



Federal Republic of Somalia

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Somalia COVID-19 Guidelines for International Travelers

The Federal Government of Somalia is closely and continuously monitoring the COVID-19 situation whilst assessing the rate of infection both nationally and internationally. We realize that Somalia is undergoing the third wave of COVID-19 infections.

Therefore, it is paramount to follow all guidelines & protocols that warrant the prevention and control of the disease. For this, the Ministry of Health and Human Service hereby declares that it will put into effect Somalia COVID-19 Guidelines for International Travelers to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Somalia.

Guidelines to control the spread of COVID-19 within Somalia:

The Federal Government of Somalia, whilst taking into account the concerned unfolding situation regarding the third wave of COVID-19, and directing the general population to adhere the Ministry of Health's guidelines & protocols for COVID-19 by following the below instructions:

1. To stop and/or reduce all public meetings that are not of vital importance. The meetings that shall happen must abide by COVID-19 preventive measures and protocols.
2. The Federal Government of Somalia will enforce a night-time curfew to avoid further spread of COVID-19. The Federal Government of Somalia and its Federal Member states will decide locally on the specific timings.
3. Public transport is still permitted but it is required to adhere social distancing and wearing facemasks.
4. For all general public to wear face mask and observe social distancing in all public areas or gatherings such as markets, mosques, restaurants, hotels, events and other similar areas.
5. Public gatherings will increase the risk of spread of COVID-19, therefore all large gatherings such as sporting's events, protests, weddings and similar events to be temporarily cancelled during this wave.
6. To temporarily mitigate the number of Government staff in the offices to be reduced, whilst others will work from home.
7. All Government staff should follow COVID-19 instructions and receive the required COVID-19 Vaccine.
8. All Private Sector entities are required to vaccinate their staff and follow Covid-19 instructions and work with minimum staff in the offices while others will work from home.

9. All offices and private businesses (banks, shops, malls, gyms, hotels and all other public places) should follow the Infection Prevention and control measures and therefore, have designated locations & equipment for hand-washing and sanitizing, wearing face-masks & distancing at least 1 meter from each other.
10. For all Funeral services such as burial events should have limited number of people to participate and abide preventive measures.
11. The Ministry of Health will increase COVID-19 testing for the public with necessary equipment to increase tracing positive cases.

Travelers who are entering or leaving Somalia

1. All travelers must have a genuine COVID-19 negative PCR test certificate with a QR Code (quick response code), that has been tested in the past 72 hours.
2. All travelers must adhere to COVID-19 prevention and control measures and wear a face-mask at all times.
3. All travelers arriving from the following countries and/or have been there in the past 14 days will be subject to self-quarantine for 14 days:
Uganda, India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Brazil, Mexico, South Africa, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Iran, UAE.
4. All travelers departing from Somalia are to be registered in our online database system to ensure the validity of their PCR negative certificate.
5. All Airline companies must ensure the implementation of COVID-19 prevention and control measures and all passengers must adhere in wearing face masks at all times.
6. A national citizen who is entering Somalia without a genuine COVID-19 negative PCR certificate will be subject for self-quarantine for 14 days and/or until they confirm negative.
7. All foreigners entering Somalia without a genuine COVID-19 negative PCR certificate will be returned on the same flight they came in.
8. All Rotations of AMISOM and the United Nation Guard Unit in Mogadishu must adhere to the guidelines of the UNGU Rotation Plan for COVID-19 REF: NV/2020/065, in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and reduce the traffic in AAIA. The same guidelines shall be followed by any other foreign military missions mandated with training Somali Security Forces.
9. All Government agencies working in airports must coordinate together to create a COVID-19 free environment and provide all necessary guidelines for people arriving and departing from the Airport.
10. The Federal Ministry of Health and Human Services is requesting all incoming flights to Somalia including UNHAS, UNSOS and EU to submit their flight manifest to the offices of the Airport Health authorities well before the arrival of the flight.
11. Children travelling that are 12 years or younger do not need a COVID-19 negative PCR test certificate.

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