

Cyprus



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Also, a dedicated email address has been set up for this purpose at travel2021@visitcyprus.com.

Entering this country with the EU Digital COVID certificate

Provisional information subject to further revision and confirmation from National Authorities

Cyprus is accepting "EU Digital COVID certificates" (EUDCC) since **1 July 2021**.

The following certificates are accepted:

- **Vaccination certificate**, which is valid from the day of the **second dose** of the vaccine (or 14 days after the single dose of the Janssen/Johnson&Johnson vaccine).

The following vaccines are accepted: *Pfizer /BioNTech, Moderna, AstraZeneca, Johnson & Johnson (Janssen), Sputnik V, Sinopharm (BBIBP COVID-19) and Sinovac.*

Remarks from the International Road Transport Union

08.06.2020

On 8 June, the Official Journal of the EU published a list of Member States that decided not to apply certain provisions of [Regulation \(EU\) 2020/698](#), which lays down specific and temporary measures in view of the COVID19 outbreak concerning the renewal or extension of certain certificates, licences and authorisations, and the postponement of certain periodic checks and periodic training in certain areas of transport legislation. Member States involved are as following:

- Sweden
- **Cyprus**
- Greece
- Romania
- Luxembourg
- Austria
- Bulgaria
- Malta

These Member States are added to those whose notification was published on 2 and 3 June: Poland, Latvia, Hungary, Estonia, Spain, United Kingdom, Ireland, France, the Netherlands, Finland, Croatia, Lithuania.

Source: European Commission

- **Proof of recovery from COVID-19**, which is valid **between 14 and 180 days** from a positive result to a PCR test.
- Proof of recovery from Covid-19 plus a single dose of an authorized vaccine (*Pfizer/BioNTech, Moderna, AstraZeneca, Johnson & Johnson (Janssen), Sputnik V, Sinopharm (BBIBP COVID-19 and Sinovac)*).
- A negative result to a **PCR Covid test, with the sampling being carried out within 72 hours prior to departure.**

It should be noted that, vaccination certificates issued by the competent authorities of the Member States of the European Union, the Member States of the European Economic Area (including Norway, Iceland and Lichtenstein) and Switzerland, are only being accepted in digital form through the EU Digital Covid Certificate

Holders of a vaccination-based or recovery-based EUDCC will be exempt from any additional testing upon entering Cyprus, irrespective of the colour categorisation of their country of departure.

Holders of a test-based EUDCC will need to follow the measures based on the colour categorisation of their country of departure or of the country they have visited within the last 14 days before their travel (if it is categorised as a higher risk country).

Between 1 July and 15 August 2021, the use of EUDCC is not compulsory for travel from EU or Schengen Associated countries. Prior to travel, holders of a EUDCC need to fill out all required information on the Cyprus Flight Pass Platform.

Travellers may still be subject to random testing upon arrival and are still obliged to follow all destination protocols.

Entering this country without the EU Digital COVID certificate or with a certificate not compliant with national requirements

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The following entry requirements apply:

Travel from countries classified as "GREEN"

Persons traveling from "GREEN" countries will not need to demonstrate a negative PCR test for COVID-19 when traveling to Cyprus; they only need to fill out the Cyprus Flight Pass and provide certain information and solemn declarations.

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Cypriot citizens and members of their families (foreign spouses and children) or Legal residents of the Republic, who meet at least one of the following conditions:

1. a) have received at least one dose of a Covid-19 vaccine approved by the Republic of Cyprus.
2. b) cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons, and are holders of a relevant medical certificate issued by the Cyprus Ministry of Health.
3. c) are minors between the ages of 12 and 15.

Persons traveling from "**RED**" countries are required to undergo a molecular test (PCR test) at a certified lab, with the sample taken during the last 72 hours prior to flight departure, and upload a certificate that demonstrates a negative PCR for COVID-19, on the Cyprus Flight Pass Platform. They will also need to pay for and undergo a molecular PCR test upon arrival to Cyprus, the cost of which is 15 Euros at Larnaca airport and 19 Euros at Paphos airport; results of the test will be available within 3 hours on the digital platform www.covid-testcyprus.com. Children, who arrive in Cyprus before their 12th birthday, are exempted from testing. All travelers need to fill out the Cyprus Flight Pass where they will be asked to provide certain information and solemn declarations.

The following categories from "RED" countries may opt to be tested only upon arrival in Cyprus (at their own expense), without the necessity to provide a pre-departure test:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents) who have received at least one dose of a Covid-19 vaccine approved by the Republic of Cyprus or cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons, and are holders of a relevant medical certificate issued by the Cyprus Ministry of Health or they are minors between the ages of 12 and 15;
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention;

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Travel from countries classified as "GREY"

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1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses and children);
2. Persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus
3. EU citizens, citizens of the European Economic Area (including Iceland, Lichtenstein, Norway) and Switzerland;
4. Persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus in accordance with the Vienna Convention.
5. Citizens of third countries, provided they obtain prior special permission from the Republic of Cyprus, as defined under the Infectious Diseases Decree (N.2 /2021 8.1.21), as amended. The application for a Special Permission must be submitted on the Cyprus Flight Pass Platform (<https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/specialpermission>).

Note: European Union citizens, citizens of European Economic Area (including Iceland, Lichtenstein, Norway), citizens of Switzerland and citizens of third countries, must undergo a molecular test prior to departure, as stipulated above.

The other categories of passengers have the choice of either taking the test prior to their departure or taking it upon entry to the Republic of Cyprus, at their own expense.

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Find out more:

[Epidemiological risk assessment of countries concerning COVID-19 \(02/08/2021\)](#)

[COVID-19 Destination Protocol Cyprus](#)

[Documents you need to travel in Europe](#)
[Health cover for temporary stays](#)

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Cypriot citizens and members of their families (foreign spouses and children) or Legal residents of the Republic, who meet at least one of the following conditions:

- have received at least one dose of a Covid-19 vaccine approved by the Republic of Cyprus.
- cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons, and are holders of a relevant medical certificate issued by the Cyprus Ministry of Health.
- are minors between the ages of 12 and 15.

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The following categories from "RED" countries may opt to be tested only upon arrival in Cyprus (at their own expense), without the necessity to provide a pre-departure test:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents) who have received at least one dose of a Covid-19 vaccine approved by the Republic of Cyprus or cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons, and are holders of a relevant medical certificate issued by the Cyprus Ministry of Health or they are minors between the ages of 12 and 15;
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
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Mandatory Travel Documentation

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May I transit this country?

Partially

As a general rule, passengers in transit in the EU+ area are exempted from temporary travel restriction.

EU citizens entering the EU from a third country, as well as their family members, irrespective of their nationality, are exempted from the travel restrictions regardless of whether or not they are returning to their country of nationality or residence.

Passengers travelling from a non-EU country to another non-EU country may transit through the international transit area of airports located in the Schengen area. Rules regarding airport transit visa requirements continue to apply.

General measures

SafePass

In all indoor and outdoor areas and premises where, subject to the distancing measures, more than 20 people may gather at any time, it is required that people aged 12 and above shall hold a "SafePass".

The pass consists of a document stating that the bearer has either:

- been vaccinated against Covid-19;
- recovered from COVID-19 in the last 6 months;
- tested negative for COVID-19 within the last 72 hours.

The document has to be displayed by all residents and visitors at hotels, restaurants, cafes or bars, places of worship, theatres and cinemas, shopping malls, gyms, retirement homes, beauty salons, beaches, food stores, archaeological sites and other public venues.

To obtain a SafePass, citizens must present one of the following forms of evidence:

1. Vaccination certificate with at least one dose and after a period of 3 weeks has passed (citizens can present the Vaccination Card given to them at the vaccination centres);
2. Proof that a person has contracted COVID-19 in the last 6 months (citizens may present the release text message or the recovery text message sent to their mobile phone by the Ministry of Health);
3. Citizens aged 12 and over are given the option to present a negative test certificate, from a PCR or a rapid test, valid for 72 hours. Citizens may present either the form provided by the different test units, or the text message sent to their mobile phone with the result of the test.

EU Digital Covid Certificate of vaccination against Covid-19 or recovery from Covid-19 is also accepted.

NON-RESIDENTS entering legally the Republic of Cyprus:

(a) using Larnaca and Pafos Airports may present the **Cyprus Flight Pass** obtained on the www.cyprusflightpass.gov.cy platform; and

(b) using legal sea points of entry if they are cruise passengers, they should use their disembarkment card and if they are passengers of recreational craft, they should have the proof they obtain from their Marina Operator subject to the guidelines of the Ministry of Transport, Communications and Works and the Deputy Ministry of Shipping.

