

# Health Entry and Stay Conditions for Travellers

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Key Changes from v3.3 – GOP-holders and dependents allowed entry from Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan (by charter flights), and South Africa (by commercial/charter), with quarantine on arrival.

## Visitors to Seychelles

|                  | Procedures and Conditions <sup>1</sup>   |
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| Pre-Travel       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Entry from All Countries, except Bangladesh, Brazil, India, Nepal, Pakistan and South Africa.</li><li>• Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure.</li><li>• Complete Health Travel Authorisation at <a href="http://seychelles.govtas.com">seychelles.govtas.com</a>.</li><li>• Valid Travel &amp; Health insurance to cover COVID-19 related quarantine, isolation or treatment.</li><li>• Entry/stay conditions will not be affected by COVID-19 Vaccination status; but visitors are strongly encouraged to be fully immunised before travel.</li></ul>  |
| Arrival and Stay | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stay in any certified tourism establishments.</li><li>• Need <i>not</i> take a routine Day 5 surveillance PCR test<sup>2</sup>.</li><li>• No minimum length of stay in first establishment.</li></ul>  |
| Notes            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Visitors who have been in Bangladesh, Brazil, India, Nepal, Pakistan and South Africa in preceding 14 days will not be permitted entry into Seychelles.</li><li>• Conditions for stay for children up to age 17, regardless of their vaccination status, will be as for the parent/guardian they are accompanying.</li><li>• All visitors must report any illness at any point during stay to hotel management and public health authority for further evaluation.</li><li>• Anyone tested positive, and/or assessed to be a close contact, will be required to undergo isolation or quarantine as per national protocols.</li><li>• Diplomats on short-term official work-visits to Seychelles follow conditions as for Visitors.</li></ul> |

## Seychellois, Residents and their Dependents

|  | Procedures and Conditions  |
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| Pre-Travel   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• May enter from any country.</li><li>• Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure from country of origin.</li><li>• Complete Health Travel Authorisation.</li></ul>  |
| Arrival and Stay <i>with Valid Proof of Vaccination</i> <sup>3</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No quarantine required, except when entering from Bangladesh, Brazil, India, Nepal, Pakistan or South Africa (Restricted list of countries).</li><li>• Where entering from a country in the restricted list: a <i>10-day quarantine</i> in an approved establishment or quarantine facility, with <i>day 7 PCR test</i>.</li></ul> |
| Arrival and Stay <i>without Proof of Vaccination</i>                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 7 days home-quarantine; Day 5 PCR test.</li><li>• Where from Bangladesh, Brazil, India, Nepal, Pakistan or South Africa: a <i>10-day quarantine</i> in an approved establishment or quarantine facility, with <i>day 7 PCR test</i>.</li></ul>   |
| Notes  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conditions for Children up to age 17 will be as for their accompanying parent/guardian.</li><li>• All individuals arriving in Seychelles must report any illness to their local health centre and/or public health authority, even if vaccinated.</li></ul>  |

## Gainful-Occupation-Permit (GOP) Holders

|            | For Countries not on the Restricted list   | For Countries on the Restricted list  |
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| Pre-Travel | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• May enter from any country, except countries on the restricted list.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Countries on the restricted list are Bangladesh<sup>4</sup>, India<sup>4</sup>, Nepal<sup>4</sup>, Pakistan<sup>4</sup> and South Africa<sup>5</sup>.</li></ul> |

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

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

<sup>3</sup> An individual is considered Fully Vaccinated only 2 weeks after taking all required doses of an approved COVID-19 vaccine, and presents a valid certificate of Vaccination against COVID-19.

<sup>4</sup> Entry from the named South Asian countries *must* be by charter flights.

<sup>5</sup> Entry from South Africa can be by commercial or charter flights.

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure from country of origin.</li> <li>Complete Health Travel Authorisation.</li> <li>Cover for COVID-19-related health costs: testing, quarantine, isolation, treatment.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entry from Brazil is <b>not</b> allowed at present.</li> <li>Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure from country of origin.</li> <li>Complete Health Travel Authorisation.</li> <li>Cover for COVID-19-related health costs: testing, quarantine, isolation and treatment.</li> </ul> |
| Arrival and Stay <i>with</i> Valid Proof of Vaccination    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No quarantine required.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A <i>10-day quarantine</i> in an approved establishment or quarantine facility, with <i>day 7 PCR test</i>.</li> <li>Need for an entry Rapid Antigen Test <i>within 48h</i> of entry into Seychelles.</li> <li>Both quarantine and testing will be at clients' cost.</li> </ul>                        |
| Arrival and Stay <i>without</i> Valid Proof of Vaccination | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Undergo 7 days quarantine, with a Day 5 PCR test, in an approved private quarantine facility or a certified establishment. Both quarantine and testing will be at clients' cost.</li> </ul>  |   |
| Notes  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dependents of GOP-holders will follow same procedures as the GOP-Holder.</li> </ul>  |   |

### Entry by Sea to Seychelles (by Yachts)

|                  | Procedures and Conditions   |
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| Pre-Travel       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply by e-mail to <a href="mailto:pha@health.gov.sc">pha@health.gov.sc</a> for Health Travel Authorisation.</li> <li>Valid Travel &amp; Health insurance to cover potential COVID-19 related costs.</li> </ul>  |
| Arrival and Stay | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spend at least 14 days at sea from last port of call.</li> <li>All crew and passengers should be without symptoms of COVID-19 during this period.</li> <li>No need for Arrival or Day 5 PCR test.</li> <li>Earlier disembarkation is allowed provided: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>They undertake a COVID-19 PCR test (at cost) upon arrival, with results negative.</li> <li>OR they provide proof of completed COVID-19 vaccination.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Notes            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All visitors/crew must report any illness during stay to hotel management and/or public health authority for further evaluation.</li> <li>Conditions for entry of diplomatic or military vessels will be based on discussions with Public Health Authority through Department of Foreign Affairs.</li> </ul>   |

### Seafarers (by Flight<sup>6</sup>)

|                  | Procedures and Conditions  |
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| Pre-Travel       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> <li>No pre-travel quarantine required.</li> <li>Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure from country of origin.</li> <li>Complete Health Travel Authorisation.</li> <li>Valid Health insurance to cover any potential COVID-19 related costs.</li> </ul>   |
| Arrival and Stay | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No quarantine required on arrival (except for arrivals from countries on the restricted list).</li> <li>Directly board vessels and depart within 36h of arrival.</li> <li>Where vessel is not in port, quarantine in interim in a private quarantine facility or approved establishment for up to 7 days, with a day 5 test. For arrivals from countries on the restricted list, please refer to section on GOP-holders arriving from countries on the restricted list.</li> <li>Daily surveillance as per protocol with Rapid Antigen Test<sup>7</sup> aboard vessel.</li> </ul> |
| Notes            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any seafarer showing symptoms of COVID-19 illness during their stay/work must report it to relevant supervisors and/or company doctor.</li> <li>Any suspect cases must be immediately reported to Port Health using standard forms.</li> </ul>  |

<sup>6</sup> Entry of Seafarers by sea requires additional discussions with the Public Health Authority.

<sup>7</sup> Testing must be with WHO/FDA-Approved Antigen Rapid Diagnostic Tests, and be conducted by trained personnel.