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## United States Requirement for Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination for Air Passengers

On 25 October 2021, the President of the United States issued Proclamation to suspend and limit the entry into the United States for non-U.S. and nonimmigrants seeking to enter the United States by air travel and not fully vaccinated against COVID-19. On the same day the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued an Order of the requirement for proof of COVID-19 vaccination for non-U.S. citizen, nonimmigrant passengers arriving from a foreign country to the United States by air. The public is hereby advised of the contents of the Order, as follows:

- 1. Noncitizens who are nonimmigrants and seeking to enter the United States by air are required to show proof of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 before boarding a flight to the United States from a foreign country.
- 2. If the passenger is not fully vaccinated against COVID-19, the passenger will NOT be allowed to board a flight to the United States, unless the passenger meet the criteria for an exception under the Proclamation and CDC's Order.
- 3. Categories of noncitizen nonimmigrants who meet the criteria for an exception under the Proclamation and CDC's Order include:
  - Persons on diplomatic or official foreign government travel
  - Children under 18 years of age
  - Persons with documented medical contraindications to receiving a COVID-19 vaccine
  - Participants in certain COVID-19 vaccine trials
  - Persons issued a humanitarian or emergency exception
  - Persons with valid visas [excluding B-1 (business) or B-2 (tourism) visas] who are citizens of a foreign country with limited COVID-19 vaccine availability
  - Members of the U.S. Armed Forces or their spouses or children (under 18 years of age)
  - Sea crew members traveling with to a C-1 and D nonimmigrant visa
  - Persons whose entry would be in the national interest, as determined by the Secretary
    of State, Secretary of Transportation, or Secretary of Homeland Security (or their
    designees)
- 4. For noncitizen's or nonimmigrants who do not fall under any of above exceptions, passengers must show proof of being fully vaccinated before boarding a flight to the United States.
- 5. For additional information on recommendations and requirements before and during travel to the United States and after arriving in the United States, visit Non-U.S. citizen Non-U.S. immigrants: Air Travel to the United States.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

Source: Official Website of the United States for Centers for Disease Control Projection www.cdc.gov