

## **Changes to Align Border Measures with Domestic Protocols and Evolving Pandemic Conditions in Other Countries/ Regions**

### Revising Consecutive Travel History from 21 to 14 Days

1. From **6 October 2021, 2359 hours**, prevailing border measures that apply will be determined based on the travellers' travel history in the last 14 days, including transits en route to Singapore and duration in Singapore prior to their travel, instead of the existing 21 days<sup>1</sup>.

### Reviewing the Length of the Stay-Home Notice Duration from 14 to 10 Days

2. Since late-June 2021, we had required travellers with recent travel history to Category III and IV countries/regions to serve a 14-day SHN. This accounted for the maximum COVID-19 incubation period. As the Delta variant has a shorter incubation period, we will reduce the SHN period for travellers from 14 to 10 days<sup>2</sup>. In summary:

- a. From **6 October 2021, 2359 hours**, all travellers with travel history to Category III and IV countries/regions in the last 14 days immediately prior to arrival in Singapore (including being in Singapore prior to travel), will serve 10 days of SHN at dedicated SHN facilities<sup>3</sup>. They will undergo a COVID-19 PCR test on-arrival<sup>4</sup>, and on Day 10, and self-administered ART tests on Days 3 and 7. They end their SHN as long as they have a negative result for their PCR test on Day 10<sup>5</sup>.
- b. Travellers who stayed in Category III countries/regions in the 14 days immediately prior to arrival in Singapore (including being in Singapore prior to travel) and are fully vaccinated<sup>6</sup> may apply to serve their SHN at their respective places of residence (e.g. residential address) or at other suitable accommodation (e.g. hotels or serviced apartments), if they are occupying these accommodation alone, or only with household members who are also vaccinated persons serving SHN with the same travel history and duration of SHN (see Para 3 below for the conditions). Unvaccinated travellers will still be required to undergo a 10-day SHN at dedicated SHN facilities.
- c. Refund details will be worked out for travellers affected by these changes, and will be shared with them separately.

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<sup>1</sup> This excludes bilaterally negotiated travel lanes (e.g. Reciprocal Green Lane).

<sup>2</sup> The charges for 10-day SHN at dedicated SHN facilities is \$1,450.

<sup>3</sup> Affected travellers who are currently serving SHN will have their SHN reviewed and be informed of check-out arrangements separately.

<sup>4</sup> To expedite the COVID-19 PCR test at the airport, travellers are strongly encouraged to register and pre-pay for their on-arrival COVID-19 PCR test prior to departing for Singapore at <https://safetravel.changiairport.com/>.

<sup>5</sup> Actual check-out time will vary, subject to check-out volume on the ground at each specific dedicated facility. Travellers on SHN will be informed by the SDFs (SHN Dedicated Facility) on the time of check-out.

<sup>6</sup> An individual is considered fully vaccinated if he/she has received the appropriate regimen of WHO EUL vaccines including their respective duration post-vaccination for the vaccine to be fully effective.

### Conditions for Opting Out of Serving SHN in Dedicated SHN Facilities

3. For Singapore Citizens (SCs) and Permanent Residents (PRs), applications must be made three days prior to arrival via the [SafeTravel website](#). Travellers who are not SCs or PRs and who have travel history in Category III countries may apply to opt out as part of the entry application process from **6 October 2021, 2359 hrs** onwards. All travellers must receive their approval to opt out and present the approval documents upon arrival in Singapore, in order to qualify for the arrangements.

4. All travellers who successfully opt out must remain in their declared place of residence/accommodation at all times and must don an electronic monitoring device throughout their SHN period. Action will be taken against those who breach their SHN requirements or make false declarations. Travellers must take private transport<sup>7</sup> to their declared place of residence/accommodation, and are strictly prohibited from taking public transport, e.g. public bus/train or street-hailed taxis.

### Review of Countries/Regions Categories

5. Based on the COVID-19 situation in the **Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Finland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain and Sweden**, they will be placed in Category II from **6 October 2021, 2359 hours**.

6. Based on the COVID-19 situation in **Bahrain, Bhutan, Cyprus, Fiji, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Liechtenstein, Maldives, Slovakia, Turkey, the United Kingdom and the United States of America**, they will be placed in Category III from **6 October 2021, 2359 hours**.

7. For the full set of prevailing border measures for the different Categories and any changes to border measures, these will be updated on the [SafeTravel website](#). Travellers are advised to visit the website to check the latest border measures for their associated country or region; and be prepared to be subjected to the prevailing border measures upon entry.

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<sup>7</sup> Travellers can use their own private transport or book taxi/private-hire vehicles, indicating "SHN" when booking. For more information, refer to <https://safetravel.ica.gov.sg/health/faq#transport>

Summary of Country/Region Classification for Recent 14-day travel history* (for arrival from 6 October 2021, 2359 hours)				
	Category I	Category II	Category III	Category IV
<b>Countries / Regions</b>	Hong Kong, Macao, Mainland China and Taiwan	Australia, Brunei, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Finland, Germany, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Spain and Sweden	Austria, Bahrain, Bhutan, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Egypt, Fiji, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Maldives, Norway, Slovakia, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom and the United States of America	All other Countries/Regions*
<b>Border Measure<sup>^</sup></b>	On-Arrival Test	1. Pre-Departure PCR Test within 48 hours		
		2. On-Arrival PCR Test		
		3. 7-day Stay-Home Notice (SHN) at declared place of accommodation (if criteria fulfilled; if not, then at dedicated SHN facility <sup>@</sup> )	3. 10-day SHN at dedicated SHN facility <sup>@@</sup> or declared place of accommodation (if criteria fulfilled)	3. 10-day SHN at dedicated SHN facility <sup>@@</sup>
		4. Day 7 SHN exit Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test	4. Day 3 and 7 Antigen-Rapid Test (ART) self-swab test <sup>#</sup> 5. Day 10 SHN exit PCR test	

<sup>^</sup>Countries/Regions may have vaccination-differentiated border measures. Please check the [SafeTravel website](#) for details.

<sup>@</sup> The charges for 7-day SHN at dedicated SHN facility is \$1,000.

<sup>@@</sup> The charges for 10-day SHN at dedicated SHN facility is \$1,450.

\* 14-day travel history includes countries/regions whereby the traveller transits en route to Singapore, and also the time spent in Singapore by the traveller before embarking on the overseas travel (if any).

\*\* All long-term pass holders and short-term visitors with travel or transit history to Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka are still not allowed to enter Singapore, as per MOH's press releases on 22 and 30 Apr 2021.

<sup>#</sup>Every traveller aged 3 and above (in the calendar year) who is serving SHN will have to pay \$20 (inclusive of GST) for 2 ART kits. ART swabbing is required for travellers serving SHN at dedicated SHN facilities.

LTPHs with passes issued by the Ministry of Manpower (MOM) may have to comply with additional requirements and measures.

Travellers who are not Singapore Citizens, Permanent Residents or Long-Term Pass Holders, may enter Singapore for short-term visits only if they are arriving from Category I countries/regions (with travel histories in the past 14-days in these countries/regions and/or Singapore), unless if arrangements have been separately announced (e.g. Vaccinated Travel Lanes or Reciprocal Green Lanes).