

# ATPI Advisory

## 26th February 2021

### ATPI Alerts Travel Opportunities per Country during Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Dear Valued Client,

The world is still changing by the hour during this COVID pandemic outbreak. Many travel bans are being eased or lifted and other countries still extend or expand their current travel bans. Airlines slowly start up their network again, although with lower capacity. Our 3-weekly update informs you in short about the latest information.

#### Updated electronic form for the Philippines

Please be informed that the Electronic Case Investigation Form (e-CIF) for sea-based Overseas Filipino Workers has now a new link.

[e-CIF for sea-based OFWs](#)

Furthermore, sharing below helpful links from Philippine Airlines for your easy reference.

[Arriving in the Philippines Guide](#)

[Arrival Guide for OFWs](#)

[Eligible Travelers Allowed to Enter PH](#)

#### Update on travel regulations to China

As per the advisory received by AFKL, we wish to inform you with the new regulations applicable for passengers to China, as well as COVID-19 testing in AMS, effective immediately.

- A. **The Chinese embassy** in the Netherlands will only deliver the QR code /HDC to passengers when the first point of commencement is NL or when passengers are coming from countries where there are no direct flights to China. All passengers travelling from NL to CN or from FR to CN must take a direct flight. All passengers travelling to China from a third country where a direct flight to China does not exist can transit via AMS or CDG.

**B. As from February 23rd, same day testing for PCR and IgM in AMS is no longer allowed in transit to China.**

- Eligible transit passengers may commence their travel from AMS to China at least a day after their test. Connecting passengers who will arrive and depart AMS on the same day will not be accepted for the PCR and IgM test.

- The Chinese Embassy in NL will only accept PCR and IgM test from the recognized Institutions. Notice on the New Requirements for China-bound Foreign Passengers via [china-embassy.org](http://china-embassy.org) websites.

- NON Chinese nationals can apply for their QR/HDC via <https://hrhk.cs.mfa.gov.cn/H5/>

- Eligible connecting passengers must upload:

1. test certificates of Covid-19 PCR and IgM antibody tests within 2 days before boarding issued by recognized institutions by the Chinese Embassy;
2. complete itineraries;
3. passport or residence permit of the country of departure;
4. a screenshot of the QR code with "HDC" mark issued by the Chinese embassy or consulate in the country of departure.

**Those who cannot provide all the documents listed above will not receive the QR code with "HDC" mark.**

Chinese nationals are requested to read the Chinese version of the Embassy Notice

- C. Eligible **connecting passengers traveling via CDG** need to have a minimum connecting time of 10 hours. Same day travel and transit is still permitted.

## Areas & airports opening or softening restrictions

### AREAS & AIRPORTS:

- **Taiwan:** Update: Entry ban of non-resident travelers will be lifted on 1 March; COVID-19 test and quarantine required
- **China, Macau:** Update: Macau government lifts COVID-19 travel restrictions for visitors from mainland China
- **U.S.:** Chicago lifts COVID-19 quarantine restrictions on travel to, from 18 states
- **Netherlands:** Update: Some COVID-19 lockdown measures eased as curfew extended until 15 March; no change in travel regulations
- **U.K.:** Update: Stay-at-home restriction in Scotland expected to be lifted from 5 April

- **Denmark, U.K.:** Update: Danish government lifts entry ban on travelers from the U.K., extends all other COVID-19 travel restrictions through 5 April
- **Europe:** Update: **Latvia** government allows passenger travel to Ireland, Portugal, U.K. to resume from 26 February
- **Cyprus:** Update: Government eases some lockdown restrictions
- **Peru:** Update: Government eases lockdown, extends night curfew and all-day curfew on Sundays until 14 March

### AIRLINES / TRAIN:

- **Africa, Middle East:** Update: **Libyan Airlines** increases flights to Alexandria, Istanbul, Niamey, Sfax and Tunis
- **Thailand:** **Thai AirAsia** expects to resume all domestic flights in April
- **Mexico, Spain, U.S.:** Update: **Evelop Airlines, Frontier Airlines, Southwest Airlines, Viva Aerobus** will resume flights to Cozumel from March
- **Azerbaijan, Ukraine:** Update: **Ukraine International Airlines** will resume flights between Kyiv and Baku from 13 March
- **Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Pakistan, Uzbekistan:** Update: **Pakistan International Airlines** will increase number of flights to Baku, Kabul and Tashkent
- **Australia:** Update: **Jetstar, Qantas** plan to resume international flights to most destinations from 31 October

## Areas, airlines & airports imposing further restrictions

### AREAS & AIRPORTS:

- **Greece:** Update: Lockdown restrictions in Athens will be extended beyond 1 March as COVID-19 infection rates increase
- **China, France:** Direct flights between countries cut as French authorities order flight cancellations
- **South Korea, U.K.:** Update: South Korea government extends suspension of direct flights from U.K. until 11 March
- **France:** Government orders weekend lockdown in Dunkirk because of rise in COVID-19 cases
- **Africa, Czech Republic, South America:** Authorities in Czech Republic ban travel to several countries because of COVID-19
- **Norway:** Update: Government tightens COVID-19 quarantine rules for incoming travelers
- **Jordan:** Update: Government reimposes all-day curfew on Fridays because of COVID-19
- **Australia, New Zealand:** Update: Travelers from New Zealand face tighter restrictions in New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, Victoria because of COVID-19
- **Portugal:** Update: COVID-19 lockdown to be extended until mid-March

### AIRLINES / TRAIN:

- No updates.

Please stay informed by subscribing to [ATPI Alerts](#).

*This information is up to date at the time of publication and is subject to change without prior notice*

The above (as uploaded in ATPI Alerts) are the most recent and urgent travel news. However, we suggest that you also follow the below links including updated news for any country of your interest.

IATA: <https://www.iatatravelcentre.com/international-travel-document-news/1580226297.htm>

IATA: <https://www.iata.org/en/programs/covid-19-resources-guidelines/covid-gov-mitigation/>

Travelport: <https://www.travelport.com/sites/default/files/2020-11/airline-policies.pdf>

PCR rapid test locations: <https://www.netherlandsworldwide.nl/documents/frequently-asked-questions/where-can-i-get-a-pcr-or-rapid-test-outside-the-netherlands>

Skyteam Covid test directory: <https://skyteam.trustassure.app/>

**Check the latest travel rules & restrictions for your trip here:**

<https://apply.joinsherpa.com/travel-restrictions?affiliateId=americanairlines>

<https://klm.traveldoc.aero/>

Most importantly, make sure to safeguard your own health by following general hygiene rules and avoiding social gatherings. Responsibility is the key to overcoming those hard times and returning back to normal the soonest possible.

