

**From 00:00 on September 1, the epidemic prevention measures for people entering with foreign passports will be adjusted**

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**Novel Coronavirus Infection Response Coordination Center**



The Novel Coronavirus Infection Response and Coordination Center (hereinafter referred to as the Response and Coordination Center) announced that, after considering the actual local needs and assessing the risk and changes of the epidemic situation in the relevant areas, the Health Bureau made a decision in accordance with the provisions of the first paragraph of the Chief Executive's Instruction No. 166/2022. Announcements No. 401/A/SS/2022, No. 410/A/SS/2022, No. 411/A/SS/2022, No. 412/A/SS/2022, effective from 00:00 on September 1, 2022, to adjust the epidemic prevention measures for non-local residents (hereinafter referred to

as those who need to enter Macao with foreign passports) other than residents of Mainland China, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and Taiwan region to enter Macao.

### **Entry from Mainland China with a foreign passport**

According to Announcement No. 410/A/SS/2022, persons who are required to enter the country with foreign passports and who meet any of the following conditions may be admitted to Mainland China without prior approval from the health authorities, subject to compliance with other entry conditions Entering the Macau Special Administrative Region:

1. Holders of a valid Portuguese passport.

2. Hold a valid passport and meet any of the following conditions for long-term stay in Macau:

- a. Possess a valid "Residence Authorization", "Special Authorization to Stay", "Special Stay Permit" issued by the Public Security Police Force;
- b. Hold a non-resident worker's identity card or "entry document for work purposes";
- c. Holders of the "Professional Non-resident Worker Employment Authorization" issued by the Labour Affairs Bureau and the "Application Document Receipt" issued by the Public Security Police Force for the "Permit to Stay as an Employee".

3. Hold a valid passport and meet any of the following conditions to re-enter Mainland China:

- a. Passports are applicable documents for the mutual visa exemption agreement between China and foreign countries;
- b. Hold a valid residence permit for foreigners in the People's Republic of China for work, personal affairs, reunion or study;
- c. Hold a valid diplomatic, official, courtesy, C-character PRC visa;
- d. Hold other visas of the People's Republic of China valid for 1 month or more issued after March 28, 2020;
- e. Hold a valid permanent residence ID card for foreigners of the People's Republic of China;

- f. Hold a valid APEC Business Travel Card, China Travel Permit, People's Republic of China Exit-Entry Permit or other documents that can re-enter Mainland China.

In addition, according to the first paragraph of the Chief Executive's Instruction No. 43/2021, holders of **foreign passports** who also meet the following conditions are also not required to obtain prior approval from the health authorities to enter the Macao Special Administrative Region from Mainland China:

1. Hold a visa to the Mainland issued by the Office of the Commissioner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China in the Macao Special Administrative Region, and return from the Macao Special Administrative Region within the validity period of the visa;
2. Have not been to the Mainland or places outside the Macao Special Administrative Region in the 21 days prior to entry.

For those who hold travel documents from countries or regions other than China and do not meet the conditions mentioned in the above-mentioned Health Bureau Announcement No. 410/A/SS/2022 or Chief Executive's Instruction No. 43/2021, the first / Announcement No. 2022, entry into the Macao Special Administrative Region from Mainland China is only permitted with prior approval from the health authorities if the following conditions are met:

1. Students who have been admitted to Macao higher education schools;
2. Those who come to Australia to deal with urgent and important official, business or private affairs, and declare that they fully understand the visa and entry policies of mainland China.

**Entry from countries and regions other than Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Taiwan Region or China with a foreign passport**

According to Health Bureau Announcement No. 401/A/SS/2022, with effect from 00:00 on September 1, 2022, passport holders of 41 countries (including Portugal), without the prior approval of the health authorities, will be issued by the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Taiwan region or countries and

regions other than China to enter the Macao Special Administrative Region.

According to the above-mentioned announcement of the Health Bureau, holders of valid passports from the following countries may enter Macao from the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Taiwan Region or countries and regions other than China, subject to other entry conditions and without prior approval from the health authorities Administrative Regions: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, United Kingdom, Brunei, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea (South Korea), Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand and the United States.

In addition, according to the above-mentioned announcement of the Health Bureau, those who enter the country with Portuguese passports can enter without the requirement that they have not been to mainland China, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and places other than Portugal 21 days before entry.

Meanwhile, according to Health Bureau Announcement No. 411/A/SS/2022, holders of travel documents from countries and regions other than China that are not included in Announcement No. 401/A/SS/2022, if they meet the following exceptions, will be approved by the health authorities Prior approval is required to enter the Macao Special Administrative Region from countries and regions other than Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Taiwan Region or China:

1. Spouse or other family member of a resident of the Macao Special Administrative Region;
2. Persons who have obtained the "Permit to Stay as an Employee" issued by the competent authority of the Macao SAR;

3. Holders of "Entry Document for Work Purposes" or "Receipt of Application Documents" approved by the Public Security Police Force's "Permit to Stay as an Employee";
4. Persons who have been granted a "Special Authorization to Stay" for family members of professional non-resident workers;
5. Persons who have obtained a "Residence Authorization" issued by the competent authority of the Macao SAR;
6. Students who have been admitted to Macao higher education schools;
7. People who come to Australia for urgent and important business, official or private matters.

The Response Coordination Center emphasized that, regardless of whether prior approval from the health authorities is required, those who are required to enter with a foreign passport are still required to present a negative nucleic acid test certificate when boarding a plane, vehicle or ship and upon entry, while those from the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Those entering Taiwan or countries and regions other than China must also hold a confirmation letter for a medical observation hotel reservation in Macau, an appointment receipt for routine nucleic acid testing during the medical observation period, and undergo at least 7 days of centralized isolation medical observation and 3 days of medical observation after entry. day self-health management.

For the specific requirements for those who intend to enter the country and when boarding an aircraft, vehicle or ship, and after entering the country, please refer to the Special Anti-epidemic webpage of the Response and Coordination Center (<https://www.ssm.gov.mo/PreventCOVID-19?lang=ch> ).