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### Coronavirus, COVID-19

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#### QUOTE

In order to continue providing current information related with the measures and protocols due to COVID 19 in the Caribbean, please find attached an updated issued on December 20<sup>th</sup> , 2021.

As we mentioned in prior emails, we confirm our compromised to continue our support on any matter that might arise in the Caribbean area.

All the Best for you, your family and the whole team.

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## IMPLICATIONS OF THE COVID-19 IN THE CARIBBEAN

**ISSUED ON: DECEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2021**



### **ARUBA:**

The government of Aruba maintains the protocol and requirements established on October 15th, 2021 for the entry of travellers to the country. Aruba has the borders open with the following countries/regions: USA, Canada, Central America, South America, The Caribbean, Europe and other regions. The border closure with Venezuela remains in effect.

Residents of Venezuela who want to travel to Aruba will be able to arrive to the Island using connecting flights in Latin America or the United States. Venezuelans will need a visa for the Dutch Caribbean. They will not need to apply for the visa if they have a valid residence or multiple entry visa from the United States, Canada or Schengen.

Travellers fully vaccinated against Covid19 who will be visiting Aruba must comply with the established health protocol: have a negative result of a PCR test at least 72 before the trip, fill out the online embarkation / disembarkation process and purchase health insurance, among others. All travellers not showing documentation indicating a negative Molecular COVID-19 test result prior to travel to Aruba as a part of the ED card process will receive a Molecular PCR COVID-19 test at the Airport when arriving in Aruba. The Molecular PCR COVID-19 testing will be followed by a mandatory quarantine at the traveller's booked accommodations while test results are assessed.

The Aruba authorities maintain the following crisis measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19, which have been in effect since September 2nd, 2021:

- Masks: Obligatory (indoors).
- Closing Time: 12:00 am.
- Restaurants: Max. 6 people per table.

Cruise ships have been entering in Aruba.

The restrictions and protocols related with the prevention of the spread the COVID 19 announced by the authorities at all Ports remain applicable and compulsory.

Crew change is allowed under specific conditions.

In case that a crew member presents a Non-COVID 19 injury or illness, health authorities has to be informed and they will be the one who authorized the disembark to shore medical assistance in the public or private hospital system.



## **BAHAMAS:**

The government of Bahamas maintains the protocol and requirements established on December 6th, 2021 for the entry of travellers to the country:

- Fully vaccinated persons travelling to The Bahamas from foreign countries also between islands will be required to obtain a negative COVID-19 test (either a Rapid Antigen Test or PCR), taken no more than five (5) days prior arriving to The Bahamas.
- Unvaccinated travellers entering The Bahamas must obtain a negative COVID-19 PCR (swab) test taken no more than 5 days prior to the date of arrival.
- Non-vaccinated persons travelling inter-island within The Bahamas from Nassau & Paradise Island and Grand Bahama Island are required to obtain a negative COVID-19 PCR test, taken no more than five (5) days prior to the date of travel, and present to the operator of the airline or vessel on which they are travelling.
- For non-vaccinated persons travelling inter-island from any other island of The Bahamas, only a negative result of a rapid antigen test is required.
- All persons travelling to The Bahamas are required to apply for a Bahamas Travel Health Visa at [travel.gov.bs.](https://travel.gov.bs/), a Travel Health Visa will no longer be required for inter-island travel within The Bahamas. In addition, the payment of the Travel Health Visa fee is no longer required for Bahamian citizens and residents returning to The Bahamas.
- Fully vaccinated travellers are required to upload negative test results in addition to valid proof of vaccination confirming they have passed the two-week immunity period (such as CDC or government issued vaccine record card).
- At this time, the Bahamas Government will only be accepting vaccines by Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson and AstraZeneca. Mixed and matched second doses of COVID-19 vaccines above mentioned are also accepted.
- All unvaccinated persons are required to upload their negative COVID-19 PCR test results. Tests must be taken no more than 5 days prior to the date of arrival.
- As part of the Bahamas Travel Health Visa application, travellers will be required to opt in to COVID-19 health insurance that covers them for the duration of their stay in The Bahamas. The cost of insurance is included in the Bahamas Travel Health Visa application fee
- The Government of the Bahamas announced that as a consequence of the identification of a new COVID-19 Variant - Omicron (B1.1.529), has imposed travel restrictions on travellers, vaccinated or unvaccinated, from the following countries: Botswana; Eswatini (formerly Swaziland) Lesotho; Malawi; Mozambique; Namibia; Zimbabwe; and South Africa.
- Individuals not ordinarily resident in The Bahamas who have travelled to, though, or from these countries within the last fourteen (14) days WILL NOT be allowed entry into The Bahamas at this time.
- Individuals who are ordinarily resident may be permitted to enter The Bahamas, but will be subject to mandatory quarantine for fourteen (14) days at their own expense and will undergo screening as mandated by the Ministry of Health.



