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Title: Quarantine and preventive measures for Travellers and Crew members arriving from overseas or in flights originated from Sri Lanka during the pandemic of COVID-19.

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Pursuant to Section 121 of the Civil Aviation Act No.14 of 2010, Director General of Civil Aviation shall have the power to issue, whenever he considers it necessary or appropriate to do so, such Special Directions for the purpose of giving effect to any of the provision in the CA Act, any Regulations or Rules made thereunder including the Articles of the Convention on International Civil Aviation which are specified in the Schedule to the CA Act.

Accordingly, I, being the Director General of Civil Aviation do hereby issue the Special Direction as mentioned in the Attachment hereto (**Ref: CA-SD-AMS-2021-003-Att-01**), for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions in the aforementioned Act and Standards & Procedures described under Article 37 of the Convention, which are specified in the Attachment.

This Special Direction supersedes SLCASD- 019 (CAASL-AMS-COVID 19-SP-05) dated 20th March 2021, shall come in to force with immediate effect and remain until revoked.

Attention is also drawn to Section 103 of the Civil Aviation Act No.14 of 2010, which states *inter alia* that failure to comply with Special Direction, issued by DGCA is an offence.

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- (ix) Appendix I – Sri Lankan Nationals who are staff of Diplomatic Missions.
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1.1 Latest News from Ministry of Health.

- (i) Please visit the Ministry of Health website news page and download the latest documents relevant to your individual requirements as and when needed: (http://www.health.gov.lk/moh_final/english/news_read_more.php?id=999).

2. Introduction

- 2.1. The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly disrupted the global air transport system and resulted in a crisis of the entire aviation industry. The Government of Sri Lanka together with the Ministry of Health, the Civil Aviation Authority and other relevant aviation stakeholders have joined forces to plan a restart and recovery of operations. In that aspect a revision of guidelines related to health measures has been performed. This Special Direction focuses on the latest guidelines published by the Ministry of Health to resume operations of the aviation industry especially the international airports facilities, Airline services and services for traffic.
- 2.2. The essence of this Special Direction is laid down in the latest guidelines published by the Ministry of Health namely:
 - (i) DGHS/COVID-19/347/2021 dated 07.07.2021
Quarantine Measures for travellers arriving from overseas during the pandemic of COVID-19.
 - (ii) DGHS/COVID-19/347/2021 dated 10.07.2021
Preventive Measures for Airline Crew Members.
 - (iii) DGHS/COVID-19/347/2021 dated 15.07.2021
Quarantine Measures for travellers arriving from overseas during the pandemic of COVID-19.
- 2.3. This guideline consists of Appendix A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I & J according to the regularity requirements for easy referral.
- 2.4. This guideline document in the form of a Special Direction is published by the CAASL to provide operational recommendations for all Stakeholders involved in the aviation industry and at the

Airports. This Special Direction incorporates the above guidelines of the Ministry of Health after careful deliberation & study of compatibility with ICAO and WHO standards. All relevant Aviation Industry Stakeholders shall comply with the requirements of this document strictly until further notice.

3. Abbreviations

(i) CAASL	–	Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka
(ii) DGCA	-	Director General of Civil Aviation
(iii) DGHS	–	Director General of Health Services
(iv) ICAO	–	International Civil Aviation Organization
(v) MoH	–	Ministry of Health
(vi) PCR Tests	-	COVID-19 Polymerase Chain Reaction Test
(vii) UN	-	United Nations
(viii) WHO	–	World Health Organization

Appendix A

Title: General Measures and Procedures for All Travellers flying into Sri Lanka and Criteria of Traveller Categorization & Vaccination Criteria.

1. Approval Process to Enter Sri Lanka from a Low Risk Country (Please refer Appendix J for list of High Risk Countries).

