

# 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 <sup>1</sup>
Pre-Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Entry from All Countries, except Bangladesh, Brazil, India, Nepal and Pakistan.</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 and/or Pakistan 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
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No quarantine required, except when entering from Bangladesh, Brazil, India, Nepal or Pakistan (Restricted list of countries).</li><li>• Day 5 PCR test is required.</li><li>• 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>.</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 <i>not</i> on the Restricted list	For Countries <i>on</i> the Restricted list
Pre-Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• May enter from any country, except countries on the restricted list.</li><li>• Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h of departure from country of origin.</li><li>• Complete Health Travel Authorisation.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Countries on the restricted list are Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Pakistan.</li><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></ul>

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

<sup>2</sup> 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cover for COVID-19-related health costs: testing, quarantine, isolation, treatment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cover for COVID-19-related health costs: testing, quarantine, isolation and treatment.</li> </ul>
Arrival and Stay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No quarantine required.</li> <li>A day 5 PCR test<sup>3</sup> (at client's/employers' cost).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A 7-day quarantine in an approved establishment or quarantine facility, with day 5 PCR test.</li> <li>Both quarantine and testing are at clients'/employers' cost.</li> </ul>
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dependents of GOP-holders will follow same procedures as for the GOP-Holder.</li> </ul>	

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

	Procedures and Conditions
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 all crew undertake a COVID-19 PCR test (at cost) upon arrival, with all results negative.</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>4</sup>)

	Procedures and Conditions
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>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Daily surveillance as per protocol with Rapid Antigen Test<sup>5</sup> aboard vessel is encouraged.</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>3</sup> Encouraged to use certified private testing facilities for this test.

<sup>4</sup> Entry of Seafarers by sea requires additional discussions with the Public Health Authority.

<sup>5</sup> Testing must be with WHO/FDA-Approved Antigen Rapid Diagnostic Tests, and be conducted by trained personnel.