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The following local restrictions are maintained:

- Curfew in effect: Partial (only on some islands at different times).
- Events: Partially Allowed with restrictions.
- Transport: Operational with restrictions
- Shopping: Open.
- Restaurants and Bars: Open with restrictions.
- The mask and sanitization requirements remain in place for everyone.

Cruise ships have been received in Bahamas.

The restrictions and protocols related with the prevention of the spread the COVID 19 announced by the authorities at all Ports remain applicable and compulsory.

Crew changes is allowed.

In case that a crew member presents a Non-COVID 19 injury or illness, health authorities has to be informed and they will be the one who authorized the disembark to shore medical assistance in the public or private hospital system.



## BERMUDA:

All Travellers to Bermuda must follow the requirements set-out in the Quarantine (COVID-19) (No. 3) Order 2020.

Updated 2nd December 2021: Travel Authorisations will need to be purchased between 1 to 3 days before travel.

Effective December 3th, 2021:

Vaccinated air travellers may get either a PCR or antigen test as a pre-arrival test. All crew members, unvaccinated travellers and travellers arriving by sea must get a PCR test.

A valid pre-arrival test result must meet the following standards:

- Test must be performed by an accredited laboratory
- Display full name of laboratory and contact information for laboratory
- Display traveller's full name and date of birth.



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- Test type must be a PCR or an antigen test:
- If the traveller is immunized, and arriving by air either test type is accepted
- If the traveller is unimmunized, a crew member or arriving by sea, the test type must be a PCR test
- For PCR tests, the date of the test must be no more than 4 days before the arrival. The test result must state "PCR" - either RT or Rapid PCR.
- For antigen tests, the date of the test must be no more than 3 days before the arrival.
- Test result must be negative

An immunised traveller is someone who has received the full course of a COVID-19 vaccine manufactured by: Pfizer BioNTECH, AstraZeneca, Serum Institute of India, Jansen/Johnson & Johnson, Moderna, Sinopharm/BIBP and Sinovac.

Fully vaccine means a COVID-19 vaccine administered according to the manufacturer's recommendation or the advised of a stringent regulatory body recognised by the Ministry of Health, with at least 14 days from the date of the final dose of vaccination.

All visitors must have a negative pre-arrival: PCR test taken within four days of arrival OR Antigen test taken within three days of arrival in Bermuda.

Immunised residents and visitors must also test on arrival, day 4, and day 10 while in Bermuda.

As of August 23th, 2021, all immunised travellers will be given a red wristband upon arrival. Immunized travellers with pre-test must wear it until receiving the negative arrival test. Immunized travellers without pre-test must wear it until receiving the negative DAY 4 test.

All unvaccinated travellers must quarantine on arrival for 14 days at an accommodation (dwelling) of their choosing or a paid accommodation at their own expense.

An immunised mariner without a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken within 4 days of their departure date for Bermuda must quarantine for 4 days (inclusive of the time at sea from the last port) on their boat upon arrival in Bermuda.

An unimmunised mariner without a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken within 4 days of their departure date for Bermuda must quarantine for 14 days (inclusive of the time at sea from the last port) on their boat upon arrival in Bermuda.

A persons arriving by air to join a pleasure craft or superyacht should follow the Air Traveller Protocols.

The protocols for the different activities established by the local authorities must be followed.

Bermuda Shipping and Maritime Authority implemented restrictions and protocols related to the prevention of the spread of COVID 19, which must be complied with by all vessels that arrive at its ports.

Crew changes is allowed with restrictions. In case that a crew member presents a Non-COVID 19 injury or illness, health authorities has to be informed and they will be the one who authorized the disembark to shore medical assistance in the public or private hospital system.



## BONAIRE:

Requirements for travellers established by the government of Bonaire has been updated on November 30th, 2021:

All travellers must complete a Public Health Department health declaration form online between 24 hours and 12 hours before departure. This declaration can be downloaded at: <https://www.bonairepublichealth.org>.

At check-in, boarding and arrival, travellers must present the printed health declaration, the result of a coronavirus test and/or a vaccination certificate.

Travelers should check whether their health insurance will cover any medical costs and COVID-19 related costs during their stay.

Classification of countries according to the risk of contagion by Covid-19 established on December 10th:

- Countries classified as very low-risk are: China, Saba and Sint Eustatius
- Countries classified as low-risk are: Argentina, Aruba, Canada, Curacao, Peru, Sint Maarten, Spain, Sweden and Uruguay.
- Countries classified as high-risk are: Austria, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Finland, France, French Guiana, Germany, Greece, Guyana, Hungary, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Panama, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Romania, San Marino, Seychelles, Suriname, Switzerland, United States and Vatican City.
- Countries classified as very high-risk are: Botswana, Eswatini, Haiti, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Singapore, South Africa, United Kingdom, Venezuela and Zimbabwe.
- Countries that are not mentioned in any of the categories are considered to be high-risk.

