Dominican Republic

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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

As of April 23, 2022, all passengers and crew members do not need to present a COVID-19 Vaccination Card, PCR, or antigen test to enter the Dominican Republic or to enter tourist centers, any establishments or to receive services such as excursions. Random COVID-19 testing for passengers and crew upon arrival in the Dominican Republic will no longer be performed. However, when required, random testing operations may be performed. Passengers who present their Vaccination Card will be exempted from random testing.

Passports: All foreign citizens who enter the Dominican Republic, exclusively for tourism purposes, must have a valid passport during their stay and departure from the country. This exceptional measure is valid until December 31, 2022.

EXCEPTIONS TO THE VALIDITY OF PASSPORTS

Based on the ever-changing nature of the COVID-19 virus, we recommend connecting with your airline or travel agent directly to discuss any protocols that may apply to your country. As needed, we also recommend visiting the International Air Transport Association (IATA) for any updates to international markets and their required procedures. IATA cannot guarantee its accuracy and can accept no liability for any errors or omissions.

E-TICKET

All foreign and Dominican passengers entering or leaving Dominican Republic on commercial flights must complete the free electronic entry and exit form, which combines the Traveler's Health Affidavit, Customs Declaration and International Embarkation/Disembarkation forms. The form is available in English, Spanish, French, Italian, German, Portuguese and Russian and can be accessed through the following link:

https://eticket.migracion.gob.do

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE E-TICKET

CURRENT MEASURES BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

As of February 16, 2022, all restrictive measures imposed by COVID-19 are suspended, and it will be up to each individual to take his or her own measures to safeguard his or her health, responsibly, but without restrictions.

Measures such as the use of face masks, presentation of vaccination cards for access to places of public use or restrictions in public spaces are the responsibility of each individual.

As a result of our stringent safety measures and effective vaccination plan, currently, hotel occupancy has increased to 100%, further solidifying Dominican Republic as a world example of tourism recovery amidst the pandemic.

Remarks from the International Road Transport Union

Forthcoming

100% of the Tourism sector personnel (hotels, airports, restaurants, transportation, etc.) have been vaccinated with two doses, and are in the process of being vaccinated with a third dose of the vaccine against COVID-19. With this vaccination program we will continue to strengthen the safety and health of all those who work in the sector in order to also guarantee the safety and health of all tourists who visit us. The hotels, restaurants and partners will continue to work hand in hand with the authorities.

Dominican Republic has a robust health care system that has been able to quickly detect cases of COVID-19 in the country. For more information about the coronavirus in Dominican Republic, please visit the Ministry of Public Health's website. (https://www.msp.gob.do/web/) or download the COVID-RD mobile phone application, available on the App Store and Google Play, that works as a passport in which, through a QR code, visitors can report their condition and access many services and information.

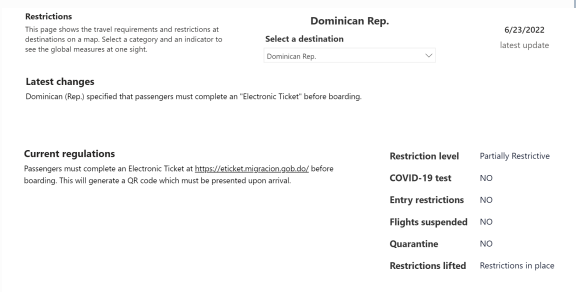
For MITUR, the well-being and safety of visitors remains a priority, so it will continue to work in coordination with the other relevant authorities to further strengthen the country's preventive measures against coronavirus.