Find out more:

[Implementation of the SafePass Decision as of 10 May](#)
[FAQs on measures to contain the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

Use of facemasks

The use of protective facemasks is mandatory for all people over 12 indoors (i.e. taxis, buses, diving/safari jeeps, lifts, theatres, malls, etc.) and in outdoor public places.

Areas such as restaurants, coffee shops, bars, snack bars, lobby bars, etc., where people are seated whilst consuming food and beverage are excluded from this provision. The same applies while on the beach, swimming pools and instances where people are exercising. Travellers should always consult the [guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health \(in Greek\)](#)

Physical Distancing

Physical distancing measures apply so that people who do not belong to the same travel group maintain a reasonable distance from each other (the minimum area occupied per person should be 2 square metres outdoors, and 3 square metres indoors).

Indoor and outdoor meetings, public or private gatherings and events

The holding of events, including weddings and christenings is permitted in catering establishments, event and reception venues, hotels or/and tourist accommodation units, night clubs, clubs and music and dancing venues, as well as in residences, subject to the guidelines of the Ministry of Health.

In particular,

- The maximum number of persons allowed indoors is 250 subject to the distancing measures set out by the health protocols.
- The maximum number of persons allowed outdoors is 350 subject to the distancing measures. This number can be also increased to 500 people if some specific conditions are met.

Moreover, in all indoor and outdoor areas and premises where subject to the distancing measures, more than 20 people may gather at any time, including the employees, it is required that people aged 12 and above shall hold:

- a negative Covid-19 PCR or antigen rapid test performed within 72 hours; or
- a certificate of vaccination against Covid-19 for at least one dose and provided that three weeks have elapsed; or
- proof of recovery from Covid-19 and provided that a period of six months has not elapsed since the date of the initial positive diagnosis.

Additional details are available on the [Decree of n. 31 of 19 July 2021](#).

Safety measures for public transportation

Employees and passengers aged 12 and above must hold a SafePass.

The use of protective facemasks is mandatory both for employees and passengers in all transport means. Capacity is allowed at 100%.

Find out more:

www.pio.gov.cy (in Greek)

Places of worship

Open with limitations

The presence of congregants during church services and/or other forms of religious worship is permitted following specific requirements specified on the [Decree of n. 31 of 19 July 2021](#).

Quarantine

As of 28 December 2020, the SARS-CoV-2 antigen detection tests carried out by the mobile units of the Ministry of Health do not need confirmation by the molecular method (RT-PCR). Citizens with a positive test result will receive the self-isolation instructions via a text message. At the same time, the virus-positive person should inform his/her close contacts to self-isolate until the Epidemiological Monitoring Unit contacts them, and send a list with the details of his/her close contacts to contacttracing@moh.gov.cy.

Close contacts of a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case (e.g. family members, friends, colleagues) should self-isolate themselves in a well-ventilated room, while the other family members should stay in a separate room, if possible. Isolated people will receive instructions through a text message by the Epidemiological Monitoring Unit and they should self-monitor their health and check their temperature twice a day for the following 14 days from the last contact. They should also maintain regular communication with their personal doctor for the entire duration of the period.

In the case of a positive test result, the text message is considered official and these citizens have an obligation to immediately self-isolate, adhering to the relevant instructions provided by the Tracing Team.

Find out more:

[Guidance for isolation](#)

[Guidance for isolation of close contacts](#)

[Guidance for discharge and ending of isolation](#)

[Rapid tests](#)

[FAQs](#)

Non-essential (other than medicine and food) shops

Open with limitations

Retail trade enterprises including shopping centres, malls and large stores, are open.

Specific measures can be found on the [Decree of n. 31 of 19 July 2021](#).

Tourist accommodations

Open with limitations

The operation of hotels or/and tourist accommodation units is permitted subject to the guidelines of the Ministry of Health and the Deputy Ministry of Tourism.

Moreover, in all indoor and outdoor areas and premises where subject to the distancing measures, more than 20 people may gather at any time, including the employees, it is required that people aged 12 and above shall hold:

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Catering establishments

Open with limitations

The operation of catering establishments is permitted subject to the guidelines of the Ministry of Health.

Details are available on the [Decree of n. 31 of 19 July 2021](#).

Cinemas, museums and indoor attractions

Open with limitations

The operation of archaeological sites, museums and historic sites, visual art places and galleries is permitted subject to the guidelines of the Ministry of Health.

The operation of theatres, amphitheatres, cinemas and performance halls is permitted as of 21 July 2021.

Details are available on the [Decree of n. 31 of 19 July 2021](#).

Personal care services

Open with limitations

The operation of hairdressing salons, barbershops, beauty centres and tattooing shops is permitted subject to the guidelines of the Ministry of Health.

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Outdoors areas and beaches

Open with limitations

Hygiene measures are in place and it is required a distance of 4 metres between umbrellas and 2 metres between sunbeds occupied by different groups.

The operation of playgrounds, luna parks and thematic parks is allowed, on the basis of a Health Protocol.

It is not required to present the Cyprus Flight Pass or Safe Pass.

Health protocols for tourism services and tourists

Protocols available on www.pio.gov.cy (in Greek) and on www.pio.gov.cy/eng (in English)

Also the [Destination Protocol](#) is available on various languages.

Information on Tourism at National level

National website with coronavirus-related information for TOURISM

[Visit Cyprus](#)

Useful Info for tourists

Cyprus is allowing entry from four sets of countries of origin, according to epidemiological criteria. To check whether you can enter Cyprus, please use the [quick-check tool on the official website of the Deputy Ministry of Tourism](#)

Before starting your journey, please check visa requirements for your destination at: [The Schengen visa](#)

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Any country not defined below is treated as GREY (Special Permission) category.

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- **Proof of recovery from COVID-19**, which is valid **between 14 and 180 days** from a positive result to a PCR test.
- Proof of recovery from Covid-19 plus a single dose of an authorized vaccine (*Pfizer /BioNTech, Moderna, AstraZeneca, Johnson & Johnson (Janssen), Sputnik V, Sinopharm (BBIBP COVID-19) and Sinovac.*)
- A negative result to a **PCR Covid test, with the sampling being carried out within 72 hours prior to departure.**

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All other travellers arriving from countries classified as "ORANGE" or "RED" are subject to the requirement for a **pre-departure negative PCR test**. The test must be taken within **72 hours prior to the flight departure**.

Additionally, travellers from countries classified as "RED" are subject to a **second test upon their arrival**, at their own expense.

Children under the age of 12 are exempted from the testing requirement.

The following categories may opt to be tested upon arrival in Cyprus only (at their own expenses):

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention;
4. Persons from countries classified as "orange", irrespective of their nationality, whose country of residence does not provide a laboratory testing service.

Travellers from countries classified as "ORANGE" or "RED" shall remain in mandatory self-isolation until they receive the test result. People arriving from "RED" countries falling under categories 1-3 above must remain in self-isolation for 72 hours and, after that, they must undergo a second PCR test at their own expense. If the last test is negative, isolation is ended.

Travel from countries classified as "GREY"

Travel from "GREY" countries, is allowed only for:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses and children)
2. Persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus
3. EU citizens, citizens of the European Economic Area (including Iceland, Lichtenstein, Norway) and Switzerland
4. Persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus in accordance with the Vienna Convention

All other travellers arriving from countries classified as "GREY" are subject to the requirement for a **pre-departure negative PCR test**. The test must be taken within **72 hours prior to the flight departure**.

In addition, they must complete a compulsory self-isolation of 14 days. Self-isolation may be shortened by taking a PCR test on day 7 of the isolation period.

The test result must be sent to the following email address: monada@mphs.moh.gov.cy

All travellers who test positive will be placed in compulsory confinement for **14 days**.

Children under the age of 12 are exempted from the testing requirement.

Find out more:

[Epidemiological risk assessment of countries concerning COVID-19 \(19/07/2021\)](#)

[COVID-19 Destination Protocol_Cyprus](#)

What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

Cyprus implements travel restrictions according to a classification of high, medium and low-risk countries based on data and criteria communicated every Thursday by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC). The measures applicable to travel to Cyprus depend on the [colour code assigned to each country](#).

Travel from countries classified as "GREEN"

Travellers arriving from countries classified as "GREEN" can enter Cyprus without being subject to any isolation or test requirement.

For these travellers, testing and quarantine are not required also in case of transit through high-risk countries, provided that no overnight stay has taken place (as well as no stay has taken place in such countries in the last 14 days).

