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Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) updates the regulations to enter Thailand

Starting from April 1, 2022, the pretravel testing requirement for international arrivals will be lifted for all the entry schemes.

Other new rules will also be implemented.

Following, we summarize the updated conditions and requirements to enter Thailand under all the available schemes, starting from April 1, 2022 (as provided on the TAT website).

The **Test & Go Program** allows fully vaccinated travelers* from any country in the world to visit Thailand quarantine-free, provided that an RT-PCR Covid Test carried out on day of arrival and an Antigen Self-Test Kit carried out on day 5 of their stay result negative. Travelers are required to report/record the result via the MorChana application or another specified application.


The **Sandbox Program** (5 days) consists of the possibility for fully vaccinated travelers* from any country in the world to enjoy travel activities within a Sandbox destination throughout 5 days, provided that the PCR Covid-Test took on the day of arrival results negative. They are not allowed to stay overnight in any other places, so they must return to their prearranged accommodation on a nightly basis. An Antigen Self-Test Kit is carried out on day 5. After receiving a negative test result, travelers can obtain a 'Release Form' and continue their journey domestically.

The destinations provided within the range of the Sandbox Program are the following:

- Bang Lamung, Pattaya, Si Racha, Si Chang, and Sattahip – only Na Jomtien and Bang Saray – in Chon Buri province;
- Ko Chang in Trat province, in addition to Krabi, Phang-Nga, Phuket, and Ko Samui/Ko Pha-ngan/Ko Tao.
- The Sandbox Extension Program between Phuket, Phang-Nga, Krabi, and Ko Samui/Ko Pha-ngan/Ko Tao, where Sandbox travelers can travel within these destinations during the first 5 days in Thailand.

* Travelers are considered to be fully vaccinated after two doses of any vaccine approved for use by Thai authorities (namely Oxford/Astra Zeneca, Moderna, Pfizer /BioNTech, Janssen (Johnson & Johnson), Sinopharm (Beijing), and Sinovac).

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The **Alternative Quarantine (AQ)** scheme or *Happy Quarantine Nationwide* provides that travelers from any country in the world are eligible to enter Thailand, regardless their vaccination status. Travelers will have to undergo at least 5 days quarantine in a government-approved facility of their choice. PCR tests will be carried out on day 0 or 1 and day 4 or 5. If negative, completed the required quarantine period, travelers are free to go anywhere in Thailand.

General remarks:

International arrivals under any of the current three entry schemes – TEST & GO, Sandbox, and Alternative Quarantine (AQ) – will be allowed to enter Thailand without the need to show proof of a negative RT-PCR test within 72 hours of travel.

After having completed the required mandatory stay within a Sandbox destination, or the mandatory quarantine in a government-approved facility, travelers are free to go anywhere in Thailand, provided that the ATK self-test or the last RT-PCR Covid test is also negative.

While in Thailand, travelers are advised to strictly follow the standard, good personal hygiene practices; such as wearing a mask in public, maintaining hand hygiene (washing with soap and water or using hand sanitizer), and keeping a physical distance of at least 1 meter from others.

Travelers who are experiencing COVID-like symptoms should get tested. If testing positive they must get appropriate medical treatment. Those with COVID-19 testing appointments must get tested.

All travelers must download and install the **MorChana** application, and set it on at all times for COVID-19 precautionary measures. Please visit the official website of the Tourism Authority of Thailand: <https://www.tatnews.org/>, for additional updates and further details (such as entry requirements for children, and consequences of a positive RT-PCR test result).

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Requirements summary:

Test & Go Program

Pre-arrival requirements

A Thailand Pass (application via <https://tp.consular.go.th>) - Travelers can submit an application not earlier than 60 days prior to their scheduled departure date.

An insurance policy with coverage no less than USD 20,000 (Thais and foreign expatriates under Thailand's national healthcare coverage are exempt from this requirement).

A proof of prepayment for 1 night of accommodation at a government-approved hotel, such as SHA Extra Plus (SHA++), AQ, OQ, or AHQ on Day 1, and the expenses for 1 RT-PCR tests on Day 0 and 1 Antigen Self-Test Kit (self-ATK) on Day 5. The prepayment for Day 0 must include accommodation, a test, and a prearranged transfer from the airport to the hotel. On Day 0, they must stay within the room for the RT-PCR test result.

A Certificate of COVID-19 Vaccination/Recovery - Everyone 18 years of age and older must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 with an approved vaccine at least 14 days before traveling to Thailand.

On arrival requirements and Stay

All travelers must undergo the 'entry screening', including a body temperature check at the point of entry.