- (i) ***(Resident) Sri Lankan Passport Holder*** subjected to hotel quarantine (Sri Lankan Citizen/Dual Citizen travelling on Sri Lankan Passports/Seafarer) who has booked a Quarantine Hotel requires no approval to enter Sri Lanka.
(Please refer to Appendix B of this Special Direction)
- (ii) ***(Resident) Sri Lankan Passport Holder*** subjected to Government Sponsored quarantine (Sri Lankan Citizen/Dual Citizen/Seafarer) who has not booked a Quarantine Hotel and intends to stay in Government Sponsored Quarantine Centres may request for a Quarantine Hotel/Government Quarantine upon Arrival in Sri Lanka. ***(Please refer to Appendix B of this Special Direction)***
- (iii) ***(Resident) Foreign Passport Holder*** (Dual Citizen/Spouse of Sri Lanka Citizen who is a Foreigner/Unmarried Foreign Child of Sri Lankan Parent(s)/Foreign National with valid resident visa) not entering Sri Lanka as a Tourist, shall require an approval to enter Sri Lanka from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs via email: (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk)
(Please refer to Appendix C of this Special Direction)
- (iv) ***(Tourist) Sri Lankan Passport Holder*** (Sri Lankan Citizen/Dual Citizen) who wish to enter Sri Lanka as a Tourist, shall require an approval to enter Sri Lanka only from the Sri Lanka Tourism via (<https://www.srilanka.travel/helloagain/>). This is an Electronic Travel Approval (ETA) using the protocol as stipulated in the website.
(Please refer to Appendix D of this Special Direction)
- (v) ***(Tourist) Foreign Passport Holder*** (Dual Citizen/Foreigner with valid resident visa/Tourist visa) wishing to enter Sri Lanka as a Tourist, shall require an approval to enter Sri Lanka only from the Sri Lanka Tourism via (<https://www.srilanka.travel/helloagain/>). This is an Electronic Travel Approval (ETA) using the protocol as stipulated in the website.
(Please refer to Appendix D of this Special Direction)
- (vi) ***(Business) Foreign Passport Holder*** (Any foreign passport holder) wishing to enter Sri Lanka for purposes of business (Projects/Meetings/Discussions etc..) by invitation of the Government of Sri Lanka or any Private Organisation shall require an approval to enter Sri Lanka from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs via email: (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk) with specific details in a letter of invitation from the Sri Lanka host/counterpart.
(Please refer to Appendix G of this Special Direction)

- (vii) ***Staff of Diplomatic Missions & UN organizations who are Foreign Nationals in Sri Lanka (Please refer to Appendix H).***
- (viii) ***Staff of Diplomatic Missions and UN organizations who are Sri Lankan Nationals (Please refer to Appendix).***

2. Documentation regarding Persons who have taken a COVID-19 Vaccination (All Criteria must be fulfilled for Acceptability of Proof and must be in possession).

- (i) Original Certificate of Vaccination (or document of proof).
- (ii) Documents must be in English or a certified copy in English for any information on the original which is not indicated in English.
- (iii) Documents must have name of the vaccine & dates of vaccination.
- (iv) Other verifiable evidence of vaccinations.

Note: These documents will have to be produced to the Health Officers at the Airport of Entry into Sri Lanka.

3. Sri Lankan Standard of a Fully Vaccinated Traveller.

(If any of the following are not fulfilled, the Traveller is considered as Not Vaccinated)

- (i) All recommended doses of a COVID19 Vaccination have been taken.
- (ii) 14 days have lapsed from the date of the last/final vaccination dose till the date of departure inbound to Sri Lanka.

Note 01: If the traveller departs inbound to Sri Lanka with less than 14 days from the final dose of the vaccine, and the 14 day period from the final dose of the vaccine is achieved whilst in Quarantine. Please refer relevant appendices.

Note 02: If the doses taken are incomplete, or the traveller is departing inbound to Sri Lanka with less than 14 days from the final vaccination dosage, the traveller is considered NOT Vaccinated.

4. Pre-Departure Negative COVID19 Test Report to be done by All Travellers into Sri Lanka (Boarding will not be allowed unless complied with).

- (i) The PCR Test Result (Negative) shall be in English or a Certified Translation of the Document/Test Report with the Original.
- (ii) ***Sri Lankan Passport Holder (Resident or Tourist)*** shall either have;
 - (a) PCR Test done within 72hrs prior to departure.
- (iii) ***Foreign Passport Holder (Resident or Tourist)*** shall have a Negative COVID19 PCR Test Report within 72hrs prior to their departure flight.