Travel from countries NOT classified as "GREEN"



Travellers arriving from countries NOT classified as "GREEN" can enter Cyprus without being subject to any isolation or test requirement in case they have been **fully vaccinated**. These passengers, regardless of their nationality, holding a [valid vaccination certificate](#), will be able to travel from any country to the Republic of Cyprus without being subject to isolation or test requirement. A [dedicated form](#) must be filled in within 24 hours before the last departure flight to the Republic of Cyprus. Full information for vaccinated travellers is available at [Cyprus Flight Pass](#).

All other travellers arriving from countries classified as "ORANGE" or "RED" are subject to the requirement for a **pre-departure negative PCR test**. The test must be taken within **72 hours prior to the flight departure**.

Additionally, travellers from countries classified as "RED" are subject to a **second test upon their arrival**, at their own expense.

The following categories may opt to be tested upon arrival in Cyprus only (at their own expenses):

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention;
4. Persons from countries classified as "orange", irrespective of their nationality, whose country of residence does not provide a laboratory testing service.

Travellers from countries classified as "ORANGE" or "RED" shall remain in mandatory self-isolation until they receive the test result. People arriving from "red" countries falling under categories 1-3 above must remain in self-isolation for 72 hours and, after that, they must undergo a second PCR test at their own expense. If the last test is negative, isolation is ended.

Travel from "GREY" countries, is allowed only for:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses and children)
2. Persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus
3. EU citizens, citizens of the European Economic Area (including Iceland, Lichtenstein, Norway) and Switzerland
4. Persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus in accordance with the Vienna Convention;
5. Citizens of third countries, provided they obtain prior special permission from the Republic of Cyprus, as defined under the Infectious Diseases Decree (N.2 /2021 8.1.21), as amended. The application for a Special Permission must be submitted on the Cyprus Flight Pass Platform (<https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/specialpermission>)

All other travellers arriving from countries classified as "GREY" are subject to the requirement for a **pre-departure negative PCR test**. The test must be taken within **72 hours prior to arrival**.

In addition, they must complete a compulsory self-isolation of 14 days. Self-isolation may be shortened by taking a PCR test on day 7 of the isolation period.

The test result must be sent to the following email address: monada@mphs.moh.gov.cy

All travellers who test positive will be placed in compulsory confinement for **14 days**.

Children under the age of 12 are exempted from the testing requirement.

Mandatory Travel Documentation

All passengers have to submit, within 48 hours before starting their journey, all the information and documents required to obtain the [CyprusFlightPass](#).

The download forms for passengers travelling to Cyprus can be found at <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/home> and <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/download-forms>

Find out more:

[Epidemiological risk assessment of countries concerning COVID-19 \(19/07/2021\)](#)

[COVID-19 Destination Protocol_Cyprus](#)

[Issuance of the EU Digital COVID Certificate for individuals who have been vaccinated or have tested positive for the virus in countries outside the EU, EEA or Switzerland](#)

Contact point for Cyprus:

A Covid-19 call centre is available from Monday to Sunday (8:00 - 20:00 Cyprus Time) at 1474 (calls within Cyprus) and at +357 22 285757 (calls from abroad). This service provides direct, timely and comprehensive information regarding all governmental initiatives related to COVID-19.

Also, a dedicated email address has been set up for this purpose at travel2021@visitcyprus.com.

May I transit this country?

Partially

As a general rule, passengers in transit in the EU+ area are exempted from temporary travel restriction.

EU citizens entering the EU from a third country, as well as their family members, irrespective of their nationality, are exempted from the travel restrictions regardless of whether or not they are returning to their country of nationality or residence.

Passengers travelling from a non-EU country to another non-EU country may transit through the international transit area of airports located in the Schengen area. Rules regarding airport transit visa requirements continue to apply.

General measures

SafePass

In all indoor and outdoor areas and premises where, subject to the distancing measures, more than 20 people may gather at any time, it is required that people aged 12 and above shall hold a "SafePass".

The pass consists of a document stating that the bearer has either:

- been vaccinated against Covid-19;
- recovered from COVID-19 in the last 6 months;
- tested negative for COVID-19 within the last 72 hours.

The document has to be displayed by all residents and visitors at hotels, restaurants, cafes or bars, places of worship, theatres and cinemas, shopping malls, gyms, retirement homes, beauty salons, beaches, food stores, archaeological sites and other public venues.

To obtain a SafePass, citizens must present one of the following forms of evidence:

1. Vaccination certificate with at least one dose and after a period of 3 weeks has passed (citizens can present the Vaccination Card given to them at the vaccination centres);
2. Proof that a person has contracted COVID-19 in the last 6 months (citizens may present the release text message or the recovery text message sent to their mobile phone by the Ministry of Health);
3. Citizens aged 12 and over are given the option to present a negative test certificate, from a PCR or a rapid test, valid for 72 hours. Citizens may present either the form provided by the different test units, or the text message sent to their mobile phone with the result of the test.

EU Digital Covid Certificate of vaccination against Covid-19 or recovery from Covid-19 is also accepted.

NON-RESIDENTS entering legally the Republic of Cyprus:

(a) using Larnaca and Pafos Airports may present the **Cyprus Flight Pass** obtained on the www.cyprusflightpass.gov.cy platform; and

(b) using legal sea points of entry if they are cruise passengers, they should use their disembarkment card and if they are passengers of recreational craft, they should have the proof they obtain from their Marina Operator subject to the guidelines of the Ministry of Transport, Communications and Works and the Deputy Ministry of Shipping.

Find out more:

[Implementation of the SafePass Decision as of 10 May](#)
[FAQs on measures to contain the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

Use of facemasks

Facemasks are compulsory in all indoor areas (taxis, buses, diving/safari jeeps, lifts, theatres, malls, etc.) and outdoor public places. Areas where people are seated whilst consuming food and beverage (e.g. restaurants, coffee shops, bars, snack bars, lobby bars, etc.), are excluded from this provision.

An exemption on mask-wearing is also in place on the beach and during physical exercise.

Physical Distancing

Physical distancing measures apply so that people who do not belong to the same travel group maintain a reasonable distance from each other (the minimum area occupied per person should be 2 square metres outdoors, and 3 square metres indoors).

Indoor and outdoor meetings, public or private gatherings and events

From 9 to 31 July:

- The maximum number of individuals in indoor spaces is set at 450, provided that they are all fully vaccinated or have recovered from COVID-19 in the last six months. The health protocol applies to each establishment/sector.
- The maximum number of individuals in outdoor spaces shall be set at 350 individuals with necessary SafePass presentation or 500 individuals provided that all individuals are vaccinated at least with the first dose and a period of three weeks has elapsed, or have been infected with COVID-19 during the last six months. The health protocol applies to each establishment/sector.

[Corresponding press release](#)

Information on Tourism at National level

National website with coronavirus-related information for TOURISM

[Visit Cyprus](#)

Useful Info for tourists

Cyprus is allowing entry from four sets of countries of origin, according to epidemiological criteria. To check whether you can enter Cyprus, please use the [quick-check tool on the official website of the Deputy Ministry of Tourism](#)

Before starting your journey, please check visa requirements for your destination at: [The Schengen visa](#)

EU Digital COVID Certificates

This country is already connected to the Gateway and is issuing and/or verifying at least one EU Digital COVID Certificate (Vaccination, Recovery, Test)

[Information on "EU Digital COVID Certificates" issued in Cyprus](#)

The [EU Digital COVID Certificate Regulation](#) entered into force on 01 July 2021. EU citizens and residents will now be able to have their Digital COVID Certificates issued and verified across the EU. National authorities are in charge of issuing the certificate.

The certificate provides a standardised recognition of the holder's status related to vaccination, recovery from Covid-19, or test result. **Despite the European Digital COVID Certificate, each country continues to be responsible for the definition of its own entry requirements and rules, which are not standardised at the EU level.** This means that what is required to enter upon presentation of this certificate, depends on the measures and entry rules in place at your destination.

Find out more:

[Information on the "EU Digital COVID Certificate"](#)

[Press Release](#)

[Questions & Answers](#)

[Factsheet](#)

Further information: <https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/CYP/7011>

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What are the rules to enter this country from an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

Entering this country with the EU Digital COVID certificate

Information not yet available.

Entering this country without the EU Digital COVID certificate or with a certificate not compliant with national requirements

Cyprus implements travel restrictions according to a classification of high, medium and low-risk countries based on data and criteria communicated every Thursday by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC). The measures applicable to travel to Cyprus depend on the [colour code assigned to each country](#).

Travel from countries classified as "green"

Travellers arriving from countries classified as "green" can enter Cyprus without being subject to any isolation or test requirement.

For these travellers, testing and quarantine are not required also in case of transit through high-risk countries, provided that no overnight stay has taken place (as well as no stay has taken place in such countries in the last 14 days).

