

[REVISION TO CAMBODIA'S ENTRY REQUIREMENT DURING COVID-19]

In the purpose to ease entry into Cambodia for fully vaccinated travellers, the Royal Government of Cambodia (RGC) has decided to make revision to some of the entry requirements, as announced by Cambodia's Ministry of Health (MOH), effective from 18 October 2021.

As part of the revision, travellers to Cambodia have been separated into the following two categories:

(1) Fully Vaccinated Travellers

- (A) Foreign travellers, who hold a Diplomatic "A" visa or Official "B" visa, and their family members
- (B) Foreign business travellers (i.e., investors, business personnel, company employees, specialists, technical experts), who have Sponsorship or Invitation from business entities in Cambodia, and their family members
- (C) All other foreign travellers (i.e., tourists, travellers not under Sponsorship or Invitation scheme)
- (D) Cambodian nationals, who hold a Cambodian passport or a foreign passport

(2) Non-Vaccinated or Partially Vaccinated Travellers

(1) Fully Vaccinated Travellers

(A) Foreign travellers, who hold a Diplomatic “A” visa or Official “B” visa, and their family members

Before Departure to Cambodia

The following documents are required:

- ① Valid Diplomatic “A” or Official “B” visa issued by the Cambodia embassy/Honorary Consulates
 - ※ For non-Diplomatic or Official passport holders only
- ② Vaccination Certificate
- ③ Covid-19 Negative Test Certificate (in English), issued within 72 hours prior to departure.
 - ※ Refer to ANNEX for specific requirement on Negative Test Certificate
- ④ Hotel Booking Confirmation
 - ※ For travellers who choose to quarantine at Alternative State Quarantine (ASQ) hotels only
 - ※ Refer to ANNEX for list of available hotels under ASQ scheme

After Arrival in Cambodia

- ① Present valid visa (※ For non-Diplomatic or Official passport holders only), Covid-19 Negative Test Certificate (issued within 72 hours prior to departure), Vaccination Certificate, and Hotel Booking Confirmation (※ For users of ASQ hotel scheme only) at immigration in Cambodia.
- ② Once documents are confirmed, traveller will proceed to undergo PCR testing.
- ③ If test result is negative, traveller will undergo three-day compulsory quarantine
- ④ If test result is positive, traveller will be transferred to MOH medical treatment centre.

(B) Foreign business travellers (i.e., investors, business personnel, company employees, specialists, technical experts), who have Sponsorship or Invitation from business entities in Cambodia, and their family members

Before Departure to Cambodia

The following documents are required:

- ① Valid business visa issued by the Cambodia embassy/Honorary Consulates
- ② “Validation Certificate on Guarantee” or “Validation Certificate on Invitation” issued by RGC
 - The CEO, president or shareholder of the business entity in Cambodia needs to apply for the issuance of the Validation Certificate. Application can be done at the following website:
 - Cambodia Data Exchange (www.registrationservices.gov.kh)
 - It takes about 3 working days for approval after application.
 - Once approved, a Validation Certificate with 30-day validity and only for one-time use will be issued.

- Submission of the Validation Certificate is required when applying for visa at the Cambodia Embassy/Honorary Consulates.
- ③ Vaccination Certificate
- ④ Covid-19 Negative Test Certificate (in English), issued within 72 hours prior to departure.
 - ※ Refer to ANNEX for specific requirement on Negative Test Certificate
- ⑤ FORTE Covid-19 Insurance
 - ※ Travellers are required to have Covid-19 insurance, which can be purchased from FORTE Insurance company. (USD90, with validity of 20 days, <https://www.forteinsurance.com/covid-19-insurance/>)
- ⑥ Hotel Booking Confirmation
 - ※ For travellers who choose to quarantine at Alternative State Quarantine (ASQ) hotels only
 - ※ Refer to ANNEX for list of available hotels under ASQ scheme

After Arrival in Cambodia

- ① Present “Validation Certificate on Guarantee” or “Validation Certificate on Invitation”, valid business visa, Covid-19 Negative Test Certificate (issued within 72 hours prior to departure), Vaccination Certificate, FORTE Insurance Certificate, and Hotel Booking Confirmation (※ For users of ASQ hotel scheme only) at immigration in Cambodia.
- ② Once documents are confirmed, traveller will proceed to undergo PCR testing.
- ③ If test result is negative, traveller will undergo 3-day compulsory quarantine
- ④ If test result is positive, traveller will be transferred to MOH medical treatment centre.
- ⑤ For non-users of ASQ Hotel scheme, deposit of USD600 is required. The deposit will be used to cover the 3-day hotel quarantine expenses (USD60~75 per night), PCR testing fee, transportation from airport to hotel, and medical treatment fee in the event if travellers is infected with Covid-19. Any remaining balance, if have, will be returned to traveller within 3 days after the end of quarantine period.
- ⑥ For non-users of ASQ Hotel scheme, travellers will be escorted to MOH's designated hotel, and proceed with 3-day compulsory quarantine.
- ⑦ For users of ASQ Hotel scheme, travellers will be escorted by hotel's transport.