Requirements for travellers established on November 30th, 2021, taking into account the country of origin according to the risk of contagion by Covid-19:

From very low-risk countries:

- Fully vaccinated people and People who are not (fully) vaccinated: Health Declaration between 24 and 12 hours before departure.

From low-risk countries:

- Fully vaccinated people:
  - Health Declaration between 24 and 12 hours before departure.
- People who are not (fully) vaccinated:
  - Health Declaration between 24 and 12 hours before departure.
  - NAAT-PCR Test 48 hours before departure.



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### From high-risk countries:

- Fully vaccinated people:
  - Health Declaration between 24 and 12 hours before departure.
  - Antigen Test within 24 hours before departure or NAAT-PCR Test within 48 hours before departure.
- People who are not (fully) vaccinated:
  - Health Declaration between 24 and 12 hours before departure.
  - NAAT-PCR Test within 24 hours before departure or NAAT-PCR Test within 48 hours before departure + Antigen Test immediately upon arrival on Bonaire.

### From very high-risk countries:

- Fully vaccinated people:
  - Health Declaration between 24 and 12 hours before departure.
  - Antigen Test within 24 hours before departure or NAAT-PCR Test within 48 hours before departure.
  - NAAT-PCR Test on day 5 after arrival.
- People who are not (fully) vaccinated:
  - Health Declaration between 24 and 12 hours before departure.
  - NAAT-PCR Test within 24 hours before departure or NAAT-PCR Test within 48 hours before departure + Antigen Test immediately upon arrival on Bonaire.
  - NAAT-PCR Test on day 5 after arrival.

Fully vaccinated means that the final vaccination has been administered at least two weeks ago.

All people while on Bonaire must follow the measures issued for local authorities on November 27th to ensure that the corona virus does not spread.

The restrictions and protocols related with the prevention of the spread the COVID 19 announced by the authorities at all Ports remain applicable and compulsory.

Crew changes are allowed with restrictions.

In case that a crew member presents a Non-COVID 19 injury or illness, health authorities has to be informed and they will be the one who authorized the disembark to shore medical assistance in the public or private hospital system.





## COLOMBIA:

The government of Colombia maintains the protocol and requirements established on September 20th, 2021 for the entry of travellers to the country:

- International travellers entering Colombia should not present a negative PCR test to enter the country. They only have to do their Check-Mig registration 24 hours before their flight at the following link: [migracioncolombia.gov.co](https://migracioncolombia.gov.co).
- If you are traveling to the interior of the country, you do not need to present your negative PCR test. Nor will it be required to have the information downloaded and filled out in the CoronApp mobile application.
- There are mobility restrictions in some destinations in the country according to the level of contagion and occupation of the Intensive Care Units.

On December 14, 2021 has established, international travellers entering Colombia must comply with the following measures provided for in Resolution No. 2052 of 2021 of the Ministry of Health and Social Protection:

- Present the vaccination certificate or card with the complete schedule, taking a minimum of 14 days prior travelling. The required vaccines will be those authorized by the World Health Organization. The definition of the complete scheme will be according to the technical recommendation of the producer of each biological.
- Foreign non-residents in Colombia who do not have a complete vaccination scheme or who do not meet 14 days prior the trip, may enter the country presenting a PCR test with a negative result, issued no more than 72 hours before the initially scheduled boarding date and time.
- In the exclusive case of Colombians and foreigners with permanent residence, who do not have a vaccination card or those who have an incomplete vaccination schedule, must present a PCR test with a negative result, issued no more than 72 hours before the initially scheduled date and time of shipment.
- The Certificate or vaccination card may be presented physically or digitally, which can be obtained at <https://mivacuna.sispro.gov.co/MiVacuna/Accountioqin> or in the digital MinSalud application.
- All international travellers, whether nationals or not, must register through the Check-Mig application of the Special Unit for Migration Colombia.
- All international travellers, whether nationals or not, must respond to the tracking and follow-up telephone calls made by the National Tracking Contact Center (CCNR from line 1900), their insurer or the health secretary of the jurisdiction where they will stay. during your stay or where you usually reside. Likewise, they must comply with the use of biosafety measures that the Colombian state has.

The health emergency due to COVID 19 in the country is extended until February 28th, 2022 according to Resolution 1913 of 2021 of the Ministry of Health and Social Protection.

The restrictions and protocols related with the prevention of the spread the COVID 19 announced by the authorities at all Ports remain applicable and compulsory.

Crew changes are allowed with restrictions.

In case that a crew member presents a Non-COVID 19 injury or illness, health authorities has to be informed and they will be the one who authorized the disembark to shore medical assistance in the public or private hospital system.