Present the required documents to the Communicable Disease Control officers to carry out the checks. Provided that all documents are in order, the officers will then affix the Quarantine Form with the official seal of Thailand's Department of Disease Control, along with instructions on either to undergo a quarantine or mandatory stay (Test & Go).

Travelers can then proceed to Immigration. As well as going through the Immigration procedures, travelers must also present their copy of the affixed Quarantine Form and passport to the Immigration officer to carry out the checks.





Proceed to the prearranged accommodation or medical facility to undergo the first RT-PCR test. The trip must be by a prearranged vehicle on a sealed route. Then, all travelers must wait for the test result within the hotel only. Travelers under 6 years of age, traveling with parents, can have a saliva test.

If testing is negative for COVID-19, travelers are free to go anywhere in Thailand. However, they will be provided with 1 Antigen Self-Test Kit for a self-test on Day 5 and be required to report/record the result via the MorChana application or another specified application.

All travelers must download and install the MorChana application, set it on at all times for COVID-19 precautionary measures, and record the result on Day 5 in the application.

The self-ATK on Day 5 will not be required if the traveler's length of stay is less than 5 nights or his/her scheduled international departure date out of Thailand is on Day 5 or before.

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Requirements summary:

Sandbox Program

Pre-arrival requirements

A Thailand Pass (application via <https://tp.consular.go.th/>).

An insurance policy with coverage no less than USD 20,000 (Thais and foreign expatriates under Thailand's national healthcare coverage are exempt from this requirement).

A confirmed payment for at least a 5-day stay at an approved accommodation, such as a SHA++ hotel, within the eligible Sandbox destinations

A proof of prepayment for 1 RT-PCR test on Day 0 and 1 Antigen Self-Test Kit (self-ATK) on Day 5;

- Krabi, Phang-Nga, and Phuket: Travelers can reserve and prepay for the RT-PCR test via www.thailandpsas.com (2,100 Baht/test);
- Surat Thai (Ko Samui, Ko Pha-ngan, and Ko Tao): Travellers can book and prepay for the RT-PCR test when booking and prepaying for accommodation at SHA++ hotels (2,200 Baht/test). The test on Day 0 will be conducted at Samui International Airport;
- For travelers under the Sandbox Extension program, as well as travelers to Chon Buri (Bang Lamung, Pattaya, Si Racha, Si Chang, and Sattahip – only Na Jomtien and Bang Saray) and Trat (Ko Chang), please contact your hotels for more information.

A Certificate of COVID-19 Vaccination/Recovery - everyone 18 years of age and older must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 with an approved vaccine at least 14 days before traveling to Thailand.

On arrival requirements and Stay

All travelers must undergo the 'entry screening', including a body temperature check at the point of entry.

Present the required documents to the Communicable Disease Control officers to carry out the checks. Provided that all documents are in order, the officers will then affix the Quarantine Form with the official seal of Thailand's Department of Disease Control, along with instructions on either to undergo a quarantine or mandatory stay (Sandbox).

Provided that all are in order, travelers will then be allowed to proceed to a prearranged sealed transfer to the reserved hotel. Travelers must undergo the first RT-PCR test on the day of arrival (each hotel has its procedure: testing before arriving at the facility or on-site at the facility). If receiving a negative RT-PCR test result, travelers can enjoy travel activities within a Sandbox destination throughout the 5 days:

- Travelers to Krabi, Phang-Nga, or Phuket can change accommodation twice within the first 5 days (can book 2 different hotels) within the province
- Travelers to Ko Samui, Ko Pha-ngan, and Ko Tao can change accommodation 3 times within the first 5 days (can book 3 different hotels), or they can choose to book 3 different hotels on Ko Samui alone.

On Day 5, travelers must undergo the self-ATK. After receiving a negative test result, travelers can obtain a 'Release Form' and continue their journey domestically.

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Requirements summary:

Alternative Quarantine

Pre-arrival requirements

A Thailand Pass (application via <https://tp.consular.go.th/>).

An insurance policy with coverage no less than USD 20,000 (Thais and foreign expatriates under Thailand's national healthcare coverage are exempt from this requirement).

A confirmed payment for an Alternative Quarantine (AQ) accommodation or similar government-approved facility. Foreign nationals must also have proof of payment for the required RT-PCR tests to be carried out on day 0 and on day 4 or day 5.

On arrival requirements and Stay

All travelers must undergo the 'entry screening', including body temperature check at the point of entry (air/land/water).

Present the required documents to the Immigration/Health Control officer to carry out the checks, then proceed through the Immigration procedures.

Then proceed to undergo the 5-days quarantine.

Undergo RT-PCR COVID-19 tests on Day 0-1 and Day 4-5.