# Information on How to Apply for a Visa and a Certificate of Entry (COE) at the Royal Thai Embassy, Manila (For Non-Thai Nationals)

#### 1. Apply for a visa

- 1.1 For visa application form and requirements please visit <u>https://www.thaiembassymnl.ph/images/ThaiVisaRequirementListUPDATED2020.pdf</u> Please also check requirements for Certificate of Entry (COE) as additional requirements for each type of visa. The Embassy reserves the right to request additional document as deemed necessary.
- 1.2 Nationals from the List of Countries Allowed 30-day Tourism Without a Visa and from countries / territories under Bilateral Agreement with Thailand can apply for a Certificate of Entry and travel to Thailand without a visa. Nationals from the List of

Countries Allowed 30-day Tourism Without a Visa are allowed to stay up to 30 days. List can be found at <u>https://www.mfa.go.th/en/page/summary-of-countries-and-</u> <u>territorie?menu=5e1ff736aff2fd00bd63f6e2</u>

- 1.3 APEC Card holders with THA code / Holders of an Elite visa who received an approval / Holder of Thai Certificate of Residence / Eligible non-Thai nationals with valid re-entry permit may apply for a Certificate of Entry
- 1.4 Visa on Arrival has been resumed.
- 1.5 Schedule for visa application Monday / Wednesday / Friday (except Embassy's holiday)
  - Accept application between 10.00 – 12.00 hrs.
  - Release passport between 14.00 15.00 hrs.

Application accepted on Monday will be released on Friday. Application accepted on Wednesday will be released on Monday of the following week. Application accepted on Friday will be released on Wednesday of the following week.

*Note:* The Royal Thai Embassy, Manila, requests applicants to upload a copy of valid visa or re-entry permit when applying for a COE on-line, except applicants who are Medium Term Visitor – Visa Exemption.

# 2. Apply for a Certificate of Entry (COE)

2.1 Non-Thai nationals must apply for COE online at <u>coethailand.mfa.go.th</u>. Please visit the website for information and instruction.

# 2.2 Requirements for COE

# 2.2.1 For pre-approval (registration)

- a) Copy of passport
- b) Valid visa or valid re-entry permit, except Medium Term Visitor Visa Exemption
- c) A health insurance policy covering treatment and medical expenses related to COVID-19 with a minimum coverage of USD 100,000.- (or equivalent in other currencies)

*Travelers are advised to purchase their health insurance which meets Thailand's entry criteria from* <u>http://covid19.tgia.org/</u>

d) Certificate of Vaccination (if any) in English showing ALL required doses, issued by a government authority, containing personal information of the traveler and information on the vaccine (name, batch number, vaccination dates).

If certificate is approved by Thai authority, traveler will undergo quarantine for 7 days; If certificate is not approved or travelers have no certificate, the quarantine period is 10 days.

# 2.2.2 <u>When travel is confirmed</u> (confirmation)

- a) Plane ticket booking
- b) Alternative Quarantine confirmation and evidence of full pre-payment (whole amount) or deposit of no-less than 500 USD (or 15,000 THB)
  - List of approved AQ can be found at <u>http://bit.ly/3556nel</u>.
  - Some AQ can be booked at
    - agoda.com/quarantineth
    - asq.locanation.com
    - asq.ascendtravel.com
  - Applicant arriving in Thailand at Suvarnabhumi Airport or Don Mueang Airport must reserve AQ in Bangkok and Metropolitan Area, Chonburi, Prachinburi or Nakhon Nayok
  - Applicant arriving Thailand at Phuket Airport must reserve AQ in Phuket and Phang-nga (transfer from Bangkok to Phuket/Pang-Nga is not possible).
- c) Travellers seeking medical treatment in Thailand may choose to stay at a certified AHQ facility.

# 2.3 For Phuket Sandbox and Samui Plus, please see attachment

- 2.4 COE is not required for transit/transfer passengers at Suvarnabhumbi or Don-Mueang International Airport (lay-over time not exceeding 12 hours / check-through luggage only / cannot leave transit area / final destination is outside of Thailand) do not need to apply for the COE, but are required to have the following documents:
  - Medical Certificate with RT-PCR laboratory result indicating that COVID-19 is not detected, issued no more than 72 hours before departure, or certificate of vaccination

showing that the last dose was administration no less than 14 days before the date of departure.

