

Dear Key Appointment Holders and EA Personnel,

On 15 Nov 2021, the Government announced changes to border measures to align with evolving pandemic conditions in other countries/ regions.

Changes to classification of countries/regions

2 From 18 Nov 2021, 2359 hrs, travellers, including migrant domestic workers (MDWs)/ confinement nannies (CNs), with travel history from **Chile, Ethiopia, India, Myanmar, and Sri Lanka** in the last 14 days before entering Singapore will be placed in Category II. Key border measures for Category II are as follows:

- a. Produce a negative result from a pre-departure test (either a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test or professionally administered antigen rapid test (ART)) taken within two days before departure;
- b. Serve a 7-day stay-home-notice (SHN) at the declared accommodation¹; and
- c. Take a PCR test at end of SHN and exit SHN after completing the SHN duration if they test negative.

3 Those with travel history from **Morocco** in the last 14 days will be placed in Category III and will serve a 10-day SHN at the declared accommodation.

4 Please refer to the [SafeTravel website](#) for the full set of prevailing border measures for the different categories.

Extension of Vaccinated Travel Lane (VTL) to more countries including India and Indonesia

5 The **VTL will be extended to India and Indonesia from 29 Nov 2021, and to Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) from 6 Dec 2021**. Travellers under VTL will not be subjected to SHN on arrival. However, they will need to take an on-arrival PCR test and to self-isolate at a suitable place of residence until they receive a negative result for the on-arrival test.

6 Short-Term Visitors and Long-Term-Pass Holders, including MDWs and CNs, who wish to enter Singapore via a VTL will have to apply for the Vaccinated Travel Pass (VTP) and can only fly in on designated VTL flights. Applications for VTP will open on 22 Nov 2021 for travellers from India and Indonesia and on 29 Nov 2021 for travellers from Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the UAE. Please check the [SafeTravel website](#) for the VTP requirements and process.

7 MDWs/CNs from countries in the VTL can enter Singapore either under the VTL or under the Work Pass Holder General Lane (WPHGL). Please ensure that all VTL/WPHGL and Work Permit requirements are met. MDWs/CNs who do not have a valid entry approval or do not fulfil entry requirements will be denied entry into Singapore.

Pick up MDWs/CNs on time

8 EAs, employers and their MDWs/CNs have a collective duty to ensure that the entry approval and SHN requirements, where applicable, are fully complied with. EAs acting on behalf of employers must secure suitable SHN accommodation and make transport arrangements to pick up their MDWs/CNs at the checkpoints promptly. EAs should also ensure MDWs/CNs are promptly brought to their place of accommodation to serve their SHN (for Categories II/III travellers) or be isolated while waiting for the on-arrival test result (for VTL and Cat I travellers). They should not be left to wait at the port of entry for a prolonged period.

¹ For MDWs/CNs approved to continue their SHN at a SHN dedicated facility (SDF), MOM will refund the unused SHN days automatically within 3 months from their date of arrival.

9 EAs may face administrative actions, including imposition of demerit points, if their MDWs/CNs are left stranded at the port of entry for more than one hour after they have cleared immigration and collected their baggage.

10 Let's continue to keep Singapore safe.

Yours sincerely

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