[Revision to Cambodia's Entry Requirement During Covid-19]

Due to the recent increase in Covid-19 cases in Cambodia and to curb the spread of Covid-19, Cambodia's Ministry of Health (MOH) announced the following measures for entry into Cambodia, effective from 12 December 2020.

- a) Temporary suspension of Sponsorship Mechanism for short-term travellers to Cambodia.
- b) All travellers to Cambodia, as per below, will be subjected to 14-day compulsory quarantine upon arrival.

1. All foreign business travellers

2. Cambodian nationals, who hold a Cambodian passport or a foreign passport

- c) To facilitate faster tracing of individuals who have been in contact with Covid-19 patients, details of travellers who are tested positive for Covid-19 will be immediately made known on MOH website or social media site.
- All Cambodian nationals returning to Cambodia are required to have <u>Covid-19 testing</u> <u>certificate (in English)</u>, indicating <u>negative result</u> and issued within <u>72 hours prior to</u> <u>departure</u>.

1. All foreign business travellers

Before Departure to Cambodia

The following documents are required:

- a) Valid business visa issued by the Cambodia embassy/Honorary Consulates
- b) <u>Covid-19 testing certificate (in English)</u>, indicating <u>negative result</u> and issued within <u>72</u> hours prior to departure.

%For more specific requirement on testing certificate, please refer to ANNEX

- c) Covid-19 Insurance
 - Travellers are required to have Covid-19 insurance, which can be purchased from FORTE Insurance company. (USD90, with validity of 20 days, https://www.forteinsurance.com/covid-19-insurance/)

After Arrival in Cambodia

- A valid business visa, Covid-19 test certificate (indicating negative result and issued within 72 hours prior to departure) and Covid-19 insurance must be produced at immigration in Cambodia.
- b) A <u>deposit of USD2,000</u> is required. The deposit will be used to cover the 14-day hotel quarantine expenses (USD60~75 per night), PCR testing fee, transportation from airport to hotel, and medical treatment fee (<u>see here</u>) in the event if travellers is infected with Covid-19. (Deposit balance, if have, will be returned to traveller within 3 days after the end of quarantine period).
- c) Once documents are confirmed, travellers will need to undergo PCR testing. After the test, travellers will be escorted to MOH's designated hotel and proceed with <u>14-day</u> compulsory quarantine.
- d) Travellers must undergo second PCR testing on the 13th day of quarantine period.
 (However, if there is suspected case of Covid-19 infection during quarantine period, additional PCR testing will be imposed if required).

2. Cambodian nationals, who hold a Cambodian passport or a foreign passport

Before Departure to Cambodia

The following documents are required:

- a) Valid <u>Khmer "K" visa</u> issued by the Cambodia embassy
 ※For Cambodian nationals who are holders of a foreign passport only
- b) <u>Covid-19 testing certificate (in English)</u>, indicating <u>negative result</u> and issued within <u>72</u>
 <u>hours prior to departure</u>.
 *For more specific requirement on testing certificate, please refer to ANNEX

After Arrival in Cambodia

- a) Deposit and insurance purchase are not required.
- b) A valid visa (%For Cambodian nationals who are holders of a foreign passport only) and Covid-19 test certificate (indicating negative result and issued within 72 hours prior to departure) must be produced at immigration in Cambodia.
- c) Once documents are confirmed, Cambodian nationals will need to undergo PCR testing. After the test, Cambodian nationals will be escorted to MOH's designated quarantine facility and proceed with <u>14-day compulsory quarantine</u>. Quarantine expenses at designated facility are waived for Cambodian nationals by MOH.
- d) For Cambodian nationals who request to stay at hotel for quarantine, hotel stay costs and other expenses will be borne by the individual.
- e) Cambodian nationals must undergo second PCR testing on the 13th day of quarantine period. (However, if there is suspected case of Covid-19 infection during quarantine period, additional PCR testing will be imposed if required).