Note: Rapid Antigen Test Reports are no longer accepted.

5. Documentation Procedures upon Arrival into Sri Lanka (For each individual Traveller)

- (i) Duly completed Health Declaration Form (Available at Check-In Counters and On Board Aircraft) to be handed over to Health Officer at Airport.
- (ii) Proof of Vaccination (Certificate/Card/Other Valid Proof).

- (iii) PCR negative test results done within 72 hours of departure (Foreign Passports and Sri Lankan Passports).

Note: Fully Vaccinated Travellers must be given a “Discharge Document” prior to leaving Quarantine.

6. Day 01 PCR Tests (On Arrival into Sri Lanka)

- (i) All Adult Travellers shall undergo a COVID19 PCR Test within 24hrs of their Arrival into Sri Lanka.
- (ii) For Travellers who are below the age of 18 Years (Minors) please refer Appendix E of this Special Direction.
- (iii) For Passengers with Special Needs and their caretakers or caretakers of Minors please refer Appendix E of this Special Direction.
- (iv) The list of approved Private Sector Laboratories is available at the Ministry of Health website (http://www.health.gov.lk/moh_final/english/news_read_more.php?id=999)

Note 01: Further PCR Tests will be done according to the different criteria met by the Traveller. See Section 1 of this Appendix (above).

Note 02: Any time a Traveller displaying symptoms of COVID19 will undergo an immediate PCR Test at the time of symptom detection.

7. Transport To & From Quarantine

- (i) All Travellers will be transported by Government Authorities or the relevant Hotel Management from the Airport to the place of Quarantine. (Designated Quarantine Hotel/Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel/Government Quarantine Centre).
- (ii) If Transferring from Quarantine to Home/Residence for Home Quarantine or Hotel Transfer (Fully Vaccinated Foreign Passport Holders), Travellers must adhere to Ministry of Health Guidelines in force and shall not use any public transportation (Bus Service, Trains etc...)
- (iii) After Discharge/Free from Quarantine, Travellers will be free to organise their own Transport Arrangements.

8. Procedures in Relation to Tourists Travelling via Sri Lanka Tourism

- (i) Please refer to Appendix D of this Special Direction
- (ii) Please visit (<https://www.srilanka.travel/helloagain/>) for more details on Tourist Travel Options.

9. Procedures In Relation to Travellers under the age of 18 Years (Minors and Young Passengers)

- (i) Please refer to **Appendix E** of this Special Direction

10. List of Designated Quarantine Hotel/Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel

- (i) For the latest list please refer to webpage
(<https://srilanka.travel/helloagain/documents/Level1Hotels/Level1HotelListt.pdf>)

11. Quarantine Period for Travellers Entering Sri Lanka.

- (i) The Quarantine Period for all Non-Vaccinated travellers entering Sri Lanka shall be a total of Fourteen (14) Days at a Quarantine Centre/ Quarantine Hotel/ Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel;
- (ii) For Diplomats and Foreign National Resident Coordinator of the United Nations/ Heads of UN Specialized agencies and International Organizations with permanent offices in Sri Lanka and having recognized Diplomatic status (See Appendix H & I of this Special Direction).
- (iii) For Travellers from High Risk/Travel Restricted countries please refer to Appendix J of this Special Direction.

Appendix B

Title: Specific Procedures in Relation to Residents of Sri Lanka who are Sri Lankan Passport Holders who have been Fully Vaccinated or Not Vaccinated.

1. General Measures & Procedures (Mandatory to All Travellers).

- (i) Please Refer to **Appendix A** of this Special Direction.
- (ii) The Procedures of this Appendix are NOT applicable to travellers from High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries. Please Refer to **Appendix J** for Procedures relating to High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries.
- (iii) Rapid Antigen Test Results are no longer accepted.

2. Applicability.

- (i) All Sri Lankan Citizens travelling on a Sri Lanka Passport
- (ii) All Dual Citizens travelling on a Sri Lankan Passport
- (iii) Sri Lankan Seafarers

Not Applicable to:

- (i) Foreign Spouse of Sri Lankan Citizens who holds a Foreign Passport (**See Appendix C of this Special Direction**).
- (ii) Unmarried Children with Foreign Citizenship who have Sri Lankan Parent(s) (**See Appendix C of this Special Direction**).