Travel from countries NOT classified as "green"



Travellers arriving from countries NOT classified as "green" can enter Cyprus without being subject to any isolation or test requirement in case they have been **fully vaccinated**. These passengers, regardless of their nationality, holding a [valid vaccination certificate](#), will be able to travel from any country to the Republic of Cyprus without being subject to isolation or test requirement. A [dedicated form](#) must be filled in within 24 hours before the last departure flight to the Republic of Cyprus. Full information for vaccinated travellers is available at [Cyprus Flight Pass](#).

All other travellers arriving from countries classified as "orange" or "red" are subject to the requirement for a **pre-departure negative PCR test**. The test must be taken within **72 hours prior to arrival**.

Additionally, travellers from countries classified as "red" are subject to a **second test upon their arrival**, at their own expenses.

The following categories may opt to be tested upon arrival in Cyprus only (at their own expenses):

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention;
4. Persons from countries classified as "orange", irrespective of their nationality, whose country of residence does not provide a laboratory testing service.

Travellers from countries classified as "orange" or "red" shall remain in mandatory self-isolation until they receive the test result. People arriving from "red" countries falling under categories 1-3 above must remain in self-isolation for 72 hours and, after that, they must undergo a second PCR test at their own expenses. If the last test is negative, isolation is ended.

Travellers from countries classified as "gray" must complete a compulsory self-isolation of 14 days. Self-isolation may be shortened by taking a PCR test on day 7 of the isolation period.

The test result must be sent to the following email address: monada@mphs.moh.gov.cy

All travellers who test positive will be placed in compulsory confinement for **14 days**.

Mandatory Travel Documentation

All passengers have to submit, within 24 hours before starting their journey, all the information and documents required to obtain the [CyprusFlightPass](#).

The download forms for passengers travelling to Cyprus can be found at <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/download-forms>

Find out more:

[Updated information on Country Categories Epidemiological risk assessment \(03/05/2021\)](#)

Contact point for Cyprus:

A Covid-19 call centre is available from Monday to Sunday (8:00 - 20:00) at 1474. This service provides direct, timely and comprehensive information regarding all governmental initiatives related to COVID-19.

What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

Cyprus implements travel restrictions according to a classification of high, medium and low-risk countries based on data and criteria communicated every Thursday by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC). The measures applicable to travel to Cyprus depend on the [colour code assigned to each country](#).

Travel from countries classified as "green"

Travellers arriving from countries classified as "green" can enter Cyprus without being subject to any isolation or test requirement.

For these travellers, testing and quarantine are not required also in case of transit through high-risk countries, provided that no overnight stay has taken place (as well as no stay has taken place in such countries in the last 14 days).

Travel from countries NOT classified as "green"



Travellers arriving from countries NOT classified as "green" can enter Cyprus without being subject to any isolation or test requirement in case they have been **fully vaccinated**. These passengers, regardless of their nationality, holding a [valid vaccination certificate](#), will be able to travel from any country to the Republic of Cyprus without being subject to isolation or test requirement. A [dedicated form](#) must be filled in within 24 hours before the last departure flight to the Republic of Cyprus. Full information for vaccinated travellers is available at [Cyprus Flight Pass](#).

All other travellers arriving from countries classified as "orange" or "red" are subject to the requirement for a **pre-departure negative PCR test**. The test must be taken within **72 hours prior to arrival**.

Additionally, travellers from countries classified as "red" are subject to a **second test upon their arrival**, at their own expenses.

The following categories may opt to be tested upon arrival in Cyprus only (at their own expenses):

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention;
4. Persons from countries classified as "orange", irrespective of their nationality, whose country of residence does not provide a laboratory testing service.

Travellers from countries classified as "orange" or "red" shall remain in mandatory self-isolation until they receive the test result. People arriving from "red" countries falling under categories 1-3 above must remain in self-isolation for 72 hours and, after that, they must undergo a second PCR test at their own expenses. If the last test is negative, isolation is ended.

Travellers from countries classified as "gray" must complete a compulsory self-isolation of 14 days. Self-isolation may be shortened by taking a PCR test on day 7 of the isolation period.

The test result must be sent to the following email address: monada@mphs.moh.gov.cy

All travellers who test positive will be placed in compulsory confinement for **14 days**.

Mandatory Travel Documentation

All passengers have to submit, within 24 hours before starting their journey, all the information and documents required to obtain the [CyprusFlightPass](#).

The download forms for passengers travelling to Cyprus can be found at <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/download-forms>

Find out more:

[Updated information on Country Categories Epidemiological risk assessment \(03/05/2021\)](#)

May I transit this country?

PARTIALLY

As a general rule, passengers in transit in the EU+ area are exempted from temporary travel restriction.

EU citizens entering the EU from a third country, as well as their family members, irrespective of their nationality, are exempted from the travel restrictions regardless of whether or not they are returning to their country of nationality or residence.

Passengers travelling from a non-EU country to another non-EU country may transit through the international transit area of airports located in the Schengen area. Rules regarding airport transit visa requirements continue to apply.

General measures

A curfew is in place and the movement of citizens is banned **from midnight to 05:00** (with some exceptions).

SafePass

From 10 May, a "SafePass" aimed at safely reopening social and economic activities has been introduced.

The pass consists of a document stating that the bearer has either:

- been vaccinated against Covid-19;
- recovered from COVID-19 in the last 6 months;
- tested negative for COVID-19 within the last 72 hours.

The document has to be displayed by all residents and visitors at hotels, restaurants, cafes or bars, places of worship, theatres and cinemas, shopping malls, gyms, retirement homes, beauty salons, beaches, food stores and other public venues.

To obtain a SafePass, citizens must present one of the following forms of evidence:

1. Vaccination certificate with at least one dose and after a period of 3 weeks has passed (citizens can present the Vaccination Card given to them at the vaccination centres);
2. Proof that a person has contracted COVID-19 in the last 6 months (citizens may present the release text message or the recovery text message sent to their mobile phone by the Ministry of Health);
3. Citizens aged 12 and over are given the option to present a negative test certificate, from a PCR or a rapid test, valid for 72 hours. Citizens may present either the form provided by the different test units, or the text message sent to their mobile phone with the result of the test.

Find out more:

[Implementation of the SafePass Decision as of 10 May](#)
[FAQs on measures to contain the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

Use of facemasks

The use of a facemask is mandatory for people from the age of 12:

- in closed public spaces with more than 1 person;
- in outdoor public places with more than 2 people;
- in any workplace that involves physical proximity with the public, in retail stores and for people delivering goods.

Physical Distancing

Physical distancing measures of **2 metres outdoors** and **3 metres indoors** are in place.

Information on Tourism at National level

National website with coronavirus-related information for TOURISM

[Visit Cyprus](#)

Useful Info for tourists

Cyprus is allowing entry from two sets of countries of origin, according to epidemiological criteria. To check whether you can enter Cyprus, please use the [quick-check tool on the official website of the Deputy Ministry of Tourism](#)

EU Digital COVID Certificates

[Information on "EU Digital COVID Certificates" issued in Cyprus](#)

The EU Digital COVID Certificate (available from **1 July 2021**) provides proof that a person has either:

- **been vaccinated against COVID-19** (vaccine type and manufacturer, number of doses, date of vaccination);
- **received a negative test result**, PCR or rapid antigen, with the name of the test, date and time of test, test centre and result (self-tests are not valid);
- **recovered from COVID-19**.

When travelling, holders of the EU Digital COVID Certificate will have the same rights as citizens of the visited Member State who have been vaccinated, tested or recovered.

The certificate provides a standardised recognition of the holder's status related to vaccination, recovery from COVID or test result. Each country continues to be responsible for the definition of its own entry requirements and rules, which are not standardised at the EU level. This means that **what you will be eligible for, upon presentation of this certificate, depends on the measures and entry rules in place at your country of destination**.

How does it work:

1. **Member States** issue a certificate automatically or upon request, which is issued either digitally or on paper, and has a QR code with an electronic signature;
2. **Citizens** store the certificate in their digital app or wallet and can use it when they travel;
3. When the **verifier** asks the citizen for the certificate, the QR code is shown and the digital signature is verified.

Find out more:

[Information on the EU Digital COVID Certificate](#)

[Press Release](#)

[Questions & Answers](#)

[Factsheet](#)

04.05.2021

From an EU Member State or Schengen Associated Country, may I enter this country without being subject to extraordinary restrictions?

PARTIALLY

Cyprus has introduced a traffic light system of high, medium and low-risk countries. It is based on the data and criteria communicated by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) every Thursday. Each country is given a colour code (**red, orange, green**). The measures applicable to travel to Cyprus depend on the colour code assigned to each country.

