Entry and Stay Conditions for Travellers

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Health Entry and Stay Conditions for Visitors to Seychelles

	Procedures and Conditions
Pre-Travel	 Entry from All Countries¹. Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure. Complete Health Travel Authorisation. Valid Travel & Health insurance to cover potential COVID-19 related costs (quarantine, isolation, treatment). Entry/stay conditions will not be affected by COVID-19 Vaccination status; but visitors are strongly encouraged to be fully immunised before travel.
Arrival and Stay	 Stay in any certified tourism establishments for first 2 weeks of stay. Need not take a routine Day 5 surveillance PCR test². No minimum length of stay in first establishment.
Notes	 Conditions for stay for Children up to age 17, regardless of their vaccination status, will be as for the parent/guardian they are accompanying. All visitors must report any illness at any point during stay to hotel management and public health authority for further evaluation. Anyone tested positive, and/or assessed to be a close contact, will be required to undergo Isolation or Quarantine as per National protocols.

Health Entry and Stay Conditions for Seychellois, Permanent Residents and Gainful-Occupation-Permit (GOP) Holders

	Seychellois & Permanent Residents	GOP-Holders
Pre-Travel	 May enter from any country. Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure from country of origin. Complete Health Travel Authorisation. 	 May enter from any country. Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure from country of origin. Complete Health Travel Authorisation. Cover for COVID-19-related health costs: testing, quarantine, isolation and treatment.
Arrival and Stay with Valid Proof of Vaccination ³	No quarantine required.	No quarantine required.
Arrival and Stay without Valid Proof of Vaccination	 Undergo 7 days homequarantine. Undergo a free Day 5 PCR test, which if negative, will allow completion of quarantine. 	 Undergo 7 days quarantine in an approved private quarantine facility or a certified tourism establishment. Undergo a free Day 5 PCR test, which if negative, will allow completion of quarantine.

Notes

- Conditions for stay for **Children** up to age 17 will be as for the parent/guardian they accompany.
- Dependents of GOP-holders will follow same procedures as the GOP-Holder.

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¹ As of 25 March 2021, the restrictions on entry of visitors who have been to South Africa within the 14 days preceding arrival in Seychelles, remains in force.

² COVID-19 testing will still be indicated for public health reasons, e.g. in individuals showing symptoms of COVID-19 illness, or contacts of known cases of COVID-19.

³ An individual is considered Fully Vaccinated where 2 weeks have lapsed from the time when he/she has taken all required doses of an approved COVID-19 vaccine.

- All individuals arriving in Seychelles must report any illness to their local health centre and/or public health authority, even if vaccinated.
- **Diplomats** follow entry conditions as for Seychellois.

Entry by Sea to Seychelles (by Yachts)

	Procedures and Conditions
Pre-Travel	 Apply by e-mail to pha@health.gov.sc for Health Travel Authorisation. Valid Travel & Health insurance to cover potential COVID-19 related costs (quarantine, isolation, treatment).
Arrival and Stay	 Spend at least 14 days at sea from last port of call. All crew and passengers should be without symptoms of COVID-19 during this period. No need for Arrival or Day 5 PCR test. Where clients or crew wish to disembark before completion of 14 days from last port of call, AND if: They undertake a COVID-19 PCR test (at cost) upon arrival, with results negative. OR they provide proof of completed COVID-19 vaccination.
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Notes:

- All visitors/crew must report any illness during stay to hotel management and/or public health authority for further evaluation.
- Vessels with Diplomatic and/or Military status may be given special conditions of entry.

Health Entry Conditions for Seafarers (by Flight⁴)

Procedures and Conditions
May enter from any country.
No pre-travel quarantine required.
 Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure from country of origin.
Complete Health Travel Authorisation.
 Valid Health insurance to cover any potential COVID-19 related costs.
No quarantine required on arrival.
 Directly board vessels and depart within 36h of arrival.
Where vessel is not in port, quarantine in interim in a private quarantine facility or a
certified tourism establishment for up to 7 days, with a day 5 test.
 Daily self-monitoring, with Rapid Antigen Test⁵ Surveillance aboard vessel.
 Any seafarer showing symptoms of COVID-19 illness during their stay/work must
report same to relevant supervisors and/or company doctor.
Any suspect cases must be immediately reported to Port Health using standard
health declaration forms.

⁴ Entry of Seafarers by sea requires additional discussions with the Public Health Authority.

⁵ Testing must be with WHO-Approved Antigen Rapid Diagnostic Tests, and be conducted by trained personnel.