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	General foreign business	Cambodian nationals with
	travellers (stay of more than 14	Cambodian passport or foreign
	days)	passport
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Payment Guarantee	~	~
Covid-19 Negative Test	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
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hours prior to departure)		
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		foreign passport only
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Deposit (USD2,000)	\bigcirc	×
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+ 13 th day PCR test		

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ANNEX

A) Pre-flight Covid-19 Test/Medical Certificate

- 1. All business travellers and Cambodian nationals must take pre-flight Covid-19 test and have medical certificate indicating negative result.
- 2. Pre-flight Covid-19 test must be done via nasal swab, not saliva testing.
- 3. Medical certificate must be issued within <u>72 hours prior to departure</u>, not arrival. And it is <u>72</u> hours from time of test result issued, not time of test administered. Therefore, if your flight is on Monday morning, 11.00am, your test result must be issued on Friday morning, from 11.00am and above. Bonus point if you can get your test result issued within 24~48 hours, just in case your flight got delayed suddenly.
- Medical certificate to be <u>computer-printed if possible</u>, but <u>doctor's signature and stamp must</u> <u>be hand-signed</u>. We heard that hand-written medical certificates are not being accepted, and you may be rejected for plane boarding or deported on arrival.
- 5. Request your doctor to sign in blue ink if possible, to avoid looking like it's printed signature.
- Medical certificate must be in <u>English</u> and must indicate <u>"NASAL SWAB"</u> and <u>"NEGATIVE"</u>. Statement like "No Covid-19" is not accepted.
 - Inform and request your doctor on all the above before taking the PCR test.
 - Prepare a few copies of medical certificate for submission to airlines, immigration etc., where required.

B) Covid-19 Insurance

- 1. Pre-flight insurance purchase for Covid-19 is required for all Foreign Business Travellers.
- Purchase from Forte Insurance company is highly recommended (online purchase via credit card).
- 3. Print and prepare a few copies of insurance document for submission to airlines, immigration etc., where required.

C) USD2,000 Deposit

- 1. Deposit of USD2,000 is required for all Foreign Business Travellers, after arrival in Cambodia.
- Deposit can be paid via cash or credit card. However, <u>cash payment</u> is highly recommended in case your credit card cannot be read by the ATMs at the airport or if machine is down. Or standby some cash just in case.
- 3. Note that some banks may charge an admin fee of USD30.
- 4. After paying the deposit, a receipt will be given. Keep the receipt safe with you at all times because you need it to get your deposit back.

D) After-Arrival PCR Testing and Mandatory Quarantine

- 1. All foreign business travellers and Cambodian nationals must undergo <u>PCR testing</u> after arrival in Cambodia.
- 2. All foreign business travellers and Cambodian nationals are to wait at MOH's designated hotel/quarantine facility for PCR test result.
- Regardless of test results, all foreign business travellers and Cambodian nationals will be subjected to <u>14-day compulsory quarantine</u>, and <u>second PCR testing</u> on the 13th day of quarantine.

Summary

The revision this time has brought about a significant number of changes to the entry requirement for Cambodia. Please always check for the latest updates with embassy/honorary consulates, as well as the airline company you are using, once more before departure.

After confirmation, please prepare the necessary documents accordingly. We also recommend to have a copy of official statements on Covid-19 requirements released by Cambodia's MFAIC (Ministry of Foreign Affairs & International Cooperation), Ministry of Health, or SSCA (State Secretariat of Civil Aviation) to show as proof and for explanation to airlines or immigration etc. if required.

Once again, we urge everyone to be **Socially Responsible** – Wear Mask, Social Distance, and Stay Home if you are required to.

Website Link(s):

- 1. 在日本カンボジア王国大使館 Royal Embassy of Cambodia in Japan http://www.cambodianembassy.jp/web2/?page_id=4377&lang=en
- 2. カンボジア外務省 Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Cambodia https://www.mfaic.gov.kh/covid-19
- 3. 在カンボジア日本国大使館 Embassy of Japan in Cambodia https://www.kh.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_ja/b_000197.html