DOWNLOAD ALL THE TOURISM SECTOR PROTOCOLS

Source: https://www.godominicanrepublic.com/newsroom/coronavirus#measures

Source: World Tourism Organization UNWTO

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Source: Source: https://www.unwto.org/tourism-data/unwto-iata-destination-tracker-easy-travel

Source:WCO/Directorate General of Customs (DGA) – Dominican Republic

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Preventive measures taken by the Directorate General of Customs (DGA) in response to the COVID-19 pandemic

The Directorate General of Customs (DGA), in the context of the emergency situation due to the COVID-19 pandemic and seeking to collaborate in response to the impact that this represents, adopts the following measures:

1. Exemption of the surcharge for late declaration (Art. 52 of Law No. 3489), upon a request submitted to the Customs administration, which will coordinate its implementation.
2. For the computation of the term of storage of the merchandise in the Bonded Warehouse Regime, under any of its modalities: fiscal, re-export and cargo consolidation, the days from Friday 20 March 2020 until three (3) business days after the lifting of the national emergency estate, will not be taken into consideration.
3. The Customs administration will deduct the days of quarantine from the terms to be computed so that a merchandise is not considered in fact abandonment.
4. For digital signature procedures, support will be provided through the e-mail addressfirmasdigitalesti@aduanas.gob.do and by phone.
5. Since 24 March, the files of the following requests are received only by e-mail (info.correspondenciayarchivo@aduanas.gob.do):

    a. Application of Tax Payment Exemption Law 253-12
    b. Request for Exemption from Payment of Taxes According to Provision no. 7204
    c. WTO Contingent Authorization (Technical Rectification)
6. The cash registers hours in Customs offices will be until 3:00 p.m. starting 24 March and users are invited to make payments electronically.
7. Theregistrationofnewimportersand/orexporters,fortheinclusionofagentsandfor authorization of intermediaries, can be requested electronically from 23 March, after the completion of the requirements established by the DGA. Details areavailable in the institutional webpage www.aduanas.gob.do in the Services tab, General option. These requests should be summited by e-mail (unidadregistro@aduanas.gob.do).
8. The new containers release schedule in Customs offices will be until 5:00 p.m., attending to the curfew imposed by the Executive Branch.
9. During the emergency situation, the collection of all import taxes is temporarily suspended on the following goods: masks, clothing, protective equipment and medical instruments, machines or devices necessary to combat the COVID-19 pandemic, which will apply via the Integrated Customs Management System (SIGA).

1. With this temporary suspension of taxes, the entire bureaucratic process is avoided to obtain a formal exemption, which, if required, could be carried out afterwards. This suspension of taxes includes, specifically, the Customs tariff where applicable, and the Tax on the Transfer of Industrialized Goods and Services (ITBIS or VAT).
2. The materials and equipment to apply 0% tariff and ITBIS are the following:

Sub heading	Product Description
6210.10.00	Garment and garment accessories ("used exclusively in clinics and hospitals, including disposables")
4015.11.00	Rubber gloves for surgical use
4015.19.11	Disposable gloves for medical and laboratory use
6307.90.30	Non-woven fabric face masks
9019.20.00	Respiration apparatus for resuscitation



Measures taken for Trade Facilitation on the COVID-19 pandemic: Single Window for Foreign Trade (VUCE):

VUCE operations continue their normal course and only the assistance for the measures in response to COVID-19 is now remotely.
The institutions are accepting copies of the phytosanitary and zoo-sanitary certificates and their revision is through the system.

Different channels have been set up to coordinate the closure of VUCE authorizations allowing importers and exporters to schedule inspections (if necessary) and monitor the authorization process in the port.
In case of requiring assistance, users can communicate by phone at 809-547-7070, ext. 2662 and 2663 or through the email gestiónyprocesosvuce@aduanas.gob.do and trough the site www.vucerd.gob.do.

Further information : http://www.wcoomd.org/-/media/wco/public/global/pdf/....

Source: Internal Affairs and Policy Ministry

March 28: During the Curfew of 5:00 p.m. at 6:00 am. Throughout the national territory, the transit of people working in ports and airports as well as vehicles dedicated to the transport and distribution of goods is authorized.

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28 DE MARZO: Durante el Toque de Queda de 5:00 p.m. a las 6:00 a.m. en todo el territorio nacional, se autoriza el tránsito de personas que laboren en puertos y aeropuertos así como vehículos dedicados al transporte y distribución de mercancías.

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