# UPDATES ON BORDER MEASURES FOR TRAVELLERS FROM NEW ZEALAND AND JIANGSU PROVINCE, MAINLAND CHINA

#### **28TH AUG 2021**

The Multi-Ministry Taskforce has been closely monitoring the global COVID-19 situation and regularly reviews Singapore's border measures to manage the risk of importation from travellers and onward local transmission. We will tighten our border measures for travellers from New Zealand, given the increase in the number of COVID-19 cases there. As the situation in Jiangsu province, Mainland China has improved, we will allow travellers from Jiangsu province, Mainland China to undergo a COVID-19 Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test upon arrival, and to go about their activities in Singapore if the PCR test result is negative.

#### Travellers from New Zealand to Serve 7-Day SHN at Place of Residence

- 2. Given the increased cases observed in New Zealand, we will be tightening border control measures for travellers with travel history to New Zealand. From **30 August 2021, 2359 hours**:
  - a. Singapore Citizens (SCs), Permanent Residents (PRs) and Long-Term Pass holders entering Singapore with travel history to New Zealand, within the last 21 days before departure for Singapore, will be subject to an on-arrival COVID-19 PCR test<sup>1</sup> a 7-day Stay-Home Notice (SHN) at their place of residence, and a COVID-19 PCR test before the end of the SHN period.
  - b. Short-term travellers holding an Air Travel Pass (ATP) with travel history to New Zealand, within the last 21 days before departure for Singapore, will <u>not</u> be allowed to enter Singapore.

#### Updated Border Measures for Travellers from Jiangsu province, Mainland China

- 3. We had earlier announced that travellers from Jiangsu province, Mainland China will be subjected to an on-arrival COVID-19 PCR test, a 7-day SHN at their place of residence, and a COVID-19 PCR test before the end of the SHN period.
- 4. As the situation in Jiangsu province, Mainland China has improved:

- a. From **30 August 2021, 2359 hours**, all travellers entering Singapore with travel history to Jiangsu Province, Mainland China, within the last 21 days before departure for Singapore, will undergo a COVID-19 PCR test upon arrival, and will be allowed to go about their activities in Singapore if the PCR test result is negative. They will not need to serve a 7-day SHN period.
- b. Short-term visitors with travel history to Jiangsu province, Mainland China, within the last 21 days before departure for Singapore, can apply for an ATP with immediate effect, for entry into Singapore on or after **4 September 2021**. They will undergo a COVID-19 PCR test upon arrival, and will be allowed to go about their activities in Singapore if the PCR test result is negative.
- c. Travellers who are already serving their 7-day SHN at their place of residence as of 30 August 2021, 2359 hours will still be required to complete their 7-day SHN and exit swab.
- 5. All other travellers with travel history to Mainland China (excluding Jiangsu Province) in the last 21 days prior to travel will continue to be subject to a COVID-19 test upon arrival at the airport, in lieu of their SHN.
- 6. In summary, from 30 August 2021, 2359 hours, New Zealand will be classified under Category II and Jiangsu province, Mainland China will be classified under Category I (please refer to **Annex A** (https://www.moh.gov.sg/docs/librariesprovider5/pressroom/press-releases/annex-a-(4).pdf? sfvrsn=34deb738\_0) for full suite of classification).

#### **Regular Review of Border Measures**

7. As the global situation evolves, we will continue to adjust our border measures in tandem with our roadmap to becoming a COVID resilient nation. Any changes to border measures will be updated on the SafeTravel website (https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg/). Travellers are advised to visit the website to check the latest border measures for the associated country or region before entering Singapore; and be prepared to be subjected to the prevailing border measures upon entry.

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