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# Suspended Lanes

5 Reciprocal Green Lanes are now temporarily closed



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of COVID-19 cases in  
Singapore were imported  
from overseas since  
January 2021

*Data Source: MOH Singapore*

## Quick Facts



A large proportion of imported cases in Singapore comes from long-term work pass and work permit holders who departed from countries deemed as high risks including the US, UK, Japan, Bangladesh, Malaysia, Indonesia India and more.



Imported COVID-19 cases are likely the inception points which led to renewed local transmissions in many countries. A recent study shows that a full travel ban reduced local transmissions in Australia by 86%, demonstrating the need for immediate strict border regulations to prevent new outbreaks.

## Latest Updates



Given the resurgence of COVID-19 cases, Singapore and other countries reviewed their respective border measures to manage the risk of importation and onward local transmission of COVID-19



Reciprocal Green Lanes are now temporarily suspended with the 5 countries below:



### Germany

3-months suspension,  
effective from 1st Feb 2021



### Malaysia

3-months suspension,  
effective from 1st Feb 2021



### Indonesia

Temporary suspension,  
until 8th Feb 2021



### South Korea

3-months suspension,  
effective from 1st Feb 2021



### Japan

Temporary suspension,  
until 7th Feb 2021



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# Business Travel through Reciprocal Green Lane (RGL)



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China



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## Business Travel with Partial Restrictions



Netherlands



South Africa



Turkey



United Kingdom



United States



Vietnam





## Brunei

Updated on 2nd October 2020



Sponsoring company to apply from [Entry Travel Pass website](#) at least 8 working days before departure

Maximum stay: 30 days



Remained in Singapore for 14 days

Negative PCR COVID-19 test 72 hours prior to departure

Download mobile tracing application - BruHealth

14-days controlled travel itinerary

Approved Entry Travel Pass



Host to arrange direct transportation to hotel

Mandatory COVID-19 PCR test on the next day after arrival



Remain isolation in hotel until test results are released

Adhere to controlled itinerary and only travel with private transportation



## China

RGL Cities: Shanghai, Tianjin, Chongqing, Jiangsu, Zhejiang

Updated on 14th June 2020



Sponsoring company/  
government agency  
to apply Fast Lane  
Access from Foreign  
Affairs Office or  
Commerce Authority

Traveller(s) to apply  
Chinese visa with  
invitation letter  
issued

Maximum stay:  
Case-by-case basis



Remained in  
Singapore for 14  
days

Negative PCR  
COVID-19 test 48  
hours prior to  
departure

Download mobile  
tracing application

14-days controlled  
travel itinerary

Approved Entry  
Visa



Mandatory  
COVID-19 PCR test  
and serology test



Remain isolation in  
hotel until test  
results are released

Adhere to  
controlled itinerary  
and only travel with  
private  
transportation

After 14 days,  
traveller(s) may  
travel to non-RGL  
regions within  
China

*Note: Traveller(s) should always check for the latest updates/ requirements from relevant authorities prior departure*



## Returning to Singapore

Updated as of 27th January 2021



Brunei



China

Present all relevant RGL travel documents

Compulsory COVID-19 PCR test upon arrival in Singapore

Remain in isolation until the test result is out

Traveller(s) with negative test result is exempted from Stay-Home Notice (SHN)



Germany



Indonesia



Japan



Malaysia



South Korea

Compulsory COVID-19 PCR test upon arrival in Singapore

Traveller(s) will be subjected to 14 days SHN at dedicated SHN facility

Mandatory COVID-19 PCR test at the end of SHN

*Note: RGL arrangement with the 5 countries has been temporarily suspended*

<https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg/rgl/returning>

<https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg/files/SHN-and-swab-summary.pdf>





## Netherlands

Updated on 29th December 2020



Check the [latest safe countries list](#) from the Netherlands Government website

Maximum stay:  
Follow visa conditions



Remained in Singapore for 14 days

Negative PCR  
COVID-19 test 72 hours prior to departure



Present negative COVID-19 PCR results



Traveller(s) that did not meet requirements may need to self-isolate for a maximum of 10 days

*Note: Traveller(s) should always check for the latest updates/ requirements from relevant authorities prior departure*





## South Africa

Entry Points: Tambo International Airport, King Shaka International Airport, Cape Town International Airport

Updated on 29th December 2020



Check the latest border regulations from the South African Government website

Maximum stay:  
Follow visa conditions



Remained in Singapore for 14 days

Negative PCR COVID-19 test 72 hours prior to departure

Install the COVID Alert South Africa mobile application



Present negative COVID-19 PCR results



Traveller(s) that did not meet requirements may need to be quarantined at designated facility at own cost

*Note: Traveller(s) should always check for the latest updates/ requirements from relevant authorities prior departure*





Updated on 30th December 2020



Maximum stay:  
Follow visa  
conditions



Remained in  
Singapore for 14  
days

Negative PCR  
COVID-19 test 72  
hours prior to  
departure



Present negative  
COVID-19 PCR  
results

Complete passenger  
information form  
Undergo medical  
screening for  
COVID-19 related  
symptoms



Traveller(s) that  
shows COVID-19  
related symptoms  
will be required to  
perform another  
swab test

*Note: Traveller(s) should always check for the latest updates/ requirements from relevant authorities prior departure*





## United Kingdom

Updated on 18th January 2020



Check the latest travel corridor list on UK government website

Maximum stay:  
Follow visa conditions



Remained in Singapore for 14 days

Negative PCR COVID-19 test 72 hours prior to departure

Complete online passenger locator form and submit 48 hours prior arrival



Present negative COVID-19 PCR results

Present a copy (printed/electronic) of the passenger locator form with QR code



Traveller(s) needs to self-isolate for 10 days



## United States

Updated on 26th January 2020



Check the latest entry restrictions list from CDC website

Maximum stay:  
Follow visa conditions



Remained in Singapore for 14 days

Negative PCR COVID-19 test 72 hours prior to departure



Present negative COVID-19 PCR results



Traveller(s) are recommended to perform another COVID-19 test within 3 to 5 days post arrival and self-quarantine for 10 days post-travel

*Note: Traveller(s) should always check for the latest updates/ requirements from relevant authorities prior departure*





## Vietnam

Updated on 30th December 2020

The regulations below only applicable for permitted visitors on trips with less than 14 days



Prepare travel itinerary and submit application to HCMC's Department of Labour/ Invalids and social affairs/ Hanoi's People Committee

Maximum stay:  
14 days



Submit online health declaration at <https://tokhaiyte.vn/>

Negative PCR COVID-19 test 3 to 5 days prior to departure

Ensure the traveller(s) is covered with appropriate health insurance; or investing agencies/ organisations to bear any treatment fee related to COVID-19



Present negative COVID-19 PCR results

Must install and register with Bluezone application



Mandatory COVID-19 swab tests every two days while in Vietnam in lieu of quarantine

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Netherlands



South Africa\*



Turkey



United Kingdom\*



United States

Compulsory COVID-19 swab test upon arrival in Singapore

Traveller(s) will be subjected to 14 days SHN at dedicated SHN facility

Mandatory COVID-19 PCR test at the end of SHN

\*Additional 7-day SHN at place of residence and COVID-19 PCR test at the end of the 7-day SHN



Vietnam

Compulsory COVID-19 PCR test upon arrival in Singapore

Remain in isolation until the test result is out

Traveller(s) with negative test result is exempted from Stay-Home Notice

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# Impact on travel arrangement discussions with other countries:



Hong Kong

*Air Travel Bubble (ATB) is  
temporary deferred until  
further notice*



Thailand

*We are actively  
monitoring the progress*

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