## CUBA:

On November 26, 2021, the Cuban health authorities announced that the application of new reinforcement measures for international travellers due to the appearance of the new variant of the coronavirus called OMICRON, the following measures entered into force on December 4, 2021:

Travelers from: South Africa, Lesotho, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Namibia, Malawi and Eswatini (formerly Swaziland), upon entering the country must meet the following requirements:

- Present a complete vaccination schedule at the point of entry.
- The negative result of an PCR performed at most 72 hours before the trip.
- A sample collection for PCR will be performed at the point of entry.
- Compulsory quarantine will be applied for seven days in a hotel destined for this purpose, the traveller must cover the costs of accommodation and transportation.
- A new PCR sample will be taken on the sixth day, and if negative, they will be discharged from quarantine on the seventh day.

Travelers from Belgium, Israel, Hong Kong, Egypt, Turkey and the rest of the Sub-Saharan African countries (Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cape Verde, Cameroon, Chad, Comoros, Ivory Coast, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Equatorial Guinea, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritius, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Central African Republic, Republic of the Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, São Tomé and Príncipe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Djibouti and Zambia), the same measures will be applied as to travellers from the previous countries with the exception of quarantine and RT-PCR on the sixth day.

For visitors from countries not mentioned above, the measures announced by the authorities on October 29, 2021 are maintained:

- Present at the point of entry a health passport or international certificate of vaccination against COVID-19 of those vaccines certified by the corresponding regulatory bodies.
- In case of not presenting a health passport or international anti-COVID-19 vaccination certification, the visitor is obliged to present a negative COVID-19 PCR certification, carried out during the 72 hours prior to the trip, from a certified laboratory in the country of origin.
- In case of not having any of the aforementioned documents, the traveller will comply with institutional isolation for 10 days and will assume the costs of transportation and lodging.
- All international visitors who arrive in the country through any point of entry and show signs and symptoms of COVID-19 or another communicable disease will be referred to a health institution designated for that purpose and a PCR test will be performed.

The restrictions and protocols related to the prevention of the spread of COVID 19 announced by the authorities in all ports remain applicable and mandatory.

Crew changes restrictions continues.

In the event that any crew member presents a Non-COVID 19 injury or illness, the health authorities must be informed and authorize the disembarkation for medical assistance on the ground in the hospital system.



## CURACAO:

The List of risk classification of the countries was updated on November 15, 2021, according to Government Announcement No. # 430:

**VERY LOW RISK:** China, Ecuador, United Arab Emirates, Hong Kong, India, British Virgin Islands, Montserrat, Morocco, Saba, Saint Barthelemy, Saint Eustatius, Taiwan.

**LOW RISK:** Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Aruba, Bahamas, Bermuda, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Spain, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Turks and Caicos Islands, US Virgin Islands, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Lebanon, New Zealand, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Martin, Sint Maarten, Sweden, Uruguay.

**HIGH RISK:** Germany, United States of America, Finland, France, French Guiana, Guyana, Iceland, Luxembourg, Martinique, Norway, Poland, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey.

**VERY HIGH RISK:** Anguilla, Austria, Barbados, Belgium, Bonaire, Czechia, Denmark, Dominica, Greece, Haiti, Hungary, Ireland, Cayman Islands, Netherlands, United Kingdom, Romania, Singapore, Venezuela.

Countries that are not on any of the above lists are classified as High Risk countries.

From November 19, 2021, a curfew from 3:00 a.m. to 4:30 a.m. has been in force throughout the country, according to Government Announcement No. # 437 dated November 18, 2021.

According to government announcements Nos. # 443 and # 445 respectively, Curaçao imposed a travel ban effective November 28, 2021 for travelers from, or who have been in the last 14 days, in one of the following countries, regions or places where there is a widespread incidence of the OMICRON variant: Botswana, Eswatini (Swaziland), Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa and Zimbabwe.

All travelers must present upon arrival proof of a negative PCR test, taken within 48 hours of departure.

All crew changes are subject to approval by the COVID Crisis team and they will arrange all transportation.

The following documents must be presented at least 5 days before the crew change: copy of passport, navigation book, medical certificate, ship's maritime health status and any other information.

The restrictions and protocols related to the prevention of the spread of COVID-19 established by the authorities in all ports remain mandatory.

In the event that any crew member presents an injury or illness other than COVID-19, the health authorities must be informed and they will authorize the disembarkation to receive medical assistance in the hospital system.



## **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC:**

On December 3, 2021, the authorities announced that, despite the uncertainty due to the OMICRON variant, for now there will be no major changes in the requirements for the arrival of international visitors.

