COVID-19 Test Validation Requirements

Passengers are advised to visit authorized laboratories to take a COVID-19 RT PCR test and be issued with Trusted Travel (TT) code/QR code that will be checked during check-in and be verified by Port Health Authorities on departure.

This code will also be verified on arrival at Mogadishu and Nairobi.

Passenger travelling to Somalia are requested to carry hard copies of the Trusted Travel (TT) code/QR.

Requirements for passengers entering Kenya

- Passengers must have negative PCR based Covid-19 test carried out within 72 hours on arrival.
- The mandatory Ministry of Health Travelers Health Surveillance online Form must be filled and submitted prior to travel. The online form should be accessed from the Ministry of Health website: https://ears.health.go.ke/airline_registration/
- After submitting the travel surveillance form, Passengers are advised to download the QR code. Passengers will be required to display the received QR codes to port health officials on arrival for them to be allowed to proceed to arrival immigration.
- Arriving passengers will be required to undergo a 14-day quarantine except if you are coming from the exempted countries.

The list of approved States whose travelers are exempt from quarantine can be accessed in the KCAA website: https://www.kcaa.or.ke/quarantine-exempted-states
- Locator forms to be completed and left with the operator for the purposes of traceability.

Requirements for passengers exiting Kenya

- For those passengers traveling out of the country, they will be required to abide by the travel, health and COVID-19 related requirements of the destination country.
- Locator forms to be completed and left in the Aircraft for the purposes of traceability.

Requirements for passengers entering Somalia
(see Pages 4-5 for updated guidelines by the Federal Government of Somalia on Somalia COVID-19 Guidelines for International Travelers to Somalia)

Key Measures

- All travelers must have a genuine COVID-19 negative PCR test certificate with a QR Code (quick response code) from authorized service provider. The sample collection date should be within 72 hours prior to arrival at final destinations.
- No passenger should board without a valid negative PCR test certificate.
- Always wear a facemask—including at airport premises and inside the plane.
- All international arrivals will be screened for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and those found to have any of those signs will undergo rapid antigen testing and will be quarantined in a hotel on their own expenses if test positive.
In the event of a traveler failing to produce a valid test certificate upon arrival for whatever reason, the traveler shall be subjected to compulsory quarantine and undergo COVID-19 testing in line with National Health Protocols.

Passenger’s possession of vaccination certificate is not accepted for entry in the absence of PCR-based test certificate; whether the passenger is vaccinated or not, the PCR-based COVID-19 test certificate is required for entry.

Passengers will be required to fill forms (passenger locator and surveillance forms)

**Quarantine Requirements** - *Applicable to all UN Personnel and contractors living within the Aden Abdulle International Airport compound and other UN support camps in Somalia.*

Mandatory self-quarantine shall be observed at the point of entry into Somalia, before connecting travel to any other destination.

Mandatory self-quarantine time for individuals travelling to Somalia with a valid negative COVID-19 PCR test certificate is five days, with mandatory PCR testing on Day 5. Those who test negative on Day 5 will be released on the same day, and must observe the following until Day 14:

- Wear a face mask when outside.
- Do not attend in-person meetings.
- Do not go to any office, gym, cafeteria/restaurant, attend any social gatherings, or go to other places where people congregate.
- Report to UNSOS Medical Services if they develop any symptoms associated with COVID-19 by email to: unsos-medical-staff@un.org
- Practice regular hand hygiene, physical distancing, and coughing etiquette.

Individuals under self-quarantine may go outdoors for short periods of time but must observe established COVID-19 mitigation measures.

Failure to comply with quarantine provisions constitutes a public health risk and may lead to administrative or disciplinary action.

Anyone who observes a quarantine violation should report this to: UN-COVID19-SOM-InfoHub@un.org

**Exemption from quarantine**

Individuals who are fully vaccinated, meaning they have received the last recommended dose of a vaccine against COVID-19 listed by WHO for emergency use or approved by a stringent regulatory authority* at least two weeks prior to travelling.

Individuals who have proof of previous SARS-CoV-2 infection confirmed by rRT-PCR received within the past 6 months and are no longer infectious as per WHO’s criteria for releasing COVID-19 patients from isolation.
Individuals who meet the two criteria above for exemption from mandatory self-quarantine shall share copies of their COVID-19 vaccination card or proof of COVID-19 infection to UN Medical Services **before arrival.**

**Notes:**
- The World Health Organization has approved six vaccines as of 16 June 2021: Pfizer BioNtech, AstraZeneca, Johnson & Johnson, Moderna, Sinopharm and Sinovac. UN personnel are advised to obtain one of these approved vaccines.

- The only single-dose vaccine approved by WHO and major regulatory authorities in the EU, USA and Canada is Johnson & Johnson.

- For any questions, please email: [UN-COVID19-SOMInfoHub@un.org](mailto:UN-COVID19-SOMInfoHub@un.org)
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.
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 whilst 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.