[IMPORTANT] All travellers (including Korean nationals) entering Korea must present negative COVID-19 (PCR) test result

Submission of negative COVID-19 (PCR) test result during entry into Korea

Enter Korea via airport				
	Applicable to	Effective date	Exceptions	
Submission of negative COVID-19 PCR test result issued within 72 hours of departure	ALL nationals (Koreans and foreigners)	15 July 2021 (KST)	▷Infants and children under the age of 6 (as of entry date)	
	※Failure to submit negative COVID-19 (PCR) test result will result in denial of boarding at departure airport		▷Korean nationals with quarantine exemption certificate issued for the purpose of attending funeral.	

*It was previously announced that Alien Registration Card (ARC) holders who left Korea from 01 June 2020 onwards and who wish to re-enter Korea are required to have a re-entry permit and written medical diagnosis issued within 48 hours of departure. With effect from 08 January 2021 (KST), the requirement of negative COVID-19 PCR test result issued within 72 hours of departure will supersede the requirement of written medical diagnosis. This will apply to ARC holders who received the Medical Examination Exemption Certificate from the local immigration office in Korea.

Enter Korea via seaport				
Submission of negative	Applicable to	Effective date		
COVID-19 PCR test result	ALL nationals (Koreans and foreigners)			
issued within 72 hours of boarding the vessel bound for Korea	※Failure to submit negative COVID-19 (PCR) test result will result in denial of boarding at departure airport	15 July 2021 (KST)		

Things to take note of:

• Proof of a negative COVID-19 test (PCR) must be presented to the airline personnel when the foreign passenger boards an aircraft. Boarding will not be permitted for foreign passengers without a negative COVID-19 test result issued within 72 hours. **The test result should be submitted to the quarantine authorities upon their arrival in the ROK.**

• The test result issued from the testing organization agency at the country of departure must be in English (or Korean). If the result cannot be issued in English or Korean, supplemental translated certificates certifying the translation can be submitted along with the PCR test result. The test result certificate should include information such as the name of traveler (as per passport), passport number (or date of birth), name of test taken, test result, date of application (test date), date of issuance of the test result, seal(stamp or sign) of the issuing authority...etc

 If the passenger received the test result by email, he/she is required to print it and present it to the airline personnel and quarantine authorities in hard copy.

• Passengers transiting in Korea without an entry (i.e no immigration clearance) are not required to provide a negative COVID-19 PCR test result.

• Passengers who travel from Country A and transit in Country B before arriving in Korea are required to provide a negative COVID-19 PCR test result issued in:

- Country A if they have transited in Country B without an entry (i.e no immigration clearance at Country B) OR
- Country B if they have transited in Country B with an entry (i.e immigration clearance at Country B)