Current requirements to enter the Dominican Republic:

- Presentation of negative COVID-19 test is not required. Random tests are still being carried out on arrivals at airports.
- No vaccination card presentation is required. It is recommended to carry the vaccination card for visitors who leave the tourist circuit, because if they visit a public or commercial center in the cities, it is requested to present this document.
- No quarantine is required when entering the country.
- For entry and exit you must complete the E-Ticket form, which can be completed up to 72 hours before the flight. When completing and finalizing the form, the platform generates a QR code, and that is what must be presented to the airline when checking in and checking out, as well as to the Dominican authorities. The form can be found on the web [eticet.migracion.gob.do](http://eticet.migracion.gob.do).

The restrictions and protocols related to the prevention of the spread of COVID-19 announced by the authorities in all ports remain in effect.

Free pratique has always been granted once the ship has docked and has been authorized by the authorities. The following documents must be submitted to PFSO prior to the arrival of the ship: medical protocol, crew list, the last ten ports, the P&I certificate and the declaration of maritime health.

Crew changes are allowed, however, authorization from the High Level Presidential Commission is required. Required documents: crew details, passport copy and preliminary flight details to request authorization.

There are precautionary tests, once the ship arrives, the Port Authorities Medical Commission takes the temperature of all crew members and checks them for other symptoms of COVID-19.

Health Personnel designated by the Ministry of Defence carry out a medical examination of the ship's crew at the berth, so all crew members must disembark from the ship when docking. Medical assistance is possible is subject to authorities authorization.



## **FRENCH GUIANA:**

The state of health emergency was extended until December 31.

The curfew is in force throughout the territory in accordance with the following:

On the island of Cayenne, Macouria, Matoury, Rémire-Montjoly, Kourou, Sinnamary, Roura and Montsinéry Tonnegrade, from Monday to Friday from 7 pm to 5 am. On weekends from 7 pm on Saturday to 5 am of Monday. In the rest of the department (green zone), the curfew is in force from 9 pm to 5 am every day of the week.

The external borders are closed.

Travelers must provide a negative PCR test upon arrival in the country, with an issue date within 72 hours prior to departure, and complete a self-assessment that will be delivered to them at the airport.

The restrictions and protocols related to the prevention of the spread of COVID 19 announced by the authorities in all ports remain in effect.

The ban on crew changes continues.

In the event that a crew member presents a Non-COVID 19 injury or illness, the health authorities must be informed and authorize the disembarkation for medical assistance on the ground in the public or private hospital system.



## **SAINT BARTH AND SAINT MARTIN:**

The curfew is in effect on both islands from 8 p.m. at 3 a.m.

Travelers must:

- Upon arrival in the country, please provide a complete vaccination status or negative PCR test with the date of issue within 72 hours prior to departure.
- Keep an isolation of 7 days.
- Present justification for the trip (excluding trips between the two territories).
- Carry out a self-check that will be delivered to you at the airport.

Crew changes are permitted - Requirements: ship(s) specs, previous ports, crew to off sign and on sign if need be and copy of their passports and seaman's books.

The crew is not allowed to spend the night ashore.

The crew must go from the ship to the airport and vice versa. Crew members arriving in Saint Martin must provide the immigration officer at the airport with a negative COVID-19 test, the results of which were received within 72 hours prior boarding the plane.



## SAINT LUCIA:

The government of Saint Lucia maintains the protocol and requirements established on December 10th, 2021 for the entry of travellers to the country

### Mandatory Entry Requirements

All travellers must complete and submit an online travel registration form to receive Travel Authorization, and must take a COVID PCR test 5 days or less before arrival to Saint Lucia and submit the negative results to the travel registration form for review and approval.

Passengers must receive and print your travel authorization documents prior travelling. Failure to do so will result in you being denied boarding of your flight or vessel.

As a fully vaccinated arrival you have expanded access to the island and will not be required to quarantine. Travelers are considered “Fully Vaccinated” once two weeks has passed since the second dose of the two-shot vaccine or two weeks after a single-dose vaccine. Vaccine proof must be presented on entry to Saint Lucia.

Unvaccinated passengers must be transferred by certified taxi to approved COVID-19 accommodation.

Visitors who are not fully vaccinated are required to remain on property for the duration of their stay except to transfer to another Covid-19 certified property to continue their stay, or to participate in certified activities, tours and excursions.

After 14 days in COVID certified accommodation, international visitors who are not vaccinated may remain in COVID certified accommodation and continue to observe the protocols for stays in this type of accommodation, and they will also enjoy expanded access to the destination.

On December 10th, the Ministry of Health announced that Covid-19 Protocols will be amended for December 2021 and January 2022 as follows:

- Confinement on Mondays, December 13th, December 27th and January 3rd, 2022 will begin at 5 p.m.
- All other protocols remain the same: Monday to Saturdays on the specific days not mentioned above will be 10 p.m. for confinement. On Sundays, confinement will remain at 5 p.m.
- These protocols will expire on January 14, 2021.

The restrictions and protocols related with the prevention of the spread the COVID 19 announced by the authorities at all Ports remain applicable and compulsory.

