

Ministry of Public Health Guyana

PROCEDURES FOR ARRIVAL BY AIR TO GUYANA **(Commercial and Private Aircraft)**

The following procedures will apply to any traveler (citizen, resident, worker, visitor) arriving by **Commercial and private aircraft** to the two main airports in Guyana. A summary of the criteria for travel by Air is outlined below. PCR testing for COVID, Temperature and Symptom screening , Use of PPES and types of Quarantine are outlined below and as stated in IATA BIOSAFETY FOR AIR TRAVEL.

Pre-Screening (before Travel)

- Persons returning by airlines will be screened at check in and boarding by airline.
- Temperature, symptoms checks, health assessment and other COVID specific Exit/Entry Screening will be applied in accordance with IATA guidance.
- Traveller should provide proof of negative PCR tests not more than 48 hours before commencement of travel
- If same day testing : testing to be done by PCR method and traveller to arrive at least 6 hours before flight
- Practice Physical distancing during boarding (6ft/2m distance) and use of personal protective equipment where necessary.
- Boarding is recommended to commence from the back of the aircraft with each passenger seated before the next advises. Persons needing special assistance should be boarded before other passengers.
- Passengers should be encouraged to use rest-rooms at the departing airport before boarding.

During Travel

While on flight, all persons should

- Maintain physical/social distancing (seat spacing as advised by IATA)
- Wear facial mask covering nose and mouth except when eating, drinking or taking medication.
- Face mask must be worn throughout the flight by all cabin crew. Gloves are recommended when handling passengers supplies.
- Practice proper hand hygiene and avoid any physical contact. Avoid standing in the aisles, galilees and washroom areas.
- Any person that develops symptoms en-route should be documented report to the captain.

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- The captain must immediately alert the airport authority at the destination country of the illness

Disembarkation

Each individual must be deemed safe to enter country based on primary screening procedures

- Airline to practice enhanced hygiene measures, cleaning and sanitation, travel history and medical logs
- Temperature, Symptom health Questionnaire and other COVID specific Entry Screening
- wearing a mask or face cover over mouth and nose. These must not be removed throughout the processing except for providing care.
- Any other measures deemed necessary by the country including disinsection by residual spraying or cabin spraying before arrival.
- Information on anyone with cough, fever or other respiratory symptoms must be provided to Port Health Authority on arrival.

Quarantine at Arrival

Upon arrival, all travellers MUST undergo a 14-day quarantine at this time until further advice.

Upon arrival, all crew MUST be confined to approved transportation and approved confinement facility.

Airlines MUST provide to relevant health authority

Submitted by each arriving flight:

- General Flight Declaration
- Immediate report of illnesses during journey
- Full travel history for each individual
- Full medical logs (for passengers and workers)

General submission from each operating Airline and any update or changes as needed:

- COVID-19 specific measures enforced (social distancing, mask, hygiene etc.)
- Cleaning and sanitization protocols, cleaning and disinsection certificates.
- General Outbreak Management Plan of the Airline/Operator.

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