Find out the [current colour code assigned by Cyprus to each country](#)

Is a coronavirus test required?

As of **1 April 2021**, passengers from countries of the "**Green Category**" are not required to hold a Covid-19 test certificate and to self-isolate.

Travellers from "**Orange Category**" countries are subject to the requirement for a **pre-departure negative PCR test**.

The test must be taken within **72 hours prior to arrival**.

Additionally, the following categories may be tested upon arrival:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention;
4. Persons, irrespective of nationality, whose country of residence does not provide a laboratory testing service.

Travellers from "**Red Category**" countries are subject to the requirement for a **pre-departure negative PCR test**.

The test must be taken within **72 hours prior to arrival**. Additionally, these travellers are subject to a **second test upon their arrival**.

The following categories of passengers from a "Red Category" country may enter Cyprus after having taken, at their own expense, only a test upon their arrival:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention.

As of 1 April 2021, all passengers holding a **vaccination certificate** from the Republic of Cyprus are not required to undergo a Covid-19 test upon arrival and to self-isolate.

Is a quarantine required?

Travellers from "Orange" and "Red" countries shall remain in mandatory self-isolation until they receive the test result.

People from "Red" countries falling within the categories 1-3 above must remain in mandatory self-isolation for 72 hours and, after the end of the 72 hours, they must undergo another PCR test, at their own expenses. If the last test is negative, isolation is ended.

The test result must be sent to the following email address: monada@mphs.moh.gov.cy

All travellers who test positive should be placed in compulsory confinement for **14 days** and follow the medical protocol of the Ministry of Health.

Mandatory Travel Documentation

All passengers have to submit, within 24 hours before starting their journey, all the information and documents required to obtain the [CyprusFlightPass](#).

The use of the platform is mandatory for anyone who wishes to travel to Cyprus. Only in case of technical problems or scheduled maintenance of the electronic platform, passengers will be allowed to fill in the required form in writing.

The download forms for passengers travelling to Cyprus can be found at <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/download-forms>

Find out more:

[Updated information on Country Categories Epidemiological risk assessment \(19/04/2021\)](#)

Contact point for Cyprus:

A Covid-19 call center is available from Monday to Sunday (8:00 - 20:00) at 1474. This service provides direct, timely and comprehensive information regarding all governmental initiatives related to COVID-19.

What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

Specific measures for the new variant of coronavirus

In the case of passengers arriving from the UK:

1. Passengers will undergo a molecular test upon their arrival at the Airports;
2. They will then be transferred to designated hotels for compulsory 7-day self-isolation;
3. On the 7th day of isolation, they will undergo a new molecular test and, in case of a negative result, they will continue their self-isolation at home for another 3 days (total self-isolation: 10 days);
4. On the 10th day, and provided no symptoms occur, they are automatically released. In case symptoms occur, the General Practitioner should be contacted.

As of 1 March 2021, the evaluation of third countries will be carried out by the Ministry of Health which classifies them as "green", "orange", "red" and "grey".

As of 1 April 2021, all passengers holding a **vaccination certificate** from the Republic of Cyprus are not required to undergo a Covid-19 test upon arrival and to self-isolate.

Is a coronavirus test required?

As of **1 April 2021**, all passengers from "**Green Category**" countries are not required to hold a Covid-19 test certificate and to self-isolate.

Travellers from "**Orange Category**" countries have to provide a document showing a negative result of a PCR test taken within 72 hours before entering the country.

The following categories have also the option to be tested upon arrival:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention;
4. Persons, irrespective of nationality, whose countries of residence ("orange" countries) do not provide a laboratory testing service.

Travellers from "**Red Category**" countries have to undergo a **double testing procedure**, showing a negative result of a PCR test taken within 72 hours before entering the country and carrying out another PCR test upon arrival.

The following categories of passengers may enter from a "red" country after having undergone, at their own expense, only a laboratory test upon their arrival:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention.

Is a quarantine required?

Travellers from "orange" and "red" countries shall remain in mandatory self-isolation until they receive the PCR test result. People from "red" countries falling within the categories 1-3 above must remain in mandatory self-isolation for 72 hours and after the end of the 72 hours they must undergo another PCR test, at their own expense. If the last test is negative, isolation expires.

All travellers who test positive should be placed in compulsory confinement for 14 days and follow the medical protocol of the Ministry of Health.

For travellers from "grey" countries, quarantine measures apply, in accordance with the instructions of the Ministry of Health. Passengers shall remain in mandatory self-isolation /quarantine for a period of 14 days or alternatively, for a period of 10 days provided that they undergo another test (at their own expense) on the 10th day and the result is negative.

The test result must be sent to the following email address: monada@mphs.moh.gov.cy

Mandatory Travel Documentation

All passengers have to submit, within 24 hours before starting their journey, all the information and documents to obtain the [CyprusFlightPass](#).

The download forms for passengers travelling to Cyprus can be found at <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/download-forms>

Find out more:

[Epidemiological risk assessment \(19/04/2021\)](#)

May I transit this country?

PARTIALLY

As a general rule, passengers in transit in the EU+ area are exempted from temporary travel restriction.

EU citizens entering the EU from a third country, as well as their family members, irrespective of their nationality, are exempted from the travel restrictions regardless of whether or not they are returning to their country of nationality or residence.

Passengers travelling from a non-EU country to another non-EU country may transit through the international transit area of airports located in the Schengen area. Rules regarding airport transit visa requirements continue to apply.

General measures

As of 10 January, a strict lockdown is applied. From 16 March, a curfew is in place and the movement of citizens is banned from 23:00 to 5:00 (with some exceptions).

The enterprises serving the public, as well as the offices of the public sector and the Local Authorities, should take the necessary measures to guarantee a minimum distance of 2 metres and the maximum presence of 1 person per 10 square metres for shops below 1000 square metres and of 1 person per 15 square metres for shops exceeding 1000 square metres.

Find out more:

[FAQs on measures to contain the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

[Decree 12/2021](#)

Use of facemasks

The use of a facemask is mandatory for people from the age of 12:

- in closed public spaces with more than 1 person;
- in outdoor public places with more than 2 people;
- in any workplace that involves physical proximity with the public, in retail stores and for people delivering goods.

Physical Distancing

Physical distancing measures of **2 metres outdoors** and **3 metres indoors** are in place.

Source: <https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/CYP/7001>

31.03.2021

From an EU Member State or Schengen Associated Country, may I enter this country without being subject to extraordinary restrictions?

NO

Cyprus implements the commonly agreed EU "traffic lights" approach to travel restrictions.

Is a coronavirus test required?

Travellers from "**Green Category**" countries are not required to provide a COVID-19 test certificate or self-isolate.

During the period **1-31 March 2021**, all passengers from countries of the "Green Category" will undergo a PCR laboratory test upon their arrival in Cyprus, the cost of which will be covered by the Republic of Cyprus. As of **1 April 2021**, no restriction will be in place.

Travellers from "**Orange Category**" countries are subject to the requirement for a **pre-departure negative PCR test**.

The test must be taken within **72 hours prior to arrival**.

The following categories may also be tested upon arrival:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention;
4. Persons, irrespective of nationality, whose countries of residence ("orange" countries) do not provide a laboratory testing service.

Travellers from "**Red Category**" countries are subject to the requirement for a pre-departure negative PCR test. The test must be taken within 72 hours prior to arrival. Additionally, these travellers are subject to a second test upon their arrival.

The following categories of passengers may enter from a "Red Category" country after having taken, at their own expense, only a test upon their arrival:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention.

Is a quarantine required?

Travellers from "Orange" and "Red" countries shall remain in mandatory self-isolation until they receive the PCR test result.

People from "Red" countries falling within the categories 1-3 above must remain in mandatory self-isolation for 72 hours and, after the end of the 72 hours, they must undergo another PCR test, at their own expense. If the last test is negative, isolation is ended.

The test result must be sent to the following email address: monada@mphs.moh.gov.cy

All travellers who test positive should be placed in compulsory confinement for **14 days** and follow the medical protocol of the Ministry of Health.

Mandatory Travel Documentation

All passengers have to submit, within 24 hours before starting their journey, all the information and documents required to obtain the [CyprusFlightPass](#).

The use of the platform is mandatory for anyone who wishes to travel to Cyprus. Only in case of technical problems or scheduled maintenance of the electronic platform, passengers will be allowed to fill in the required form in writing.

The download forms for passengers travelling to Cyprus can be found at <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/download-forms>

Find out more:

[Updated information on Country Categories Epidemiological risk assessment \(22/03/2021\)](#)

Contact point for Cyprus:

A Covid-19 call centre is available from Monday to Sunday (8:00 - 20:00) at 1474. This service provides direct, timely and comprehensive information regarding all governmental initiatives related to COVID-19.

