Korea. (<u>Travel Advisory</u> issued by MOH on 23 February 2020). Returning Singapore residents and long-term pass holders who have been to either of the two places in the past 14 days and arriving on or after 26 February 2020, 11.59 pm will be issued with a Stay-Home Notice that will require them to remain in their homes at all times for a fortnight.
- d) From 11.59 pm on March 4 2020, new visitors with recent travel history to Iran, northern Italy\*, or South Korea within the last 14 days will not be allowed to enter or transit through Singapore. Returning Singaporeans permanent residents and residents with travel history to those areas in the last 14 days will be issued with a stay-home notice.
- \* Aosta Valley, Piedmont, Liguria, Lombardy, Emilia-Romagna, Veneto, Friuli-Venezia Giulia and Trentino-Alto Adige.
- e) From 4 March 2020, arriving passengers from Singapore to Thailand have to comply with the health screening procedure conducted by the Thai authorities upon arrival at the port of entry, but need not have to go for quarantine, if they are healthy.
- f) From 13 March, Singapore will cease port calls for all cruise vessels.
- g) From 11.59pm on Sunday (March 15), all new visitors who had been to Italy, France, Spain and Germany within the last 14 days will not be allowed entry or transit. Singaporeans and PRs who had been to 4 mentioned countries within the last 14 days will be issued a Stay-Home Notice (SHN). The notice will also apply to long-term pass holders with recent travel history to these countries within the last 14 days.
- h) With immediate effect from 15 March, Singaporeans are advised to defer all non-essential travel abroad. This advisory will apply for 30 days, and will be reviewed thereafter. This is to reduce the risk of Singaporeans contracting COVID-19 infection while overseas during this global pandemic. Singaporeans who have made plans to travel abroad during the March school holidays are advised to review their plans.
- i) From 11.59pm on Monday (March 16), all travellers including Singapore citizens, permanent residents, long-term pass holders and short-term visitors entering Singapore with recent travel history to ASEAN countries (save for travellers from Malaysia who arrive by land and sea), Japan, Switzerland, or the United Kingdom within the last 14 days will be issued a 14-day stay-home notice (SHN).
- j) On 18 March 2020, Singaporeans are advised to defer all travel abroad to prevent any further spread of Covid-19.

- k) From 11.59pm on Friday (20 March), Singaporeans, long term pass holders and short term visitors entering Singapore will be issued a 14-day SHN.
- I) From 11.59pm on Monday (23 March), all short-term visitors will no longer be allowed to enter or transit through Singapore.

## 2. Countries that issued travel advisories in relation to Singapore

S/n	Countries	Issued on	Remarks
1	Britain	24 January 2020	Returning travellers from Singapore who developed symptoms should self-isolate.
2	Indonesia	8 February 2020	Indonesia raised its travel alert for Singapore to level yellow, urging Indonesian citizens to take extra precautions when they visit Singapore.
3	Kuwait	8 February 2020	The Kuwait Embassy in Singapore called on Kuwaitis wanting to travel to Singapore to wait until things get back to normal. It also urged its citizens who are in Singapore to leave immediately.
4	Israel	9 February 2020	Israel advised its citizens to consider whether travel to Singapore was necessary.
		19 February 2020	Israel has banned all non-Israelis who have been in Singapore in the previous 14 days.
5	Qatar	9 February 2020	The Embassy of the State of Qatar advised all Qatari citizens to avoid unnecessary travel to Singapore.
6	South Korea	11 February 2020	South Korea advised its citizens to refrain from travelling to Singapore.
7	Taiwan	11 February 2020	Taiwan's medical authorities have issued a travel "alert" for Singapore.
8	Thailand	17 February 2020	The Thai Public Health Ministry have advised citizens to postpone their visits to Singapore.
9	India	23 February 2020	India advised its citizens to avoid all non-essential travel to Singapore.
10	China	March 2020	Singaporeans travelling to some Chinese provinces may be subject to home or institutional quarantine for 14 days. Before travelling to China, Singaporeans are strongly advised to check with the local authorities, as well as the hotel or residential compound where they will be staying, on the quarantine and other measures that they should adhere to.
11	Malaysia	10 February 2020	Residents of Sarawak who had been to Singapore would have to undergo 14 days of self-quarantine.

		18 March 2020	From 18 March to 14 April 2020, foreign visitors are not allowed to enter the country. In addition, residents in Malaysia are not allowed to travel overseas.
12	European Union	17 March 2020	EU is suspending all non-essential foreign arrivals for 30 days
13	New Zealand	19 March 2020	Anyone who is not a citizen or resident will be refused entry into New Zealand. However, partners and children of New Zealanders as well as key health workers would still be allowed entry.
14	Australia	20 March 2020	Anyone who is not a citizen, resident, or close family member of a citizen or resident, will be refused entry into Australia.

The table will be reviewed regularly. For enquiries, please contact the International Relations Department at 6530 0256 or email to <a href="mailto:international@lawsoc.org.sg">international@lawsoc.org.sg</a>.