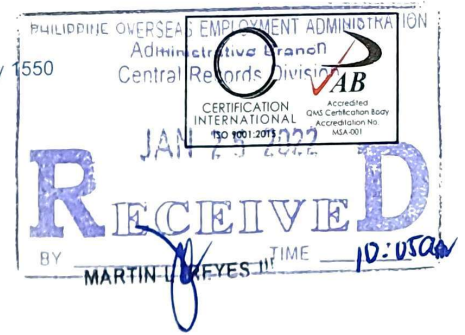




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COVID-19 VACCINATION REQUIREMENT FOR LONG-TERM PASSES, WORK PASSES AND PERMANENT RESIDENCE IN SINGAPORE

The Singapore Ministry of Manpower (MOM) announced on 26 December 2021 that starting 1 February 2022, COVID-19 vaccination will be a condition for the approval or grant of new long-term passes, work passes, as well as permanent residence. Additionally, vaccination will be required for the renewal of existing work passes. These measures are adapted to sustain the high vaccination rates and facilitate the safe reopening of Singapore's society and economy.

Verification of Vaccination Status

Work pass holders and dependants

1. At the point of application, employers will be required to make a declaration that their work pass holders and dependents are fully vaccinated¹ upon arrival in Singapore. Pass holders are also required to submit or present their vaccination certificates as part of the verification process.
 - a. Pass holders with digitally verifiable certificates will have to verify their certificates by uploading them to ICA's Vaccination Check Portal system.
 - b. Pass holders without digitally verifiable certificates will have to present their vaccination certificates to the airlines, ferry operators or at the checkpoint before boarding.
2. Those who are unable to produce the necessary documentation will be denied boarding or entry into Singapore unless prior exemptions have been granted. All pass holders will also be subjected to the prevailing immigration entry requirements and health protocols in Singapore.
3. Individuals who have received their vaccination overseas must update their vaccination records in the National Immunisation Registry (NIR). They will be given a grace period of 30 days upon arrival in Singapore, to undergo and show a positive serology test result taken at a Public Health Preparedness Clinic. Should

¹ An individual is considered fully vaccinated two weeks after he or she has received the full regimen of any vaccine on the World Health Organization Emergency Use Listing Procedure (WHO EUL) list of vaccines.

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they test negative, they will be required to complete the full vaccination regimen in Singapore or face revocation of their passes.

4. The vaccination condition will not apply to the following:
 - a. Individuals below 12 years old;
 - b. Individuals aged 12 to below 18 years old - they can continue to make a declaration to complete the full vaccination regimen after arriving in Singapore;
 - c. Pass holders who are medically ineligible for vaccination, provided they submit a doctor's memo at the point of application, and undergo a medical review upon arrival in Singapore.

New Permanent Residence, Long-Term Visit Pass, and Student's Pass applications

5. Vaccination will be a condition for the grant of new Permanent Residence (PR), Long-Term Visit Pass (LTVP) and Student's Pass (STP) applications.
6. Vaccination status of applicants will be verified during the pass issuance process. Their vaccination records will have to be updated in the NIR (i.e. vaccinated in Singapore or receive a positive serology test result). If applicants are not registered in the NIR (e.g. unvaccinated or vaccinated overseas but tested serology negative), they will have to complete the full vaccination regimen in Singapore to fulfil the vaccination condition before they can be granted PR or long-term passes. The vaccination condition will not apply to PR, LTVP and STP applicants who are aged below 12 years old, as well as those who are medically ineligible for vaccination.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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