Note: Not Applicable to Tourists/those entering via Sri Lanka Tourism (See Appendix D of this Special Direction).

3. Process for Resident Sri Lankan Passport Holder who has been Fully Vaccinated.

- (i) No Approval needed from Ministry of Health, Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the Civil Aviation Authority to Enter Sri Lanka.
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure
- (iii) Proof of Vaccination (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) Arrival PCR Test on Day 01
- (vi) Mandatory Quarantine at a Quarantine Centre/Quarantine Hotel/Or a Safe & Secure Level 1 Hotel until the result of the Arrival PCR Test.
- (vii) If Arrival PCR Test is Negative, and proof of Vaccination is satisfactory to the Officer in Charge/Hotel Doctor, Fully Vaccinated traveller is released from Quarantine.
- (viii) For those travelling with Children, please refer to Appendix E of this Special Direction.
- (ix) PCR Test on Day 07 is not required if Travelling from a Low Risk Country/Non- restricted countries.

4. Process for Resident Sri Lankan Passport Holder who has been Fully Vaccinated and wants to go to the Paid Hotel Quarantine.

- (i) No Approval needed from Ministry of Health, Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the Civil Aviation Authority to Enter Sri Lanka.
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure
- (iii) Proof of Vaccination (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) Arrival PCR Test on Day 01
- (vi) For those travelling with Children, please refer to Appendix E of this Special Direction
- (vii) Release from Quarantine after Negative Result.
- (viii) PCR Test on Day 07 is not required if Travelling from a Low Risk Country/Non- restricted countries.

5. Repatriation Process for Resident Sri Lankan Passport Holder who has been Fully Vaccinated (Government Sponsored Quarantine Centre).

- (i) Approval needed from Ministry of Foreign Affairs via email: (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk)
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure
- (iii) Proof of Vaccination (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) Arrival PCR Test on Day 01
- (vi) If Arrival PCR Test is Negative, and proof of Vaccination is satisfactory to the Officer in Charge of the Government Sponsored Quarantine Centre, Fully Vaccinated traveller is released from Quarantine.
- (vii) For those travelling with Children, please refer to Appendix E of this Special Direction
- (viii) PCR Test on Day 07 is not required if Travelling from a Low Risk Country/Non- restricted countries.

6. Process for Resident Sri Lankan Passport Holder who has Not been Vaccinated/Not completed 14 days since of date of final Vaccination when departing inbound to Sri Lanka (Paid Hotel Quarantine).

- (i) No Approval needed from Ministry of Health, Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the Civil Aviation Authority to Enter Sri Lanka
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure
- (iii) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Proof of Vaccination if Available (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) Arrival PCR Test on Day 01
- (vi) Travellers who are not vaccinated shall be mandatorily quarantined for 14 days.
- (vii) Exit PCR Test report shall be made available to the Traveller on Day 14, prior to release from Quarantine.
- (viii) If the 14 day period from the final dose of the vaccine is achieved whilst in Quarantine:- the traveller can be released from Quarantine after a negative PCR test result taken on Day 14 from the time of the final vaccine dose.

7. Repatriation Process for Resident Sri Lankan Passport Holder who has Not been Vaccinated/Not completed 14 days since Vaccination when departing inbound to Sri Lanka (Government Sponsored Quarantine Centre).

- (i) Approval needed from Ministry of Foreign Affairs via email: (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk)
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure
- (iii) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Proof of Vaccination if Available (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) Arrival PCR Test on Day 01
- (vi) Exit PCR Test report shall be made available to the Traveller on Day 14, prior to release from Quarantine.
- (vii) If the 14 day period from the final dose of the vaccine is achieved whilst in Quarantine:- the traveller can be released from Quarantine after a negative PCR test result taken on Day 14 from the time of the final vaccine dose.

8. Process for Sri Lankan Passport Holder who are travelling as Tourists.

- (i) Please See **Appendix D** of this Special Direction.

