



**ASIAN TIGERS GROUP - COVID-19 IMPACT ASSESSMENT**  
11 September 2020

**NOTES:**

- 1) This grid serves as a pulse check of our present assessment of the operational impact due Covid-19.
- 2) Like many other countries, precautionary measures are taken to support origin/destination service only after the 14-days quarantine/self-quarantine period if EE has travelled to affected countries.
- 3) Freight, both air and sea, are limited in schedules and especially so, to affected countries. Consequently, the difficulty and delay in securing booking, and also the price hikes due limited supply and strong demand.
- 4) Due lock-down, partial or full, in some countries, both in/out transportation will be impacted. Understandably, we will not be able to advise the estimated time it will take to customs clear the shipment and the associated port storage, demurrage and detention.

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1	Cambodia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with 14-days quarantine or similar	Effective today, all foreign passengers are required to deposit \$3,000 upon arrival at the airport to pay for the virus prevention services.  For full details, please see: <a href="https://www.khmertimeskh.com/50732611/foreigners-to-be-charged-for-c-19-quarantine-tests/">https://www.khmertimeskh.com/50732611/foreigners-to-be-charged-for-c-19-quarantine-tests/</a>
2	China (mainland)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	From March 27, no foreigners are allowed to enter mainland China using existing visa's. Foreigners who really need to come to China to engage in 'necessary' activities such as economy, trade, science and technology, epidemic prevention, cooperation and exchange, as well as those who have urgent humanitarian reasons, can try to apply for a new visa from Chinese embassies. <b>Update:</b> the list of countries that expatriates and their families are allowed to re-enter China from is growing each week. Those with valid visa's are able to return to China without an invitation (PU) letter, however others with expired visa's need to re-apply for a visa using an invitation (PU) letter.
3	Hong Kong SAR (China)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with 14-days quarantine or similar	The Hong Kong SAR Government restricts any Hubei residents, and non-Hong Kong residents who have visited the Hubei Province in the past 14 days upon arrival from entering Hong Kong since January 27, 2020.  With effect from March 25, 2020 until further notice: - All non-Hong Kong residents coming from overseas countries and regions by plane will be denied entry to Hong Kong; and - Non-Hong Kong residents coming from the Mainland, Macao and Taiwan will be denied entry to Hong Kong if they have been to any overseas countries and regions in the past 14 days  <b>Compulsory Quarantine</b> Inbound travellers from the Mainland, Macao or Taiwan (including Hong Kong and non-Hong Kong residents) have to stay at designated places (home or other accommodation) for compulsory quarantine apart from the exempted persons under the "Compulsory Quarantine of Certain Persons Arriving at Hong Kong Regulation".  Please see detailed updates at <a href="https://www.chp.gov.hk/en/index.html">https://www.chp.gov.hk/en/index.html</a>
4	Indonesia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with 14-days quarantine or similar	Must obtain a health certificate with proper swab test done from departing country within 7 days of arrival and also a possible 14-day quarantine could still be enforced. The aforementioned for resident visa holders and nationals only. VOA (visa on arrival) has been suspended for all tourists entering Indonesia for now. If planning on visiting you must apply for a visa in advance from embassies outside Indonesia.
5	Japan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with 14-days quarantine or similar	The government is currently denying entry to foreigners from 146 countries and territories with exceptions for certain occupations. However from September 1st, the re-entry of all residential status holders can be allowed on the condition that they take PCR virus tests and quarantine themselves for 14 days. Returning residents are asked to arrange their own transport from the airport to avoid using public transportation. The measures are similar to those currently taken for Japanese travelers. Link to more info: <a href="https://www.mofa.go.jp/ica/tna/page4e_001074.html">https://www.mofa.go.jp/ica/tna/page4e_001074.html</a>
6	Malaysia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Malaysia is currently in the seventh phase of the Recovery Movement Control Order (RMCO), which is set to end on December 31. Almost all economic sectors and business activities have resumed business, subject to conditions and a standard operating procedure (SOP).  <b>Citizens of countries with over 150,000 cases barred from entering Malaysia. It will ONLY allow expatriates, professional visit pass-holders, permanent residents as well as foreign spouses of Malaysian citizens from 23 countries to enter the country. Subject to prior approval from the Immigration department and 14-days quarantine.</b>

