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Resuming Entry Approvals For Vaccinated Work Pass Holders And Their Dependants

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From 10 August 2021, work pass holders and their dependants with travel history to higher risk countries/regions¹ can start applying for entry approval, on the condition that they must be fully vaccinated² before arrival in Singapore³. This is part of the Ministry of Manpower's (MOM) plans to resume entry approvals for work pass holders and their dependants in a safe and calibrated manner.

2 Work pass holders and their dependants who are approved for entry will need to show documentary proof of their full vaccination status to the airlines before boarding and at the checkpoint upon arrival in Singapore. Those who are unable to produce the necessary documentation will be denied boarding or entry. All pass holders and their dependants will also be subjected to the prevailing health protocols in Singapore.

3 Individuals who have received their vaccinations overseas must update their vaccination records in the National Immunisation Registry (NIR) within two weeks of completion of their Stay-Home Notice (SHN) in Singapore. To do so, they will need to show documentary proof of their overseas vaccination, and a positive serology test result taken at one of the Ministry of Health's designated private healthcare providers. Failure to produce valid vaccination documents or take the required serology test may result in the suspension and revocation of work pass privileges.

4 The vaccination condition for entry will not apply to dependants aged below 12 years old. Unvaccinated dependants aged between 12 to less than 18 years old can enter without proof of vaccination, on the condition that they take their first vaccination using a PSAR vaccine within one month upon arrival in Singapore, and the second final vaccination within one month of the first dose. Work pass holders and dependants who are medically ineligible for vaccination should appeal to be exempted from the vaccination condition for entry, supported by a doctor's memo, before applying for entry approval.

Work Pass Holders from CMP sectors and Migrant Domestic Workers

5 The vaccination condition for entry will not apply to migrant domestic workers, S Pass and work permit holders from the Construction, Marine Shipyard and Process (CMP) sectors. There are on-going industry initiatives in these sectors with tightened end-to-end safe management processes to bring these workers into Singapore safely and minimise the risk of COVID-19 importation.

6 Apart from the on-going industry initiatives, MOM will only accept new entry applications for these work pass holders from higher risk countries/regions at a later date, as rescheduling efforts are still ongoing for those affected by the tightening of entry approvals earlier this year.

7 With the steady increase in local and international vaccination rates, Singapore can gradually reopen its borders and allow more workers to enter while minimising the public health risk to the community, and we will review our entry requirements accordingly. While we cannot prevent imported infections completely, high vaccination rates coupled with public health defences will help guard against major outbreaks.

FOOTNOTE

1. As of 6 August 2021, this refers to all countries/regions except Brunei, Hong Kong, Mainland China (including Jiangsu Province), Macao, New Zealand and Taiwan. The vaccination condition for entry will not apply to work pass holders and their dependants who remained in these lower risk countries/ regions within the last 21 days prior to arriving in Singapore.
 2. An individual is considered fully-vaccinated two weeks after he or she has received the full regimen of Pfizer-BioNTech/ Comirnaty, Moderna or WHO EUL vaccines. Please refer to [MOH's website](#) for the latest definition.
 3. As announced by the Ministry of Health earlier, all long term pass holders including work pass holders and their dependants are not allowed entry into Singapore if they have recent travel history (including transit) within the last 21 days to India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Myanmar. Entry approvals for those from Indonesia are also limited.
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