9. List of Designated Quarantine Hotel/Safe& Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel.

- (i) For the latest list please refer to webpage
(<https://srilanka.travel/helloagain/documents/Level1Hotels/Level1HotelListt.pdf>)

10. Procedures in Relations to Travelling Children under 18 years.

- (i) Please refer to **Appendix E** of this Special Direction.

Appendix C

Title: Specific Procedures in Relation to Foreign Passport Holders (who are Residents of Sri Lanka) who have been Fully Vaccinated or Not Vaccinated.

1. General Measures & Procedures (Mandatory to All Travellers)

- (i) Please Refer to **Appendix A** of this Special Direction.
- (ii) The Procedures of this Appendix are NOT applicable to travellers from High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries. Please Refer to **Appendix J** for Procedures relating to High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries.
- (iii) Rapid Antigen Test Results are no longer accepted.

2. Applicability

- (i) All Traveller travelling on a Foreign Passport who have a Residence Visa in Sri Lanka.
- (ii) All Dual Citizens travelling on a Foreign Passport.
- (iii) Foreign Spouse of Sri Lankan Citizens.
- (iv) Unmarried Children with Foreign Citizenship who have Sri Lankan Parent(s).

Note: Not Applicable to Tourists/those entering via Sri Lanka Tourism (See Appendix D of this Special Direction).

3. Process for Resident Foreign Passport Holder who has been Fully Vaccinated (Paid Hotel Quarantine).

- (i) Approval needed from Ministry of Foreign Affairs via email: (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk)
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure
- (iii) Proof of Vaccination (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) Arrival PCR Test on Day 01
- (vi) Released from Hotel Quarantine after Day 01 negative PCR test result.
- (vii) PCR Test on Day 07 is not required if Travelling from a Low Risk Country/Non- restricted countries.

4. Process for Resident Foreign Passport Holder who has been Fully Vaccinated (Government Sponsored Quarantine Centre)

- (i) Government Sponsored Quarantine is only for Sri Lankan Passport Holders.

5. Process for Resident Foreign Passport Holder who has Not been Vaccinated/Not completed 14 days since Vaccination when departing inbound to Sri Lanka (Paid Hotel Quarantine).

- (i) Approval required from Ministry of Foreign Affairs via email: (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk)
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure

- (iii) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Proof of Vaccination if Available (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) Arrival PCR Test on Day 01
- (vi) Exit PCR Test report shall be made available to the Traveller on Day 14, prior to release from Quarantine.
- (vii) If the 14 day period from the final dose of the vaccine is achieved whilst in Quarantine:- the traveller can be released from Quarantine after a negative PCR test result taken on Day 14 from the time of the final vaccine dose.

6. Process for Foreign Passport Holder who is travelling as a Tourist.

- (i) Please See **Appendix D** of this Special Direction.

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Appendix D

Title: Specific Procedures in Relation to those travelling as Tourists who are Sri Lankan Passport Holders or Foreign Passport Holders who have been Fully Vaccinated or Not Vaccinated.

1. General Measures & Procedures (Mandatory to All Travellers).

- (i) Please Refer to **Appendix A** of this Special Direction.
- (ii) The Procedures of this Appendix are NOT applicable to travellers from High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries. Please Refer to **Appendix J** for Procedures relating to High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries.
- (iii) Please visit <https://www.srilanka.travel/helloagain/> for more details pertaining to Tourist measures.
- (iv) Rapid Antigen Test Results are no longer accepted.

2. Applicability.

- (i) Sri Lankan Citizens on a Sri Lankan Passport
- (ii) Foreign Citizens on a Foreign Passport

3. Travel Bubble (Bio-Secure Travel Bubble Concept).

- (i) Please visit (<https://www.srilanka.travel/helloagain/>) for further details on the Travel Bubble Concept and places a Tourist can visit during this time.

4. List of Designated Quarantine Hotel/Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel.

- (i) For the latest list please refer to (<https://srilanka.travel/helloagain/documents/Level1Hotels/Level1HotelListt.pdf>)

5. Process for Tourist who has been Fully Vaccinated (Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel Quarantine).

- (i) Authorization required from Sri Lanka Tourism via website (<https://www.srilanka.travel/helloagain/>)
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure
- (iii) Proof of Vaccination (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) Day 01 PCR test shall be done and released from Quarantine, if PCR Test is negative.
- (vi) PCR Test on Day 07 is not required if travelling from a Low Risk Country/Non- restricted countries.

