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Reminder: Know the Entry Requirements Before Travel

In response to the significant risks and uncertainties presented by the spread of the Omicron variant globally, governments across the globe have imposed various travel restrictions. Travel restrictions continue to change around the world at any time.

As of December 18, 2021, the Government of Canada has decided to lift the extraordinary measures for travellers returning from the specific countries initially listed. As of December 21, 2021, all Canadians returning from short trips must take a molecular pre-entry test. The test must be taken outside of Canada.

In addition, the Hong Kong government announced all passengers who board a flight for Hong Kong (including passengers transferring or transiting in Hong Kong) on or after 0.00am on December 24, 2021 (Hong Kong time) should present at boarding a negative result proof of a PCR-based nucleic acid test for COVID-19 with specimen collected within 48 hours (originally 72 hours) before the scheduled time of departure (including documentary proofs that the lab is ISO15189 accredited or Government recognized).

Please note: It is passengers' responsibility to ensure themselves are aware of all necessary requirements for entry, exit from or transit through, each country/region on their itinerary regardless of if the flight is operated by Air Canada or another carrier.

Each country/province also has unique requirements which may include forms that must be completed and submitted online, and/or printed and presented at the airport prior to boarding a flight. Failure to meet these requirements may result in long delays at the airport or upon arrival at the destination. Travellers may also be refused travel or be subject to government enforcement action for non-compliance.

Further Information:

Covid Vaccinated Travellers Entering Canada:

<https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/covid-vaccinated-travellers-entering-canada#randomized>

ArriveCAN App:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19/arrivecan.html>

Boarding and quarantine requirements for entry Hong Kong or Transit Hong Kong:

<https://www.coronavirus.gov.hk/eng/inbound-travel.html>

IATA Travel Centre:

<https://www.iatatravelcentre.com/world.php>