(C) All other foreign travellers (i.e., tourists, travellers not under Sponsorship or Invitation scheme)

Before Departure to Cambodia

The following documents are required:

- ① Valid visa issued by the Cambodia embassy/Honorary Consulates
- ② Vaccination Certificate
- ③ Covid-19 Negative Test Certificate (in English), issued within 72 hours prior to departure.
 - ※ Refer to ANNEX for specific requirement on Negative Test Certificate
- ④ FORTE Covid-19 Insurance

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- ⑤ Hotel Booking Confirmation
 - ※ For travellers who choose to quarantine at Alternative State Quarantine (ASQ) hotels only
 - ※ Refer to ANNEX for list of available hotels under ASQ scheme

After Arrival in Cambodia

- ① Present valid visa, Covid-19 Negative Test Certificate (issued within 72 hours prior to departure), Vaccination Certificate, FORTE Insurance Certificate, and Hotel Booking Confirmation (※ For users of ASQ hotel scheme only) at immigration in Cambodia.
- ② Once documents are confirmed, traveller will proceed to undergo PCR testing.
- ③ If test result on 1st and 6th day is negative, traveller will undergo **7-day** compulsory quarantine.
- ④ If test result is positive, traveller will be transferred to MOH medical treatment centre.
- ⑤ For non-users of ASQ Hotel scheme, deposit of **USD1,000** is required. The deposit will be used to cover the 7-day hotel quarantine expenses (USD60~75 per night), PCR testing fee, transportation from airport to hotel, and medical treatment fee in the event if travellers is infected with Covid-19. Any remaining balance, if have, will be returned to traveller within 3 days after the end of quarantine period.
- ⑥ For non-users of ASQ Hotel scheme, travellers will be escorted to MOH's designated hotel, and proceed with 7-day compulsory quarantine.
- ⑦ For users of ASQ Hotel scheme, travellers will be escorted by hotel's transport.

(D) Cambodian nationals, who hold a Cambodian passport or a foreign passport

Before Departure to Cambodia

The following documents are required:

- ① Valid **Khmer "K" visa** issued by the Cambodia embassy
 - ※ For Cambodian nationals who are holders of a foreign passport only
- ② For Cambodians who are investors, business personnel, company employees, specialists, technical experts) and their family members, "Validation Certificate on Guarantee" or "Validation Certificate on Invitation" issued by RGC
 - The CEO, president or shareholder of the business entity in Cambodia needs to apply for the issuance of the Validation Certificate. Application can be done at the following website:
 - Cambodia Data Exchange (www.registrationservices.gov.kh)
 - It takes about 3 working days for approval after application.
 - Once approved, a Validation Certificate with 30-day validity and only for one-time usage will be issued.
 - Submission of the Validation Certificate is required when applying for visa at the Cambodia Embassy/Honorary Consulates.

- ③ Vaccination Certificate
- ④ Covid-19 Negative Test Certificate (in English), issued within 72 hours prior to departure.
 - ※ Refer to ANNEX for specific requirement on Negative Test Certificate
- ⑤ Purchase of Covid-19 Insurance is not required
- ⑥ Hotel Booking Confirmation
 - ※ For travellers who choose to quarantine at Alternative State Quarantine (ASQ) hotels only
 - ※ Refer to ANNEX for list of available hotels under ASQ scheme

After Arrival in Cambodia

- ① Present valid visa (※ For K-visa holders only), Covid-19 Negative Test Certificate (issued within 72 hours prior to departure), Vaccination Certificate, and Hotel Booking Confirmation (※ For users of ASQ hotel scheme only) at immigration in Cambodia.
- ② Once documents are confirmed, traveller will proceed to undergo PCR testing.
- ③ If test result on 1st and 6th day is negative, traveller will undergo 7-day compulsory quarantine.
- ④ For Cambodians who are investors, business personnel, company employees, specialists, technical experts) and their family members, with “Validation Certificate on Guarantee” or “Validation Certificate on Invitation”, travellers will undergo 3-day compulsory quarantine.
- ⑤ If test result is positive, traveller will be transferred to MOH medical treatment centre.
- ⑥ Deposit is not required.
- ⑦ For non-users of ASQ Hotel scheme, travellers will be escorted to MOH’s designated quarantine facility, and proceed with compulsory quarantine.
- ⑧ For users of ASQ Hotel scheme, travellers will be escorted by hotel’s transport.
- ⑨ For Cambodians who choose to quarantine at home, they must apply to Cambodian government 3 days before departure, and subjected to home quarantine requirement by the government.