6. Process for Tourist who has been Fully Vaccinated (Government Sponsored Quarantine Centre).

- (i) Government Sponsored Quarantine is not applicable for Tourists.

7. Process for Tourists who have not been vaccinated or have not completed 14 days since Vaccination when departing inbound to Sri Lanka (Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel Quarantine).

- (i) Authorization required from Sri Lanka Tourism via website (<https://www.srilanka.travel/helloagain/>)
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure
- (iii) Proof of Vaccination if Available (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) Arrival PCR Test on Day 01
- (vi) Allowed to other Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotels in a bio-secure travel bubble and visit Tourist sites after a negative result from the PCR Test on Day 01.
- (vii) If tourist staying in Sri Lanka for less than (14) fourteen days, a second PCR test will be done only if required for further travel. (Airline or Destination Country Restrictions etc...).
- (viii) Exit PCR Test report shall be made available to the tourist on Day 14, prior to release from Quarantine, if the tourist stays more than 14 Days in Sri Lanka and is free from quarantined restrictions.
- (ix) If the 14 day period from the final dose of the vaccine is achieved whilst in Quarantine:- the traveller can be released from Quarantine after a negative PCR test result taken on Day 14 from the time of the final vaccine dose.

8. Procedures In Relation to Travelling Children under 18 years

- (i) Please refer to **Appendix E** of this Special Direction.

Appendix E

Title: Specific Procedures (irrespective of Passport Category) in Relation to travellers below the age of 18 years (Minors) and Caretakers of Children or Special Needs Passengers who have been Fully Vaccinated or Not Vaccinated.

1. General Measures & Procedures (Mandatory to All Travellers).

- (i) Please Refer to **Appendix A** of this Special Direction
- (ii) The Procedures of this Appendix are NOT applicable to travellers from High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries. Please Refer to **Appendix J** for Procedures relating to High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries.
- (iii) Rapid Antigen Test Results are no longer accepted.

2. List of Designated Quarantine Hotel/Safe& Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel.

- (i) For the latest list please refer to
<https://srilanka.travel/helloagain/documents/Level1Hotels/Level1HotelListt.pdf>

3. Applicability.

- (i) Infants (Below 2 years of Age)
- (ii) Children (Age 2 to 12 years)
- (iii) Teenagers (Age above 12 years to 18 years)
- (iv) Adult Caretakers accompanying a minor (point i to iii above)
- (v) Adult Caretakers accompanying an adult with special needs.

4. Pre-Departure COVID-19 PCR Test for Minors.

- (i) All Minors of the age of 2 years and above shall be required to have a negative PCR Test Result done within 72hrs prior to Departure.

5. PCR Tests on arrival (Day 01) to Sri Lanka relating to Minors.

- (i) Children under the Age of 02 years (Infants) are exempted from the PCR Test on Day 01 and exit PCR Tests.
- (ii) If the children continue to be quarantined at an institution (Quarantine Hotel/Quarantine Centre/ Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel), Children below 12 years of age will be exempted from the Day 01 arrival PCR test.
- (iii) Children between the Ages of 12 to 18 (Teenagers) shall undergo a COVID19 PCR Test within 24hrs of their Arrival into Sri Lanka.
- (iv) All Children above the age of 2 years shall undergo the Exit PCR Test before being released from Quarantine.

6. Process relating to Minors in quarantine.

- (i) If at any time an accompanying traveller (Parent, sibling or family) is tested positive for COVID19, then the Minor shall undergo a PCR Test.
- (ii) Teenagers are subject to the same quarantine rules as adults depending on the status of their vaccination (Fully Vaccinated or Not Vaccinated).

- (iii) Exit PCR Test report shall be made available to the Traveller on Day 14, prior to release from Quarantine.
- (iv) Unvaccinated Minors between the ages of 02 to 18 years, who have been released with Fully Vaccinated parents/guardians/caretakers, shall undergo a COVID-19 PCR test on Day 07 from a Ministry of Health approved laboratory.

