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Singapore requires vaccination before issuance of work passes

Singapore has adapted new measures to sustain the high vaccination rates and facilitate the safe reopening of its society and economy.

The country's Ministry of Manpower has announced that starting February 1, 2022, COVID-19 vaccination will be required before approval or grant of new long term passes, work passes, as well permanent residence. Additional vaccination will be required for the renewal of existing work passes.

At the point of application, employers will be required to make a declaration that the work pass holders and dependents are fully vaccinated upon arrival in Singapore. Pass holders are also required to submit or present their vaccination certificates as part of the verification process.

Those who are unable to produce the necessary documentation will be denied boarding or entry into Singapore unless prior exemptions been granted. All pass holders will also be subjected to the prevailing immigration entry requirements and health protocols in Singapore.

Individuals who have received their vaccination overseas must update their vaccination records in the National Immunization 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 they test negative, they will be required to complete the full vaccination regimen.

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