- Health insurance covering treatment and medical expenses for COVID-19 disease, or any other guarantee throughout their stay in the Kingdom, with a coverage of no less than 100,000 USD.

# 3. Before / On Departure Day

- 3.1 The following documents are required at the port of embarkation (Airline check-in) and upon entry into the Kingdom of Thailand.
  - a) A Certificate of Entry issued by the Royal Thai Embassy
  - b) A health insurance policy covering treatment and medical expenses related to COVID-19 with a minimum coverage of USD 100,000.- (or equivalent in other currencies)
  - c) A medical certificate with RT-PCR laboratory result indicating that COVID-19 is not detected, issued no more than 72 hours before departure.

Some airlines may have their own requirement. Please check directly with the airline

- 3.2 ThailandPlus Application is no longer required
- 3.3 Travellers who plan to travel to other parts of Thailand after completing quarantine are advised to study the latest travel/health measures imposed by the provincial authorities of their respective destinations. For the latest measures, please visit <u>http://moicovid.com/map.html</u>

#### 4. Additional Information

4.1 How to Contact the Royal Thai Embassy, Manila

Monday – Friday between 10.00 – 16.00 hrs. (During the General Community Quarantine) Tel. 02 8815 4219 02 88103833 loc 102-103 Fax 02 8817 4262 Email royalthaiembassy107@gmail.com The Embassy will reply within five working days.

4.2 Applicant should have at least 10 working days to apply for both visa and COE and at least 6 working days for only the COE.

# Information on entering Thailand through PHUKET SANDBOX

From 1 October 2021 onwards, fully vaccinated travellers from all countries/territories are allowed to enter Phuket, Thailand, without quarantine.

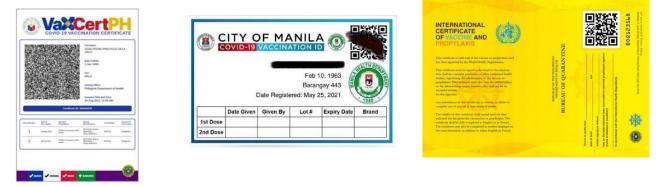
\*\*Travellers must enter Thailand via Phuket International Airport. <u>Transfer via Bangkok is not yet</u> <u>possible</u>. Travellers wishing to enter Phuket Sandbox programme must book their international flight that lands directly in Phuket. From Phuket International Airport, travellers must travel to their SHA+ hotels in pre-booked cars provided by the SHA+ hotels.

Travellers wishing to enter Thailand through Phuket Sandbox must proceed, subject to conditions below:

1. <u>Travellers must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19</u> with a vaccine registered with the Food and Drug Administration of Thailand (FDA), or approved by World Health Organization (WHO) or Ministry of Public Health of Thailand **no less than 14 days before departure**. Travellers must show Certificate of Vaccination issued by a government authority.

- The following vaccines are accepted
  - CoronaVac by Sinovac (2 doses needed)
  - AstraZeneca by AstraZeneca (2 doses needed)
  - AstraZeneca by SK BIOSCIENCE (Korea) (2 doses needed)
  - AstraZeneca by Siam Bioscience (2 doses needed)
  - AstraZeneca by Serum Institute of India (2 doses needed)
  - Janssen by Johnson & Johnson Services, Inc. (1 dose needed)
  - Pfizer-BioNTECH COVID-19 vaccine by Pfizer Inc. (2 doses needed)
  - Moderna by Moderna Inc. (2 doses needed)
  - COVILO by Sinopharm Co., Ltd. (2 doses needed)
  - Sputnik V by Gamaleya Research Institute of Epidemiology and Microbiology (2 doses needed)
- The vaccine certificate/card
  - Travellers who have been vaccinated in the Philippines, please submit either COVID-19

Vaccination Certificate (VaXCertPH) <u>or</u> Vaccination Card issued by Local Government Unit (LGU) <u>or</u> Yellow Card issued by Bureau of Quarantine (BOQ) when requesting for Certificate of Entry (COE). Examples of the aforesaid documents are shown below.



• Children under the age of 18, travelling with parents, are eligible without proof of vaccination.

 $_{\circ}$  Combination of different vaccines is accepted provided that the period between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> dose was in accordance with the period set by the manufacture of the first dose.

2. <u>Travellers must have health insurance</u> which covers treatment and medical expenses in relation to COVID-19, with a minimum coverage of 100,000 USD. The said detail must be included in the insurance certificate submitted for Certificate of Entry (COE) approval.