7. Process relating to Caretakers accompanying minor(s) or an adult with special needs.

- (i) If at any time an accompanying traveller (Parent, sibling or family) is tested positive for COVID19, then the minor(s) shall undergo a PCR Test.
- (ii) A Fully Vaccinated Caretaker, must remain for the full duration of quarantine with the child or adult in his/her care until the care recipient is discharged from quarantine.
- (iii) A Fully Vaccinated Caretaker shall do a PCR test on Day 01 prior to leaving quarantine.

Appendix F

Title: Specific Procedures in Relation to Airline Crew based in Sri Lanka and Foreign Airline Crew on a Layover in Sri Lanka

Note: To Sri Lankan AOC Holders: The procedures in this Appendix (F) shall not supersede or over-rule the Regulations and Rules as per Implementing Standard 054 or SLCAP 4210 or the Approved Operator Flight Operations Manual.

PART A – Applicable to Sri Lankan AOC Holders & Foreign Airlines Operating into Sri Lanka

1. General Measures & Procedures (Mandatory to All Crew)

- (i) All Pilots & Cabin Crew to wear recommended PPE (Personnel Protective Equipment) as per the public health measures stipulated by the Ministry of Health, Sri Lanka
- (ii) All Crew who have been vaccinated must carry Original Vaccination Certificate/Card in English. If the Certificate/Card is not in English, a certified English translation must be in possession.
- (iii) Crew Members in Quarantine to adhere the public health measures of the Ministry of Health protocols
- (iv) If a crew member is positive for COVID19 or displays symptoms of COVID19, Airline Authorities/ Airline Doctor should take measures to admit the crew member to an Intermediate Care Centre operated by a Private Hospital as per Ministry of Health instructions. This is to be informed to the Epidemiology Unit via emails chepid@slt.net.lk and samithag@hotmail.com
- (v) Airlines to take measure to monitor and supervise the adherence of crew to COVID19 preventive measures
- (vi) Airline crew who has been in immediate close contact with a COVID19 patient shall not be enrolled for duty.
- (vii) The area MOH to be informed if any crew member is febrile or displays symptoms of COVID19.
- (viii) Airline Crew must submit a completed Health Declaration Form upon Arrival to the Health Counters at the Airport.

PART B – Applicable only to Sri Lankan AOC Holders

1. General Measures & Procedures (Mandatory to All Crew)

- (i) Please Refer Part A of this **Appendix F** (above).
- (ii) Any staff on duty not being a part of the Tech Crew or Cabin Crew who passenger in the Cabin on an ad hoc basis, shall obtain permission from the Company Medical Officer with regards to the health measures.

2. Local Airlines to Inform Sri Lanka Epidemiology Unit of Crew Details

The following details are to be sent on the day of crew Arriving to Sri Lanka to chepid@slt.net.lk and samithag@hotmail.com of all pilots and cabin crew members who are sent on Lay-Over flights originating from Sri Lanka, if undergoing mandatory quarantine for seven days;

- (i) Name
- (ii) Designation
- (iii) Home Address
- (iv) Contact Telephone Number
- (v) Date of Arrival
- (vi) Arriving Flight Number
- (vii) Country of Departure (where the crew had the layover)
- (viii) COVID19 Vaccination Dates
- (ix) Name of COVID19 Vaccination

3. Crew who are Fully Vaccinated (Final Dose of Vaccine + 14 days).

- (i) The Airline must verify the certificate or proof of vaccination of the Crew Member
- (ii) The Airline shall organise a Day 01 PCR test for the Crew Member on arrival.
- (iii) If the crew member has a negative PCR Test result for a PCR Test done within the last 48hrs, no Arrival PCR test is required. This Test result must be shown to the Health Officers at the Health Counters on Arrival. This does not apply to Covid19 Antigen or Antibody Test Results.
- (iv) If a Day 01 PCR test is conducted, the crew member shall remain in home quarantine until a negative result is obtained.
- (v) Crew who are free from Quarantine should do a Day 07 PCR test and submit it to the local area health officials.

4. Crew Members on Passenger/Ferry/Cargo flights originating out of Sri Lanka

- (i) See General Measures & Procedures above
- (ii) PPE to be worn when in contact with passengers and throughout on passenger flights.
- (iii) Crew members on turn-around **Non-Passenger flights (Ferry or Cargo)** will not be subject to Quarantine after returning to Sri Lanka.