Crew changes are allowed with restrictions.

In case that a crew member presents a Non-COVID 19 injury or illness, health authorities has to be informed and they will be the one who authorized the disembark to shore medical assistance in the public or private hospital system.



## SINT MAARTEN :

The government of Sint Maarten maintains the protocol and requirements established on December 6th, 2021 for the entry of travellers to the country.

### Travel Requirements:

Due to the COVID-19 epidemic was established a mandatory health pre-authorization application through an Electronic Health Authorization System (EHAS) for every visitor arriving by air including transits, Sint Maarten and Saint Martin residents. Without the health pre-authorization boarding will not be possible. Be advised that processing time can take up to 12 hours.

All travelers who have visited one of the following African countries within 14 days prior to traveling to Sint Maarten will be denied entry: South Africa, Botswana, Lesotho, Eswatini, Zimbabwe, Namibia and Mozambique.

All fully vaccinated travelers from countries in the very-high risk category will be required to provide a negative 48 hr. PCR or a negative 24 hr. Ag test result.

All fully vaccinated travelers from a high risk country to Sint Maarten are exempted from a COVID-19 test. The completed vaccination date cannot be older than one year, unless a booster shot has been administered before the ending of the one-year term. The EHAS application must still be completed. The date of completion of vaccination must be submitted as well as valid proof of vaccination (official country vaccination card or QR code, full name and name, dates administered and batch number(s) of vaccine) from the country where the vaccine was administered. A received booster shot must be indicated in the appropriate field and proof thereof must be uploaded as well.

People are considered fully vaccinated with an accepted vaccine:

- 2 weeks after the second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer, Moderna, Astrazeneca, Sinopharm, Sinovac/Coronovac and Covishield vaccines, or
- 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson/Janssen vaccine, or
- 2 weeks after the second dose in a 2-dose series combination of a single dose Pfizer or Moderna with a single dose Astra Zeneca, or
- 2 weeks after a single-dose of vaccine after a confirmed COVID-19 infection within 6 months before the vaccination (to be stated on proof of vaccination in absence of a digital COVID-19 vaccination certificate).
- The accepted Covid-19 vaccines are: Comirnaty (Pfizer), Spikevax (Moderna), Vaxzevria (Astrazeneca), Johnson & Johnson/Janssen, Covishield (Astrazeneca), Sinopharm and Sinovac/CoronaVac.

A mandatory COVID-19 insurance has been implemented for all travelers with the exception of Sint Maarten residents. The insurance purchasing process is an integrated step in the EHAS application. Travelers requiring the COVID-19 insurance must complete this process upon application.

The application must be completed in order to be processed. This includes proof of a negative COVID-19 test result, information on the vaccination status (including official proof of completed vaccination in case fully vaccinated) and the purchase of the mandatory COVID-19 insurance in case required. Provide a working personal email address on which you are reachable.



## SINT MAARTEN :

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All incoming passengers are subjected to temperature checks and other screening protocols and may be subjected to mandatory testing at their own expense. Failure to comply with the screening at the Health Check Point upon arrival will result in you not being cleared to enter St. Maarten and sent back to your originating country. If re-tested upon arrival you will be required to self-isolate or self-quarantine at your place of lodging/residence until the test results are known. Applicants will receive confirmation of their accepted application. Non-completed applications will be automatically deleted within a day after the provided travel date.

If health authorization is pre-approved, you will receive a (printable) pre-authorization PDF via e-mail, which must be presented at check in and to the health and immigration authorities upon arrival. Keep the original RT-PCR or antigen test result and proof of vaccination.

### COVID-19 Test Requirements

#### Travelers to Sint Maarten from Low-Risk Countries:

- Fully and Non - (fully) Vaccinated: Does not require any test.

#### Travelers to Sint Maarten from High-Risk Countries:

- Fully Vaccinated: Does not require any test.
- Non - (fully) Vaccinated: RT-PCR test within 72 hrs. before departure.

#### Travelers to Sint Maarten from Very High Risk Countries:

- Fully Vaccinated: RT-PCR test within 48 hrs. before departure or Ag test within 24 hrs. before departure.
- Non - (fully) Vaccinated: RT-PCR test within 48 hrs. before departure.

#### Travelers to Sint Maarten from USA / Canada:

- Fully Vaccinated: Does not require any test.
- Non - (fully) Vaccinated: RT-PCR test within 72 hrs. before departure or Ag test within 48 hrs. before departure.

### Classification of countries according to the level of risk of transmission of COVID-19

- Low Risk Countries: Aruba, British Virgin Islands, China, Curacao, Hong Kong, Montserrat, Morocco, Saba, St. Barthelemy, St. Eustatius Taiwan and United Arab Emirates.
  - Very High Risk Countries: Austria, Belgium, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Norway, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, United Kingdom and Uruguay.
- High Risk Countries: all countries that do not appear in the Low Risk and Very High Risk Countries categories.