# 3. COVID-19 tests

- <u>Before departure</u>, travellers must present RT-PCR negative test result issued no more than 72 hours before departure. (Please also check with the airlines, some airlines require RT-PCR negative test result must be issued within 48 hours).
- Upon arrival in Phuket, travellers must undergo two COVID-19 RT-PCR tests at the traveller's own expenses. Travellers must pre-book and pay for COVID-19 tests in Phuket and must submit evidence of pre-payment for RT-PCR tests when applying for Certificate of Entry (COE) (See no. 6 below). Accepted evidence of pre-payment for the RT-PCR tests are
  - Receipt issued by the SHA+ hotel
  - Receipt issued under the Phuket Swab Appointment System (PSAS) for appointments made through <u>www.thailandpsas.com</u> website (online RT-PCR test appointment system)

The first COVID-19 test will be done upon arrival at Phuket International Airport (Children under the age of 6 years old are allowed to undergo sliva-sampled test); **travellers**  will be allowed outside of their hotel rooms <u>only upon confirmation</u> of negative result of the first test. The second test will be on Day 6 at traveller's selected swab test center.

- 4. Travellers must stay at a hotel that meets SHA+ standard
  - Travellers must stay at a hotel that meets the "SHA+" standard for at least 7 days, unless travellers have proof of return tickets leaving Phuket (to another country) before 7 days.
     For a list of SHA+ facilities, visit <u>https://www.thailandsha.com</u> or <a href="https://www.shathailand.com">https://www.shathailand.com</a>
  - Those arriving in Phuket between 18.01 00.00 hrs. will need to stay for 8 nights (the day of arrival is counted as "Day Zero").
  - Those arriving in Phuket between 00.01 18.00 hrs. will need to stay for 7 nights (the day of arrival is counted as "Day One").
  - Confirmation of "SHA+" hotel booking must be issued under the SHABA system only (SHA Plus Booking Authentication system); the SHABA certificate must contain:
    - o SHABA ID
    - Name of all travellers
    - Date of check-in & number of nights
    - QR Code
    - Payment status
  - Reservation for SHA+ hotels can be made through any channels, including through the hotels themselves or other agents, <u>as long as the hotel issues the SHABA certificate for</u> <u>the travellers</u>. Reservation confirmation from online agents that is not SHABA certificate will not be accepted.
  - Travellers travelling to Phuket Sandbox can reserve for SHA+ hotel in Phuket or Phang-nga province or Krabi province but travellers must stay at <u>one province and one hotel only</u> for at least 7 days.
  - Travellers must report themselves back at the chosen hotel every night. Overnight stay at other places are not possible.
  - After 7 days, they may travel to other parts of Thailand. Departure earlier than 7 days is possible only for destination outside of Thailand.

- 5. <u>Travellers must install and use journey-tracing application (turn on GPS)</u> as prescribed by the Thai Government throughout the 7 days in Phuket, otherwise they may not be allowed to leave Phuket to other parts of Thailand after 7 days.
  - Upon leaving Phuket to other parts of Thailand after 7 days, travellers must provide proof of 7 days of stay in Phuket (Release Form issued from the traveller's hotel) and 2 RT-PCR test results.
- 6. <u>Travellers must apply for a Certificate of Entry (COE)</u> via https://coethailand.mfa.go.th/. Please choose option "Sandbox Programme", and then select "Phuket" as Sandbox destination when completing the "travel details" column.

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For further information, please call (02) 8810 3833 or royalthaiembassy107@gmail.com

# Information on entering Thailand through SAMUI PLUS

From 1 October 2021 onwards, fully vaccinated travellers from all countries/territories are allowed to enter Samui, Thailand, without quarantine, subject to conditions below.

\*\*Traveller must enter Koh Samui with **a direct international flight** (arriving at Samui International Airport from abroad), **OR** with an international flight that enters Thailand via Suvarnabhumi International Airport (Bangkok) and is connected to Koh Samui by **approved sealed flights, route BKK-USM: Flight No. PG5125 / PG5151 or PG5171** 

For flights to Koh Samui via Bangkok, the ticket must be issued on the same booking with international flight in conjunction with such approved Bangkok-Samui flights. Any flight reservations booked separately will not be accepted.

Travellers should contact their airlines directly to ensure that the route origin-Bangkok-Samui is booked together in a single booking and that their luggage is checked-through to Koh Samui.