What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?**Specific measures for the new variant of coronavirus**

In the case of passengers arriving from the UK:

1. Passengers will undergo a molecular test upon their arrival at the Airports;
2. They will then be transferred to designated hotels for compulsory 7-day self-isolation;
3. On the 7th day of isolation, they will undergo a new molecular test and, in case of a negative result, they will continue their self-isolation at home for another 3 days (total self-isolation: 10 days);
4. On the 10th day, and provided no symptoms occur, they are automatically released. In case symptoms occur, the General Practitioner should be contacted.

As of 1 March 2021, the evaluation of third countries will be carried out by the Ministry of Health which classifies them as "green", "orange", "red" and "grey".

Is a coronavirus test required?

Travellers coming from the **Green Category** countries are not required to hold a COVID-19 test certificate or self-isolate.

During the period **1-31 March 2021**, all passengers from countries of the "Green Category" will undergo a PCR laboratory test upon their arrival in Cyprus, the cost of which will be covered by the Republic of Cyprus. As of **1 April 2021**, no restriction will be in place.

Travellers from **countries** of the "Orange Category" have to provide a document showing a negative result of a PCR test taken within 72 hours before entering the country.

The following categories have also the option to be tested upon arrival:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention;
4. Persons, irrespective of nationality, whose countries of residence ("orange" countries) do not provide a laboratory testing service.

Travellers from **countries** of the "Red Category" have to undergo a **double testing procedure**, showing a negative result of a PCR test taken within 72 hours before entering the country and carrying out another PCR test upon arrival.

The following categories of passengers may enter from a "red" country after having undergone, at their own expense, only a laboratory test upon their arrival:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (spouses, underage children and parents);
2. Persons legally residing in Cyprus;
3. Persons entitled to enter the Republic under the Vienna Convention.

Is a quarantine required?

Travellers from "orange" and "red" countries shall remain in mandatory self-isolation until they receive the PCR test result. People from "red" countries falling within the categories 1-3 above must remain in mandatory self-isolation for 72 hours and after the end of the 72 hours they must undergo another PCR test, at their own expense. If the last test is negative, isolation expires.

All travellers who test positive should be placed in compulsory confinement for 14 days and follow the medical protocol of the Ministry of Health.

For travellers from "grey" countries, quarantine measures apply, in accordance with the instructions of the Ministry of Health. Passengers shall remain in mandatory self-isolation /quarantine for a period of 14 days or alternatively, for a period of 10 days provided that they undergo another test (at their own expense) on the 10th day and the result is negative.

The test result must be sent to the following email address: monada@mphs.moh.gov.cy

Mandatory Travel Documentation

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Find out more:

[Epidemiological risk assessment \(22/03\)](#)

May I transit this country?

PARTIALLY

As a general rule, passengers in transit in the EU+ area are exempted from temporary travel restriction.

EU citizens entering the EU from a third country, as well as their family members, irrespective of their nationality, are exempted from the travel restrictions regardless of whether or not they are returning to their country of nationality or residence.

Passengers travelling from a non-EU country to another non-EU country may transit through the international transit area of airports located in the Schengen area. Rules regarding airport transit visa requirements continue to apply.

May I enter this country by sea transport?

PARTIALLY

All Ports shall operate only for commercial transactions and activities. The boarding of cruise ships is prohibited.

May I fly to this country?

Specific measures for the new variant of coronavirus

from 18:00 of 21 December 2020, taking into account the information concerning the new strain of the SARS-CoV-2 virus and in an effort to safeguard Public Health, for precautionary reasons and until new clarifications are provided by the scientific community, the following measures apply to all passengers arriving at Larnaca and Pafos Airports from the UK:

1. Passengers may either present the negative result of a molecular test taken in the 72 hours before entering Cyprus or undergo a molecular test upon their arrival at the Airports of Larnaca and Pafos;
2. They will then be transferred to designated hotels for compulsory 7-day self-isolation (persons under the age of 18 may choose to self-isolate at their homes or to remain in isolation in the hotels if they are travelling with their parents or legal guardians);
3. On the 7th day of isolation, they will undergo a new molecular test and, in case of a negative result, they will continue their self-isolation at home for another 3 days (total self-isolation: 10 days).
4. On the 10th day, and provided no symptoms occur, they are automatically released. In case symptoms occur, the General Practitioner should be contacted for medical guidance and the relevant health protocol of the Ministry of Health shall be observed.

It is noted that the cost of transfer and hotel stay is undertaken by the State.

The samples taken from travellers who arrived from the UK during last week and who were found positive will be sent to the Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics to be checked and to determine whether the new mutant strain of coronavirus is found. The Scientific Advisory Committee on Coronavirus, in accordance with the competent EU bodies, is closely monitoring the developments and any new recommendation or suggestion will be announced accordingly.

You can find the latest information on air travel regulations for this country on the [IATA website](#).

You can also find information about [air passenger rights](#) on our portal for citizens.

General measures

As of 10 January, a strict lockdown is applied. From 16 March, a curfew is in place and the movement of citizens is banned from 23:00 to 5:00 (with some exceptions).

The percentage of physical presence of employees in private service businesses decreases from 50% to 25%.

The enterprises serving the public, as well as the offices of the public sector, and the Local Authorities, should take the necessary measures to guarantee a minimum distance of 2 metres and the maximum presence of 1 person per 10 square metres.

To know more:

[FAQs on measures to contain the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

[Decree 11/2021](#)

[Health cover for temporary stays](#)

Use of facemasks

The use of a facemask is mandatory for people from the age of 12:

- in closed public spaces with more than 1 person;
- in outdoor public places with more than 2 people;
- in any workplace that involves physical proximity with the public, in retail stores and for people delivering goods.

Physical Distancing

Physical distancing measures of **2 metres outdoors** and **3 metres indoors** are in place.

Source: <https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/CYP/7001>

22.01.2021

From an EU Member State or Schengen Associated Country, may I enter this country without being subject to extraordinary restrictions?

PARTIALLY

Note: Cyprus adopts *its own national classification of risk areas*, hence travel restrictions for Cyprus are not based on the common "EU Traffic Lights" map.

The classification of countries is available at [cyprusflightpas.gov.cy](https://www.cyprusflightpas.gov.cy) and is revised on a weekly basis, according to the evolution of the epidemiological situation.

Category A

Passengers from Category A countries are only asked to provide some specific information and a declaration.

Category B

Travellers from a Category B country, or who have stayed in a Category B country in the 14 days before arrival to Cyprus, have to provide a document showing a negative PCR result for COVID-19 conducted within 72 hours before entering the country.

In the following cases, travellers have also the option to be tested upon arrival and should be in isolation until they receive the results:

- Cypriot citizens and their family members (foreign spouses and their minor children);
- persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus;
- persons from category B countries that are not in the position to offer a laboratory testing service (public or private) to those wishing to travel to Cyprus, provided that an announcement by the Ministry of Health of Cyprus grants this permission

Category C

In case of travellers from a Category C country, or who have stayed in a Category C country in the 14 days before arrival to Cyprus, only the following categories are allowed to enter the territory:

- Cypriot citizens, permanently residing in the Republic of Cyprus and their family members (foreign spouses and their minor children);
- persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus;
- persons, regardless of nationality, having special permission as defined under the infectious Diseases Decree N.30 (Determination of Measures Against the Spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus disease), as amended.
- patients, regardless of nationality, who received treatment by an approved private or public hospital /medical centre in the Republic and who are in need to continue such treatment;
- persons, regardless of nationality, whose presence in the Republic, due to their professional or scientific capacity, is approved by the competent medical body to reinforce the efforts against COVID-19;
- first-degree relatives of persons residing in the Republic and/or who are doing business in the Republic (spouse, children, parents) for reunion purposes.

The above-mentioned categories have the possibility either to provide a document showing a negative PCR result for COVID-19 conducted within 72 hours before entering the country or to be tested upon arrival at their own expenses.

Travellers from Category C countries have also to undergo a compulsory 14-days self-isolation, following the special precautions and preventive measures provided by the Ministry of Health. In addition, they have to submit to a second PCR test conducted on the 10th day of the period of self-isolation, at their own expenses. The result of the PCR test must be sent to the following email address: monada@moh.gov.cy and the self-isolation will come to an end on the 14th day, provided that the test result is negative.

All travellers who test positive for COVID-19 should be placed in compulsory confinement for 14 days and the medical protocol of the Ministry of Health shall be observed.

