

## Ministry of Health Guyana



### Requirements for Entry into Guyana

- All foreign travelers to Guyana must be fully vaccinated\* and will be required to present their Vaccination Passport/Proof of Vaccination for inspection upon arrival.
- All fully vaccinated persons travelling to Guyana must take a molecular COVID-19 RNA PCR test within 72 hours days prior to arrival in order to enter the country.

*\*Fully Vaccinated refers to having a complete course/regimen of vaccination at least two week prior to travel.  
Travelers with a mixed vaccination regimen are considered fully vaccinated*

Real time PCR Test results **required** to present a copy of the test results bearing their name at the airline check in counter and to the Port Health Officer upon arrival in Guyana.

- Airlines must verify that the covid-19 molecular PCR test was done within the stipulated 72 hours (three day) time period for persons to qualify to board.
- Persons whose tests were taken more than 72 hours (3 days) prior to flight or less than 7 days prior to travel will need to have a second PCR test done upon arrival. **Persons with a PCR test taken more that 7 days prior to their flight will not be allowed to board.**
- Persons whose test was taken within 72 hours (less than 3 days) prior to travel are not required to be tested on arrival unless after the Port Health Officer determines that this is necessary based on signs or symptoms detected at this time are consistent with those of a suspected case of COVID-19, any additional measures can be recommended at this time including quarantine.

Test results must be validated by the Port Health Officials from the Ministry of Health in Guyana. Test results should be presented in English to facilitate validation. The laboratory providing the result must be an accredited, certified or recognized facility.

- Passengers with a negative PCR result taken within 72 hours of travel will be assessed by Port Health and if asymptomatic, will be free to proceed to the immigration points. These travelers will be permitted to leave the airport after clearance by Immigration, Customs and Port Health Officials.
- Arriving passengers with molecular PCR tests exceeding the 72-hour limit will not be allowed to enter the country.
- Individuals who have had a positive viral test in the previous 90 days, and have met the criteria to end isolation, may travel with documentation of the positive viral test result and an official written or electronic document from a licensed healthcare provider or a public health official that states the individual has been cleared for travel. The positive test result and letter together are referred to as "Certificate of Clearance from quarantine/isolation." A negative COVID-19 test would not be required in this case

**In all cases, if testing is done on arrival for any reason the following will apply:**

- All persons must provide a valid local telephone number that is verifiable by Port Health Authorities. Each passenger is required to call a Port Health provided number for verification.
- All persons must remain in quarantine until they receive their results. Results are received within 6-8 hours of sample collection. Persons who test positive must isolate either in a suitable home or government isolation facility

**Rapid tests, Antibody nor Antigen are NOT are accepted for travel to Guyana.**

Please note that the following results will **NOT** be accepted:

1. Rapid PCR tests
2. Rapid tests using Saliva samples
3. Self-administered tests (even if the sample was taken under the supervision of a healthcare provider)
4. Home kits
5. Loop Mediated Isothermal Amplification (LAMP) tests

**The Ministry of Health reserves the right to require testing of any person regardless of documentation presented or any other requirement, obligation or condition associated with their assigned risk category.**

## Procedures at Port of Entry

### Processing of Arriving Passengers

1. Masks must be worn at all times while at the airport.
2. Children 2 years and over are required to wear masks
3. All passengers travelling to Guyana are required to obtain a negative COVID-19 test (negative molecular biological PCR test) result within three (3) days upon arrival from a recognized medical institution or lab in the originating State.
4. All incoming travelers must undergo a health assessment which may include a temperature check and a brief interview by Port Health Officials.
5. Children below the age of two (2) years old travelling with parents or other authorized adults who have tested negative are not required to be tested. Older children must present a valid, negative molecular biological PCR test result. On arrival, no child under the age of 13 is required to be retested.
6. Passengers with a negative PCR result test taken more than 7 days prior to travel will not be allowed to board.
7. Passengers whose tests were taken more than 72 hours (3 days) prior to flight or less than 7 days prior to travel will need to have a second PCR test done upon arrival.
8. Any passenger who declines testing on arrival if requested by Port Health Officials will be denied entry into Guyana
9. Passengers who are not in possession of a negative PCR test result will not be allowed by the aircraft operator to board the aircraft unless otherwise advised by the Ministry of Health.
10. Arriving passengers will be directed to the Port Health counter in the airport arrival area where they shall present their Proof of Vaccination status, PCR test result and the bio-data page of their passport to Port Health Officials so as to aid in the verification and update of their online passenger locator form information. Passengers are encouraged to provide a factual molecular biological PCR test to the aircraft operator and to Port Health upon arrival.
11. Passengers presenting or submitting a false or 'non-factual' molecular biological PCR test to the aircraft operator and to Port Health shall be liable to pay a fine of not more than G\$250,000 upon summary conviction.
12. Port Health Officials shall visually evaluate each passenger, record the temperature of the passengers, review the PCR test results and review and update the passenger's online locator form.

13. Passengers who record a temperature above 37.5C (99.5F) or who appear ill and/ or display some symptoms of COVID-19 shall be further evaluated by Port Health in an isolated environment, tested, and remain in the quarantine area until the issuance of the laboratory results.
14. A passenger testing positive for COVID-19 shall comply with Ministry of Health's measures for isolation which may be duration of 14 days and will be advised accordingly.
15. Port Health personnel shall contact the aircraft operator to ascertain the in-plane seating arrangement of passenger(s) who may be at additional risk or tested positive for COVID-19 after arrival. Subject passengers who traveled with the positive case and who were seated two rows in front, within the same row, and two rows behind from the positive case will be subjected to further evaluation and monitoring.
16. Passengers travelling with and identified as contacts of the positive case shall comply with Ministry of Health's measures for quarantine which may be duration of 7 to 10 days.
17. The Ministry of Health shall determine if any additional measures (testing) will be instituted based on the evaluation on completion of the quarantine period.

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