

Health Entry and Stay Conditions for Travellers

Interim Conditions v3.5; with effect from 13 September 2021; Ministry of Health.

Key Changes from v3.4 – South Africa is removed from list of Restricted Countries; for remaining restricted countries, quarantine on arrival is shortened to 7 days, with day 5 PCR testing. All indicated day 5 testing for non-residents (including GOP-holders) will be at cost. Differentiation by vaccination status has been removed.

Visitors to Seychelles

	Procedures and Conditions ¹
Pre-Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Entry from All Countries, except Bangladesh, Brazil, India, Nepal and Pakistan.• Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure.• Complete Health Travel Authorisation at seychelles.govtas.com.• Valid Travel & Health insurance to cover COVID-19 related quarantine, isolation or 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stay in any certified tourism establishments.• Need <i>not</i> take a routine Day 5 surveillance PCR test².• No minimum length of stay in first establishment.
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visitors who have been in Bangladesh, Brazil, India, Nepal and/or Pakistan in preceding 14 days will not be permitted entry into Seychelles.• 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.• Diplomats on short-term official work-visits to Seychelles follow conditions as for Visitors.

Seychellois, Residents and their Dependents

	Procedures and Conditions
Pre-Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May enter from any country.• Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure from country of origin.• Complete Health Travel Authorisation.
Arrival and Stay	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No quarantine required, except when entering from Bangladesh, Brazil, India, Nepal or Pakistan (Restricted list of countries³).• Day 5 PCR test is required.• Where entering from a country in the restricted list: a <i>7-day quarantine</i> in an approved establishment or home-quarantine is required, with <i>day 5 PCR test</i>.
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conditions for Children up to age 17 will be as for their accompanying parent/guardian.• All individuals arriving in Seychelles must report any illness to their local health centre and/or public health authority, even if vaccinated.

Gainful-Occupation-Permit (GOP) Holders

	For Countries <i>not</i> on the Restricted list	For Countries <i>on</i> the Restricted list
Pre-Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May enter from any country, except countries on the restricted list.• Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure from country of origin.• Complete Health Travel Authorisation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Countries on the restricted list are Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Pakistan³.• Entry from Brazil is not allowed at present.• Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure from country of origin.

¹ Visitors are also advised to refer to Department of Tourism travel advisory at: <http://tourism.gov.sc/>.

² Conditional to stay and daily monitoring in a certified tourism establishment. COVID-19 testing may still be indicated for public health reasons, e.g. have symptoms of COVID-19 illness, or if close contacts of known cases of COVID-19.

³ Entry from restricted countries will be by chartered flights only.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cover for COVID-19-related health costs: testing, quarantine, isolation, treatment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Health Travel Authorisation. Cover for COVID-19-related health costs: testing, quarantine, isolation and treatment.
Arrival and Stay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No quarantine required. A day 5 PCR test⁴ (at client's/employers' cost). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A 7-day quarantine in an approved establishment or quarantine facility, with day 5 PCR test. Both quarantine and testing are at clients'/employers' cost.
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dependents of GOP-holders will follow same procedures as for the GOP-Holder. 	

Entry by Sea to Seychelles (by Yachts)

	Procedures and Conditions
Pre-Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply by e-mail to pha@health.gov.sc for Health Travel Authorisation. Valid Travel & Health insurance to cover potential COVID-19 related costs.
Arrival and Stay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. Earlier disembarkation is allowed provided all crew undertake a COVID-19 PCR test (at cost) upon arrival, with all results negative.
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All visitors/crew must report any illness during stay to hotel management and/or public health authority for further evaluation. Conditions for entry of diplomatic or military vessels will be based on discussions with Public Health Authority, through Department of Foreign Affairs.

Seafarers (by Flight⁵)

	Procedures and Conditions
Pre-Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May enter from any country, except for Brazil. However, seafarers wishing to enter from a country on the restricted list must follow conditions as for GOP-holders entering from these countries. 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.
Arrival and Stay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No quarantine required on arrival (except for arrivals from countries on the restricted list). Encouraged to directly board vessels and depart as soon as possible after arrival. Where there may be delays, a day 5 PCR test (at clients'/employers' cost) is indicated. For arrivals from countries on the restricted list, please refer to and follow as directed in section on GOP-holders arriving from countries on the restricted list. Daily surveillance as per protocol with Rapid Antigen Test⁶ aboard vessel is encouraged.
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any seafarer showing symptoms of COVID-19 illness during their stay/work must report it to relevant supervisors and/or company doctor. Any suspect cases must be immediately reported to Port Health using standard forms.

⁴ Encouraged to use certified private testing facilities for this test.

⁵ Entry of Seafarers by sea requires additional discussions with the Public Health Authority.

⁶ Testing must be with WHO/FDA-Approved Antigen Rapid Diagnostic Tests, and be conducted by trained personnel.