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7	Myanmar	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	No	Official announcement airport closed upto September 30. New local virus spread started from August 20 and transmitted from Rakhine state, the spread is much higher as with the first spread around 50 to 100 cases a day. Capital Nay Pyi Daw is under complete lockdown and only may enter, after a 2-week quarantine. We expect this will continue for few weeks as the government take strict actions. Many townships are under lockdown and citizen from Yangon and Rakhine state are not allowed to visit shan state or Mandalay. All teashops, bars, restaurants, gyms and other public places are closed and gatherings of not more than 15 people is allowed. However we are still in full operations but air shipments can only fly out on a weekly not daily basis. Sea shipments no problem for incoming and outgoing. The office staff is working from office or home and be of service to all your questions and requests.
8	Philippines	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations and 14 days quarantine	Effective September 1, 2020 till September 30, 2020, Manila is now placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ). Public transport is now operational with stricter health protocols such as wearing of face mask, face shield, social distancing and sanitizing. Our office is now fully operational. Only selected establishments are now allowed to operate. All incoming Filipino and foreigners are required to undergo swab testing upon entry.
9	Singapore	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Testing regime will apply to all incoming travellers. Subject to restrictions in place, the quarantine requirement except for incoming travellers from Brunei and New Zealand will either be served at home (SHN (Stay-Home Notice)) or at SHN Designated Facility (SDF) where charges will apply. The duration of quarantine will either be 7 or 14 days subject to origin country ( <a href="https://www.ica.gov.sg/covid-19/ArrivalSG">https://www.ica.gov.sg/covid-19/ArrivalSG</a> ). As the global situation is evolving, it is very important that you check Immigration requirements before flight.
10	South Korea	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with 14-days quarantine or similar	Starting April 1st, South Korea will enforce a two-week mandatory coronavirus quarantine for all entrants from overseas regardless of country or citizenship.
11	Taiwan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with 14-days quarantine or similar	Taiwan CECC announced social distancing measures on April 1st, 1.5 meters indoors and 1 meter outdoors must be observed. Travel ban for transit passenger has been extended till further notice. Mandatory to wear mask when taking public transportation, a fine will follow if fail to do so. Shipper should arrive 14 days in advance for the quarantine, before they can accept delivery.
12	Thailand	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	The Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand (CAAT) announced on 29th June 2020 that 11 groups of people will be allowed to enter the country effective from 1st July 2020: (1) Thai nationals. (2) Individuals who are invited by the Prime Minister or authorities accountable for resolving the state of emergency. (3) Foreigners who are a spouse, parent or child of a Thai national. (4) Foreigners who hold a valid certificate of residence (permanent resident of Thailand). (5) Foreigners who hold a work permit or are allowed to work in Thailand, including their spouse and children. (6) Carriers of necessary goods (must leave the country immediately after the work is completed). (7) Crew members who are required to travel to Thailand on a necessary mission (must have a clear scheduled time of departure). (8) Foreigners who are students of educational institutions approved by Thai authorities, including their parents or guardians. (9) Foreigners who are in need of medical treatment in Thailand (except for COVID-19) & their carers. (10) Individuals in diplomatic missions, including their spouse, parents and children. (11) Foreigners who are permitted to enter the country under a special arrangement with a foreign country. Important Notes • Strict requirements will still be in place for foreign nationals seeking to enter Thailand. Eligible foreign nationals must submit the application at the Royal Thai Embassy/Consulate to apply for "Certificate of Entry into the Kingdom of Thailand" at least 10 business days before the date of intended departure. Each application will be reviewed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in consultation with the Board of Investment and the Ministry of Labour on a case by case basis. Please contact the respective Embassy Consulate for more details.
13	Vietnam	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Very limited	Vietnam is now allowing foreign 'experts' to fly into Vietnam and go into a 17-day quarantine. It is a difficult and complicated process though and only a few have been successful. 1,500 have entered and there is a waiting list of around 25,000.

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