# Travellers wishing to enter Thailand through Samui Plus must proceed, subject to conditions below:

1. <u>Travellers must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19</u> with a vaccine registered with the Food and Drug Administration of Thailand (FDA), or approved by World Health Organization (WHO) or Ministry of Public Health of Thailand **no less than 14 days before departure**. Travellers must show Certificate of Vaccination issued by a government authority.

- The following vaccines are accepted
  - CoronaVac by Sinovac (2 doses needed)
  - AstraZeneca by AstraZeneca (2 doses needed)
  - AstraZeneca by SK BIOSCIENCE (Korea) (2 doses needed)
  - AstraZeneca by Siam Bioscience (2 doses needed)
  - AstraZeneca by Serum Institute of India (2 doses needed)
  - Janssen by Johnson & Johnson Services, Inc. (1 dose needed)
  - Pfizer-BioNTECH COVID-19 vaccine by Pfizer Inc. (2 doses needed)
  - Moderna by Moderna Inc. (2 doses needed)
  - COVILO by Sinopharm Co., Ltd. (2 doses needed)
  - Sputnik V by Gamaleya Research Institute of Epidemiology and Microbiology (2 doses needed)

The vaccine certificate/card

• Travellers who have been vaccinated in the Philippines, please submit either COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate (VaXCertPH) <u>or</u> Vaccination Card issued by Local Government Unit (LGU) <u>or</u> Yellow Card issued by Bureau of Quarantine (BOQ) when requesting for Certificate of Entry (COE). Examples of the aforesaid documents are shown below.

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• Combination of different vaccines is accepted provided that the period between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> dose was in accordance with the period set by the manufacture of the first dose.

2. <u>Travellers must have health insurance</u> which covers treatment and medical expenses in relation to COVID-19, with a minimum coverage of 100,000 USD.

3. <u>Travellers must present RT-PCR negative test result</u> issued no more than 72 hours before departure. (Please also check with the airlines, some airlines require RT-PCR negative test result must be issued within 48 hours).

- Upon entry, travellers will have to undergo 2 tests at different times, at the traveller's own expenses. The first test will be done upon arrival; travellers will be allowed outside of their hotel rooms only upon confirmation of negative result of the first test.
- Children under the age of 6 are allowed to undergo sliva-sampled test.
- To apply for COE, travellers must submit evidence of pre-payment for the required RT-PCR tests (please contact the hotel directly to inquire).
- 4. <u>Hotel</u>
  - Travellers must provide confirmation of pre-paid SHA+ accommodation is needed for a total of 7 days, unless travellers have proof of return tickets leaving Samui (to

# another country) before 7 days.

- Throughout the 7 days, travellers may stay at no more than 3 SHA+ hotels. The first hotel must be on Koh Samui (at least 1 night), after which the travellers may travel to Koh Tao and Koh Phangan.
- For a list of Samui SHA+ facilities visit https://www.shathailand.com/kohsamui
   or https://www.thailandsha.com (choose hotels in Surat Thani Province)
- Reservation can be made through any channels, including through the hotels themselves or other agents, as long as the hotel issues the SAMUI+ PHANGAN, TAO certificate for the travellers, which indicates that two RT-PCR tests are included. Reservation confirmation from online agents are not accepted.
- The reservation must show that the hotel has been fully paid for, or at that least 500
   USD (or 15,000 THB) has been paid in deposit.
- 5. Permitted movements within Koh Samui & nearby islands

**Days 1-3 (hotel-based):** upon receiving negative result of the first RT-PCR test, travellers may leave their hotel room but are required to stay within the premises of the hotel.

**Days 4-7 (sealed route):** travellers are allowed to travel within specified routes/travel programme on Koh Samui. Traveller must undergo second RT-PCR test on 6th or 7th day.

- 6. <u>Travellers must install and use journey-tracing application (turn on GPS)</u> as prescribed by the Thai Government.
  - Upon leaving Koh Samui to other parts of Thailand after 7 days, travellers must provide proof of 7 days of stay in Koh Samui/Khon Phangan/Koh Tao and 2 RT-PCR test results.
- 7. <u>Travellers must apply for a Certificate of Entry (COE) via https://coethailand.mfa.go.th/.</u>
  - Please choose option "Sandbox Programme", and then select "Samui" as Sandbox destination when completing the "travel details" column.

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