## ST EUSTATIUS:

The government of St. Eustatius maintains the protocol and requirements established on November 12th, 2021 for the entry of travellers to the country.

All persons, except not vaccinated tourists from (very) high risk countries are allowed to enter St. Eustatius based on the normal immigration rules.

Everyone that wants to enter St. Eustatius must register through the St. Eustatius EHAS system.

The request for entrance can be done within 72 hours before the planned date of arrival. Approval will be within 12 hours after receiving the request.

### Risk Level of COVID-19:

- COVID-19 Risk Very Low:
  - Vaccinated: No specific requirements
  - No Vaccinated: No specific requirements
- COVID-19 Risk Low:
  - Vaccinated: Pre-arrival COVID-19 PCR Test (< 48 hrs) or Antigen Test (< 24 hrs)
  - No Vaccinated: Pre-arrival COVID-19 PCR Test (< 48 hrs) and 10 days of quarantine with exit test
- COVID-19 Risk High:
  - Vaccinated: Pre-arrival COVID-19 PCR Test (< 48 hrs) or Antigen Test (< 24 hrs) and 5 days monitoring with exit test
  - No Vaccinated: Pre-arrival COVID-19 PCR Test (< 48 hrs) and 10 days of quarantine with exit test
- COVID-19 Risk Very High:
  - Vaccinated: Pre-arrival COVID-19 PCR Test (< 48 hrs) or Antigen Test (< 24 hrs), Entry Antigen Test and 5 days monitoring with exit test
  - No Vaccinated: Pre-arrival COVID-19 PCR Test (< 48 hrs) and 10 days of quarantine with exit test.

Fully vaccinated: this implies two weeks after the second shot of a two shots vaccine and four weeks after a one shot vaccine. Allowed are the WHO approved vaccines



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The list of countries was updated based on the level of risk from COVID-19 contagion:

- Very Low-risk countries: Montserrat, Saba,
- Low-risk countries: Antigua & Barbuda, Argentina, Australia, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bermuda, Bolivia, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Cabo Verde, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Curacao, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Honduras, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Israel, Jamaica, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kuwait, Macau, Mexico, Morocco, Myanmar, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, People's Republic of China, Peru, Philippines, Puerto Rico, Qatar, Republic of China, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, South Korea (Republic of Korea), Sri Lanka, Sint Kitts and Nevis, St. Barth, St. Maarten, United Arab Emirates, Uruguay.
- High-risk countries: Aruba, USA and all other countries that are not mentioned in this overview.
- Very High-risk countries: Afghanistan, Andorra, Anguilla, Austria, Barbados, Belgium, Bonaire, Botswana, Cayman Islands, Croatia, Czechia, Cyprus, Denmark, Dominica, Estonia, Eswanti, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Greenland, Guernsey, Haiti, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Jersey, Jordan, Latvia, Lesotho, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Malawi, Mauritius, Mongolia, Montenegro, Mozambique, Namibia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Serbia, Seychelles, Slovakia, Slovenia, Somalia, South Africa, Switzerland, Trinidad & Tobago, United Kingdom, Venezuela, Zimbabwe.

Visitors coming from a country with a lower risk and a transit of more than 5 hours in a very high risk country will be treated as if they come from the transit country.

Non vaccinated Persons entering from low risk, high risk and very high risk countries must go into quarantine upon entry for 10 days (not including the day of travel).

The government will not give permission to conduct work during the quarantine for persons entering. Exemptions can be requested for conducting essential work, exemptions will require extra testing on cost of the person in quarantine.

If vaccinated persons under monitoring need to conduct work which is not possible under the monitoring protocol exemptions can be granted, exemptions will require extra testing on cost of the person under monitoring.

Non vaccinated tourists from high and very high risk countries will not be allowed to enter.

The restrictions and protocols related with the prevention of the spread the COVID 19 announced by the authorities at all Ports remain applicable and compulsory.

Crew changes are allowed with restrictions.

In case that a crew member presents a Non-COVID 19 injury or illness, health authorities has to be informed and they will be the one who authorized the disembark to shore medical assistance in the public or private hospital system.



## **SURINAME:**

On November 26, government authorities announced the new COVID-19 measures, effective as on November 29, 2021 until further notice, among which the following stand out:

- Curfew throughout the country from 9:00 pm to 5:00 am.
- Countries with a "variant of concern", as indicated by WHO, are initially classified as high-risk countries.

All travelers arriving in the country must present:

- Printed proof of complete vaccination. The "fully vaccinated" status is acquired two (2) weeks after the last COVID-19 vaccination.
- The negative result of a PCR test; the result must not be more than 48 hours before the departure of the flight to Suriname. The negative result test must be issued by an official testing body.