The prerequisites for passengers travelling to Cyprus from each country category can be found at: <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/download-forms>

Additional details can be found on the [Decree n.2/2021](#)

Mandatory Travel Documentation

All passengers travelling to the Republic of Cyprus have to submit, within 24 hours before starting their journey from the country of origin to the Republic of Cyprus (either via direct flight or with intermediate stops), all the information and documents required to obtain the [CyprusFlightPass](#).

The use of the platform is obligatory for anyone who wishes to travel to Cyprus. Only in case of technical problems or scheduled maintenance of the electronic platform, which will be officially announced in the platform itself, passengers will be allowed to fill in the required form in writing.

What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

Specific measures for the new variant of coronavirus

from 21 December 2020, the following measures apply to all passengers arriving from the UK:

1. Passengers will undergo a molecular test upon their arrival at the Airports;
2. They will then be transferred to designated hotels for compulsory 7-day self-isolation (persons under the age of 18 may choose to self-isolate at their homes or to remain in isolation in the hotels if they are travelling with their parents or legal guardians);
3. On the 7th day of isolation, they will undergo a new molecular test and, in case of a negative result, they will continue their self-isolation at home for another 3 days (total self-isolation: 10 days);
4. On the 10th day, and provided no symptoms occur, they are automatically released. In case symptoms occur, the General Practitioner should be contacted for medical guidance.

Entry rules for Cyprus depend on the epidemiological situation in countries of origin and transit.

Travel restrictions have been lifted for residents of **Australia, Japan, New Zealand, South Korea, Singapore, Thailand** (Category A countries).

The categorisation of countries is available at cyprusflightpass.gov.cy and is revised on a weekly basis.

May I enter this country by sea transport?

PARTIALLY

All Ports shall operate only for commercial transactions and activities. The boarding of cruise ships is prohibited.

General measures

As of 10 January 2021, a strict lockdown is applied.

A curfew is in place and **the movement of citizens is banned from 21:00 to 5:00**. The movement of persons during curfew hours is permitted for the following reasons:

- To move from/to the workplace, with the presentation of a form ("Form A"), completed and signed by the employer, which certifies the necessity for the movement during the aforementioned hours;
- For urgent reasons, such as going to a medical centre (or hospital or pharmacy), to a veterinarian for medical emergencies, and to provide assistance to people who are unable to care for themselves or who need to self-isolate.

Movement by exception will be permitted twice a day by sending a text message to 8998. Persons over the age of 65 may use "Form B" for their movement by exception. To move from/to the workplace, no text message is required, but the employee must present "Form A" signed by his/her employer.

A Covid-19 call centre is available from Monday to Sunday (8:00 - 20:00) at 1474. This service provides direct, timely and comprehensive information regarding all governmental initiatives for dealing with COVID-19.

To know more:

[FAQs on measures to contain the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

[Decree n.2/2021](#)

[Decree n.3/2021](#)

[Health cover for temporary stays](#)

Use of facemasks

The use of a mask is mandatory for people from the age of 12:

- in closed public spaces;
- in outdoor public places;
- in any workplace that involves physical proximity with the public, in retail stores and for people delivering goods.

Physical Distancing

Physical distancing measures of **2 metres outdoors** and **3 metres indoors** are in place.

14.12.2020

What are the rules to enter this country from outside an EU Member State or Schengen Associated country?

Entry rules for Cyprus depend on the epidemiological situation in countries of origin and transit.

Restrictions to non-essential travel has been lifted for residents of **Australia, Japan, New Zealand, South Korea, Singapore, Thailand.**

The categorisation of countries is available at [cyprusflightpass.gov.cy](https://www.cyprusflightpass.gov.cy) and is revised on a weekly basis, according to the evolution of the epidemiological situation.

Category A

Passengers from Category A countries are only asked to provide some specific information and a declaration.

Category B

Travellers from a Category B country, or who have stayed in a Category B country in the 14 days before arrival to Cyprus, have to provide a document showing a negative PCR result for COVID-19 conducted within 72 hours before entering the country.

In the following cases, travellers have also the option to be tested upon arrival, at their own expenses:

- Cypriot citizens and their family members (foreign spouses and their minor children);
- persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus;
- persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus under the Vienna Convention;
- persons from category B countries that are not in the position to offer a laboratory testing service (public or private) to those wishing to travel to Cyprus, provided that an announcement by the Ministry of Health of Cyprus grants this permission.

Category C

Travellers from a Category C country, or who have stayed in a Category C country in the 14 days before arrival to Cyprus, have to provide a document showing a negative PCR result for COVID-19 conducted within 72 hours before entering the country.

In the following cases, travellers have also the option to be tested upon arrival, at their own expenses:

- Cypriot citizens, permanently residing in the Republic of Cyprus and their family members (foreign spouses and their minor children);
- persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus;
- persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus under the Vienna Convention;

- persons, regardless of nationality, having a special permission as defined under the infectious Diseases Decree N.30 (Determination of Measures Against the Spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus disease), as amended.

Travellers from Category C countries have also to undergo a compulsory 14-days self-isolation, following the special precautions and preventive measures provided by the Ministry of Health. In addition, they have to submit to a second PCR test conducted 48 hours prior to the end of the period of self-isolation, at their own expenses. The result of the PCR test must be sent to the following email address: monada@mphs.moh.gov.cy and the self-isolation will come to an end on the 14th day, provided that the test result is negative.

The prerequisites for passengers travelling to Cyprus from each country category can be found at: <https://cyprusflightpasses.gov.cy/en/download-forms>

Mandatory Travel Documentation

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Only in case of technical problems or scheduled maintenance of the electronic platform, which will be officially announced in the platform itself, passengers will be allowed to fill in the required form in writing.

From an EU Member State or Schengen Associated Country, may I enter this country without being subject to extraordinary restrictions?

Partially

Entry Restrictions

Entry rules for Cyprus depend on the epidemiological situation in countries of origin and transit.

The categorisation of countries is available at cyprusflightpasses.gov.cy and is revised on a weekly basis, according to the evolution of the epidemiological situation.

Category A

Passengers from Category A countries are only asked to provide some specific information and a declaration.

Category B

Travellers from a Category B country, or who have stayed in a Category B country in the 14 days before arrival to Cyprus, have to provide a document showing a negative PCR result for COVID-19 conducted within 72 hours before entering the country.

In the following cases, travellers have also the option to be tested upon arrival, at their own expenses:

- Cypriot citizens and their family members (foreign spouses and their minor children);

- persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus;
- persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus under the Vienna Convention;
- persons from category B countries that are not in the position to offer a laboratory testing service (public or private) to those wishing to travel to Cyprus, provided that an announcement by the Ministry of Health of Cyprus grants this permission.

Category C

Travellers from a Category C country, or who have stayed in a Category C country in the 14 days before arrival to Cyprus, have to provide a document showing a negative PCR result for COVID-19 conducted within 72 hours before entering the country.

In the following cases, travellers have also the option to be tested upon arrival, at their own expenses:

- Cypriot citizens, permanently residing in the Republic of Cyprus and their family members (foreign spouses and their minor children);
- persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus;
- persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus under the Vienna Convention;
- persons, regardless of nationality, having a special permission as defined under the infectious Diseases Decree N.30 (Determination of Measures Against the Spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus disease), as amended.

Travellers from Category C countries have also to undergo a compulsory 14-days self-isolation, following the special precautions and preventive measures provided by the Ministry of Health. In addition, they have to submit to a second PCR test conducted 48 hours prior to the end of the period of self-isolation, at their own expenses. The result of the PCR test must be sent to the following email address: nada@mphs.moh.gov.cy and the self-isolation will come to an end on the 14th day, provided that the test result is negative.

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Only in case of technical problems or scheduled maintenance of the electronic platform, which will be officially announced in the platform itself, passengers will be allowed to fill in the required form in writing.

Third-country nationals coming from outside the EU and Norway, Switzerland, Iceland and Liechtenstein

Travellers from Australia, Korea, New Zealand and Thailand (Category A) are allowed to enter and are only asked to provide some specific information and a declaration.

Travellers from Canada, China, Georgia, Hong Kong, Japan, Rwanda, Uruguay (category B) have the option to perform the COVID-19 test upon arrival in Cyprus, at the price of 60 euros. Self-isolation is required until the result of the test is available.

The same applies to passengers travelling to Cyprus via category B countries with an overnight stay and belong to at least one of the following categories:

Cypriot citizens and their family members (foreign spouses, their minor children and their parents) Persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus Persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus under the Vienna Convention Persons from category B countries that are not offering COVID-19 tests to those wishing to travel to the Republic of Cyprus.

