

Health Protocol for Arrivals to Sri Lanka Tourism Travel Bio Bubble

Valid for arrivals from 11th May 2021

Applies to International Tourists visiting Sri Lanka under tourist visa and optional for dual citizens, valid resident visa holders, Sri Lankan citizens who opt to come under the tourism route **irrespective of the vaccination status.** No prior approval required from Ministry of Foreign Affairs or Civil Aviation Authority. There is no minimum duration of stay in Sri Lanka.

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Prior to boarding travelers are required to:

- a. Have a valid tourist visa before boarding flight. All visas must be applied online. Visit eta.gov.lk. Before applying for visa ensure you have the following.
 - i. A pre-confirmed booking at a Level 1 'Safe & Secure' hotel for up to 14 days; depending on the duration of your stay. Hotel booking could be made directly with the hotel or through travel Agent or OTA. Visitors allowed to move within L1 hotels and use all facilities of the hotel. Please visit www.srilanka.travel/helloagain.
 - ii. Obtain COVID-19 local travel insurance cover for USD 12 for a policy of USD 50,000 for a period of one month is mandatory
 - iii. Pay for PCR tests (USD 40 per PCR test) depending on the number of days of stay.
 1. If your stay is 5 or more days, pay for 2 PCR tests, on arrival and exit PCR.
 2. However if the stay is less than 5 days, no exit PCR required.
 3. Children below 2 years are exempted from PCR testing. However if the parents/guardians develop symptoms or result in positive PCR test reports children will undergo PCR tests.
 4. Children between 2-12 years undergo only exit PCR tests
- b. Have negative PCR test done within 72 hours before boarding flight.
- c. Airport transfers to be arranged by either the respective Certified Safe & Secure L1 hotel or Certified Safe & Secure travel agent.

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At the airport produce the following:

- a. Negative COVID-19 PCR report (English) taken within 72 hours before flight
- b. Completed Health Declaration Form

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Stay at a Certified Safe & Secure L1 hotel/s for up to first 14 days of the visit and undergo on-arrival PCR test. Travelers are allowed to stay at any number of Certified Safe & Secure L1 hotels and permitted to use all facilities of the hotel upon an on arrival negative PCR test report. Travelers are also allowed to visit approved tourist sites in a bio bubble. Visit www.srilanka.travel/helloagain.

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Perform the second PCR

- a. If stay is more than 14 days – perform second PCR on 11th -14th day of arrival. Upon negative results for both PCRs travelers are allowed to leave the bio-bubble and the respective L1 hotel doctor will issue a discharge document upon verifying the PCR test results. However, if the traveler is identified as an immediate close contact of a COVID 19 positive, the bio-bubble period will be extended as decided by the L1 hotel doctor in consultation with the area medical officers of Health. Once travelers leave the bio bubble and go into the community, they will be subject to the general health guidelines of the country.
- b. If stay is between 5-14 days – perform the PCR depending on the date of departure (i.e. 24-48 hours before departure)
- c. If stay is less than 5 days - no exit PCR required