(2) Non-Vaccinated or Partially Vaccinated Travellers

Same entry requirement applies as with Fully Vaccinated Travellers. However, non-vaccinated/partially vaccinated travellers will be subjected to 14-day compulsory quarantine. For non-ASQ Hotel scheme users, a deposit of USD2,000 is required.

ANNEX

A) Pre-flight Covid-19 Test · Medical Certificate

1. All foreign travellers (and K-visa holders) must take pre-flight Covid-19 test and have medical certificate indicating negative result.
2. Pre-flight Covid-19 test must be done via nasal swab, not saliva testing.
3. Medical certificate must be issued within 72 hours prior to departure, not arrival. And it should be 72 hours from time of test result issued, not time of test administered. Therefore, if your flight is on Monday morning, 11.00am, your test result must be issued on Friday morning, from 11.00am and above. Bonus point if you can get your test result issued within 24~48 hours, just in case your flight got delayed suddenly.
4. Medical certificate to be computer-printed if possible, but doctor's signature and stamp must be hand-signed. We heard that hand-written medical certificates are not being accepted, and you may be rejected for plane boarding or deported on arrival.
5. Request your doctor to sign in blue ink if possible, to avoid looking like it's printed signature.
6. Medical certificate must be in English and must indicate "NASAL SWAB" and "NEGATIVE". Statement like "No Covid-19" is not accepted.

※ Inform and request your doctor on all the above before taking the PCR test.

B) Alternative State Quarantine (ASQ) Hotel

Below are the available ASQ hotels for pre-booking

- ① Sokha Phnom Penh Hotel & Residence
URL: <https://www.sokhahotels.com.kh/phnompenh/>
- ② Courtyard by Marriott Phnom Penh
URL: <https://www.marriott.co.jp/hotels/travel/pnhcy-courtyard-phnom-penh/>
- ③ Raffles Hotel Le Royal Phnom Penh
URL: <https://www.affles.com/phnom-penh/>
- ④ Sofitel Phnom Penh Phokeethra
URL: <https://www.sofitel-phnompenh-phokeethra.com/>
- ⑤ Himawari Hotel
URL: <http://www.himawarihotel.com/>

C) Deposit USD600 · USD1,000 · USD2,000

1. Deposit is required for non-ASQ Hotel scheme users.

2. Deposit can be paid via cash or credit card. However, cash payment is highly recommended in case your credit card cannot be read by the ATMs at the airport or if machine is down. Or standby some cash just in case.
3. Note that some banks may charge an admin fee of USD30.
4. After paying the deposit, a receipt will be given. Keep the receipt safe with you at all times because you need it to get your deposit back.

D) Others

For submission to airlines, immigration etc., where required, it is recommendable to print and prepare a few copies of the following documents before departure.

- ① PCR Negative Test Certificate
- ② “Validation Certificate on Guarantee” or “Validation Certificate on Invitation”
- ③ Vaccination Certificate
- ④ FORTE Insurance Certificate
- ⑤ Hotel Confirmation Booking (※ For users of ASQ hotel scheme only)

Summary

The revision this time has brought about a significant number of changes to the entry requirement into Cambodia. We ask for all travellers to check and be aware of the category they are under, and prepare the necessary documents accordingly. We also recommend to have a copy of official statements on Covid-19 requirements released by Cambodia’s MFAIC (Ministry of Foreign Affairs & International Cooperation), Ministry of Health, or SSCA (State Secretariat of Civil Aviation) to show as proof and for explanation to airlines or immigration etc. if required.

In any case, always check for the latest updates with embassy/honorary consulates, as well as the airline company you are using, once more before departure.

Once again, we urge everyone to be **Socially Responsible** – Wear Mask, and practise Social Distance.

Website Link(s):

1. 在日本カンボジア王国大使館 Royal Embassy of Cambodia in Japan
http://www.cambodianembassy.jp/web2/?page_id=4377&lang=en
2. カンボジア外務省 Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Cambodia
<https://www.mfaic.gov.kh/covid-19>
3. 在カンボジア日本国大使館 Embassy of Japan in Cambodia
https://www.kh.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_ja/b_000197.html