Travellers from countries other than those mentioned in the first two categories (Category C) or who have stayed in a Category C country in the 14 days before arrival to Cyprus, and passengers travelling to Cyprus via intermediate countries of Category C with an overnight stay, are allowed to enter Cyprus and to perform the COVID-19 test only if they belong to one of the following categories:

Cypriot citizens, permanently residing in the Republic of Cyprus and their family members (foreign spouses, their minor children and their parents) Persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus Persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus under the Vienna Convention Persons, regardless of nationality, having a special permission as defined under the infectious Diseases Decree N.30 (Determination of Measures Against the Spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus disease), as amended

The prerequisites for passengers travelling to Cyprus from each country category can be found at: <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/download-forms>

Entry Restrictions

Entry rules for Cyprus depend on the epidemiological situation in countries of origin and transit.

The categorisation of countries is available at cyprusflightpass.gov.cy and is revised on a weekly basis, according to the evolution of the epidemiological situation.

Category A

Passengers from Category A countries are only asked to provide some specific information and a declaration.

Category B

Travellers from a Category B Country, or who have stayed in a Category B Country in the 14 days before arrival to Cyprus, have the option to perform the COVID-19 test upon arrival in Cyprus, at the price of 60 euros. Self-isolation is required until the result of the test is available.

The same applies to passengers travelling to Cyprus via intermediate Countries of Category B, with an overnight stay and belong to at least one of the following categories:

Cypriot citizens and their family members (foreign spouses, their minor children and their parents) Persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus Persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus under the Vienna Convention Persons from category B countries that are not offering COVID-19 tests to those wishing to travel to the Republic of Cyprus

Category C

Travellers from a Category C Country, or who have stayed in a Category C Country in the 14 days before arrival to Cyprus, and passengers travelling to Cyprus via intermediate countries of Category C with an overnight stay, are allowed to enter Cyprus and to perform the COVID-19 test only if they belong to one of the following categories:

Cypriot citizens, permanently residing in the Republic of Cyprus and their family members (foreign spouses, their minor children and their parents) Persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus Persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus under the Vienna Convention Persons, regardless of nationality, having a special permission as defined under the infectious Diseases Decree N.30 (Determination of Measures Against the Spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus disease), as amended

The prerequisites for passengers travelling to Cyprus from each country category can be found at: <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/download-forms>

28.08.2020

Travelling to Cyprus

Countries are divided in 3 categories, based on epidemiological criteria and data: Category A, Category B, and all other countries not belonging to either Category A or B (classified as Category C).

The categorisation of countries is available at <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/country-categories> and is revised on a weekly basis, according to the evolution of the epidemiological situation.

Rules and Exceptions

Passengers from Category A countries are only asked to provide some specific information and a declaration.

Passengers from Category B and C countries will need to:

- have undergone a test for Covid-19 at a certified lab, within 72 hours prior to their departure, and hold a certificate demonstrating the negative result to the test;
- provide specific information and a declaration.

In the following cases, passengers travelling from Category B countries have the option to be tested - at their own expenses - upon their arrival at the Republic of Cyprus, if they didn't take the test for COVID-19 within 72 hours prior to their departure:

1. Cypriot citizens and their family members (foreign spouses, their minor children and their parents);
2. Persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus;
3. Persons allowed to enter the Republic of Cyprus under the Vienna Convention;
4. Persons, regardless of nationality, having a special permission by the Republic of Cyprus, as defined under the infectious Diseases (Determination of Measures Against the Spread of the Covid-19 Coronavirus disease) Decree (N.30), as amended;
5. Persons from countries in category B, whose authorities are not in a position to offer Covid-19 testing to those wishing to travel to the Republic of Cyprus, are allowed to perform the Covid-19 test upon their entry to the Republic of Cyprus.

Only the following passenger categories can travel to Cyprus from Category C countries:

- 1) Cypriot citizens permanently residing in the Republic, and their family members (foreign spouses, their minor children and their parents);
- 2) Persons legally residing in the Republic of Cyprus;
- 3) Persons allowed to enter the Republic in accordance with the Vienna Convention;
- 4) Persons of any nationality who are allowed to enter the Republic after obtaining special permission from the Republic of Cyprus, as defined under the infectious Diseases (Determination of Measures Against the Spread of the Covid-19 Coronavirus disease) Decree (N.30), as amended.

The above groups of passengers, travelling from Category B or C countries, will have the option of taking the test upon their arrival in Cyprus and pay for the cost of the test. Passengers should constantly visit the dedicated electronic platform to be informed of possible changes that will affect their trip. The prerequisites for passengers travelling to Cyprus from each country category can be found at: <https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/en/download-forms>

Mandatory Travel Documentation

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[Documents you need to travel in Europe](#)

Source: <https://reopen.europa.eu/en/map/CYP>



Source: European Commission

22.07.2020

Conditions to enter the country for foreign visitors (29.05.2020)

Cyprus has published a protocol for the entry into the country for foreign visitors.

Further information:

<https://www.pio.gov.cy/assets/pdf/newsroom/2020/05/29.5.2020...>

More info:

<https://www.pio.gov.cy/coronavirus/en/>

Source: https://ec.europa.eu/transport/home_en



Source: WCO/Department of Customs and Excise

07.05.2020

1. Measures aiming to Facilitate the Cross-border Movement of Relief and Essential Supplies

1.1. Facilitation for the import of medical equipment.

1.2. Offer relaxation and facilitation according to the Commission's guidance:
https://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/covid-19-taxud-response/guidance-customsissues-related-covid-19-emergency_en

1.3. Automatic electronic notification for the release of cargo by the Customs Authorities to the Port Controlling Authorities.

2. Measures aiming at Supporting the Economy and Sustaining Supply Chain Continuity

2.1. For companies approved for deferred payment of excise duty and VAT, the legislation has been amended in order to allow the prolongation of the payments period.

2.2. On a temporary basis T2L copies instead of originals are accepted, as long as circumstances prevail making the timely presentation of originals impossible. However post-controls or other measures apply. In addition, upon request of the person concerned and if justified under the current specific circumstances, flexibility may be applied as regards the period of validity of the proof of customs status.

2.3. The period for taking goods out of the customs territory without the export or reexport declaration being invalidated by the customs office of export is prolonged. Under the current exceptional circumstances, the customs office of export should not initiate such invalidation, unless the declarant of the declaration concerned explicitly requests this.

2.4. Exceptionally during the crisis period and until further notice, when requiring the provision by importers of origin certificates issued for preferential purposes in the form of a copy, issued on paper or electronically are accepted. More specifically this applies to:

- a copy, either in paper or in electronic form (scanned or available online), of the original certificate signed and stamped by the competent authorities as normally required;
- the certificate, not signed and stamped by the competent authorities as normally required but with a digital signature of the competent authorities, or a copy of it, either in paper or in electronic form (scanned or available on-line).

A copy of a certificate which is not issued in accordance with any of the two possibilities mentioned above cannot be accepted, unless the customs authorities of the importing country ascertain their issuance and authenticity through other means (for instance, via communication with the customs of the exporting country providing confirmation). The above apply only to certificates that have been issued since the start of the CoVid19 crisis where it has affected the possibility to issue them in due form. For the purpose of this note, such situation is deemed to exist from 1st March 2020.

Once the exceptional situation ceases, customs authorities will be entitled to request the importer to present the original certificate.

3. Measures aiming at Protecting Customs administrations' Staff

3.1. Protection and social distancing measures taken by front line officers, in order to prevent spreading of the infection and safeguarding the operation of the Customs Offices in case of an incident during a shift.

3.2. Staff with chronic illness, pregnant women and parents with children under 15 years old working remotely from home by the end of school year.

4. Other Measures

5.1. Further facilitation of the use of electronic payments.



Suspension of flights from all EEA countries and Switzerland

Cyprus has notified a suspension of flights from all EEA countries and Switzerland. Exempt include cargo, ferry, humanitarian, ambulance and repatriation flights to Cyprus.

Start date: 21.03.2020

End date: not available

Entry ban to non-resident citizens and mandatory 14-day quarantine (16.03.2020)

Between 16/3/2020 and 30/4/2020, entry to the Republic of Cyprus will only be granted to Cypriot citizens, legal residents, European or third-country nationals working in Cyprus and a number of exceptional cases. All travelers returning to Cyprus from abroad, regardless of their country of origin, will be placed under a 14-day compulsory quarantine at accommodation facilities designated by the Republic of Cyprus. In addition, passengers arriving in Cyprus must be in possession of a recent medical certificate.

Start date: 16.03.2020

End date: 30.04.2020

Further information: <https://www.pio.gov.cy/en/press-releases-article.html?id=12683#flat>