The restrictions and protocols related to the prevention of the spread of COVID 19 announced by the authorities in all ports remain in effect.

In the event that any crew member presents an injury or illness other than COVID-19, the health authorities must be informed and they will authorize disembarkation for medical assistance on the ground in the public or private hospital system.

The crew change ban continues.



## **TRINIDAD & TOBAGO:**

The government of Trinidad & Tobago maintains the protocols and requests established on November 26th, 2021 for all visitors entering to the country.

Non-nationals who are NOT fully vaccinated will not be allowed entry to Trinidad and Tobago at this time. Only fully vaccinated non-nationals are being allowed entry.

All persons entering Trinidad and Tobago must have a TTravel Pass, which should be obtained via this online gateway. Travellers who successfully complete the application process will be automatically granted a TTravel Pass. The TTravel Pass can be printed or saved on a mobile device for use to board the flight and to gain entry into Trinidad and Tobago.

At this time, Unvaccinated/Partially vaccinated nationals MUST enter the country through the Piarco International Airport in Trinidad only.

The possession of a TTravel Pass does not guarantee access to board the flight nor to enter Trinidad and Tobago. All travellers will still be subjected to the validation processes of both the relevant airline and the Border Control Authorities in Trinidad and Tobago.

Travellers may begin the application process 72 hours before arrival in Trinidad and Tobago.



## TRINIDAD & TOBAGO:

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Individuals are only considered to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 if 14 days have passed since they received the full dosage of a World Health Organisation approved vaccine, i.e. 14 days after they have received of a second.

For 2-dose series COVID-19 vaccines, passengers must have received 2 doses of the same vaccine OR the first dose of the AstraZeneca / Covishield vaccine followed by the second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine. Passengers with any other combination of vaccines would NOT be considered fully vaccinated, at this time.

Visitors to Trinidad and Tobago must be fully vaccinated by the time of their application for the TTravel Pass.

Please note that passengers shall be required to provide evidence of:

- negative PCR tests no older than three (3) days;
- being fully vaccinated in accordance with WHO standards using WHO approved vaccines; and
- fully paid for state supervised quarantine at an approved hotel facility where applicable;

Due the emergence of the new COVID-19 Variant Omicron (B.1.1.529), the Government of Trinidad and Tobago has imposed travel restrictions on travellers from the following countries, with effect from midnight on the 26th November, 2021: Botswana, Eswatini (formerly Swaziland), Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa and Zimbabwe.

- Non-Nationals travellers who have visited the countries listed above within a fourteen (14) day time period of their arrival in Trinidad and Tobago will NOT be allowed entry into Trinidad and Tobago at this time.
- Nationals travellers who have visited the countries listed above, within a fourteen (14) day time period of their arrival in Trinidad and Tobago, will be allowed entry into Trinidad and Tobago, but they will require a mandatory state-supervised quarantine of no less than 14 days.

The traveller will be required to bear all associated costs and therefore should make the necessary arrangements prior to travel.

This applies to both vaccinated and non-vaccinated nationals travelling from the countries listed previously.

All other existing country entry requirements must be adhered.

The restrictions and protocols related with the prevention of the spread the COVID 19 announced by the authorities at all Ports remain applicable and compulsory.

Crew change remains forbidden.

In case that a crew member presents a Non-COVID 19 injury or illness, health authorities has to be informed and they will be the one who authorized the disembark to shore medical assistance in the public or private hospital system.



## VENEZUELA:

On November 18, 2021, the National Institute of Civil Aeronautics (INAC) announced that the restrictions on the operations of Commercial Aviation, General and Private Aviation, from and to Venezuela continue. It also reported that, exceptionally, only commercial air operations are authorized for the transfer of passengers, cargo and mail, between Venezuela and Turkey, Mexico, Panama, the Dominican Republic, Bolivia and Russia in accordance with NOTAM No. C1183 / 21 and A0467 / 2021 dated November 18, 2021.

From November 1, 2021 to January 1, 2022, the country will remain in the extended easing period, as announced by the authorities on October 31, 2021.

All travelers arriving in Venezuela must register online before departure at <http://pasedesalud.casalab.com.ve/>, this will generate a QR code that they must present upon arrival. They must also present a negative result of a PCR test for COVID-19, carried out in a period of 72 hours prior to their arrival in the country.

The restrictions and protocols related to the prevention of the spread of COVID 19 announced by the authorities in all ports remain in effect. In the event that any crew member presents an injury or illness other than COVID 19, the health authorities must be informed and they will authorize the landing of medical assistance on the ground in the public or private hospital system.

The issuance of safe conducts to key workers in the sector (seafarers and personnel associated with the port-ship interface) continues, to guarantee their mobilization on land, as indicated by the Maritime Authority in Circular No. 014 (Special Notice 011 COVID-19) April 27, 2020.

### **NOTE:**

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