5. Turn-Around Flights with Passengers originating out of Sri Lanka.

- (i) Pilots & Cabin Crew on a Passenger flight – No PCR Test on return to Sri Lanka
- (ii) Pilots shall not be home quarantined after arrival to Sri Lanka.
- (iii) However subject to PCR Test on Day 07 from last flight or if displaying symptoms of COVID19, immediate PCR Test.
- (iv) Duration between tests if the pilot has been working, shall not exceed 14 days.
- (v) Cabin Crew shall be home quarantined for seven (07) days. PCR Test on Day 07 or immediately if symptoms appear.

(vi) Pilots & Cabin Crew cannot be enrolled for duty until a negative PCR Test result is obtained.

6. Layover flights with Passengers/Ferry/Cargo originating out of Sri Lanka

- (i) On layover to be confined to Hotel Room with meals delivered to the room.
- (ii) Dedicated vehicle only for crew at layover station for transport to and from airport.
- (iii) Pilots and Cabin Crew shall be quarantined for 07 days and shall not be rostered for flights during quarantine.
- (iv) If layover longer than 48 hours, Airline to arrange PCR Tests on Day 01.
- (v) All crew to have PCR Test on Day 07 or immediately if symptoms are displayed.
- (vi) All crew released from Home Quarantine only after negative result of Day 07 PCR Test.

7. Passenger Flights with Layovers less than 48hrs in China, Singapore or Australia (Subject to change by Ministry of Health at short notice)

- (i) Pilots will not be subject to home quarantine.
- (ii) Pilots to do PCR Test on Day 07 from return to Sri Lanka or immediately if displaying symptoms.
- (iii) If Pilot has been rostered continuously, the period between PCR tests cannot exceed 14 days.

Note: This rule is subject to change depending on the health situation in those countries mentioned.

8. Passenger Flights with Layovers less than 48hrs in Countries (except China, Singapore or Australia) (Subject to change by Ministry of Health at short notice)

- (i) Pilots to undergo 07 days home quarantine.
- (ii) Pilots can be rostered for another flying duty during this home quarantine period.
- (iii) If a Pilot has been rostered for another flying duty during his home quarantine, he needs to be quarantined for a period of seven (07) days from the date of he finally arrives in Sri Lanka.
- (iv) PCR Test on Day 07 after final flight or immediately if symptoms are displayed.
- (v) If Pilot has been rostered continuously, the period between PCR tests cannot exceed 14 days.

Note: This rule is subject to change depending on the health situation in those countries mentioned.

PART C – Applicable to Foreign Airlines Operating into Sri Lanka

1. General Measures & Procedures (Mandatory to All Crew)

- (i) Please Refer to Part A to this Appendix F (See above)

2. Foreign Airline Crew (Operating into Sri Lanka with a Foreign Carrier)

Foreign airline crew members shall adhere to the following guidelines in addition to General Measures.

- (i) It is mandatory for the foreign airline crew members arriving into Sri Lanka to carry a negative COVID-19 test result in English language done within 72 hours prior to embarkation.
- (ii) All crew members should undergo quarantine in an approved hotel for airline crew members.
- (iii) If crew layover for less than 72hrs, and the crew are confined to the Hotel Premises, the crew then do not require a PCR Test on arrival (Day 01)
- (iv) If layover for 72 hours or more in Sri Lanka, on arrival (Day One) PCR test shall be done and the crew (not vaccinated) shall be quarantined at the hotel until they depart from Sri Lanka.
- (v) After sample collection, for any operational reason the crew member can be released for a return flight without the result of the test.

3. Foreign Airline Crew who have been Fully Vaccinated (Final dose of Vaccine + 14 Days).

- (i) On arrival into Sri Lanka, conducts a Day 01 PCR Test at the designated hotel.
- (ii) If the layover is less than 72hrs, the crew does not need to do a Day 01 PCR Test, but in this case must remain in the hotel until departure.
- (iii) Crew who have a negative PCR Test shall be released from quarantine.
- (iv) If the crew member is staying for longer than 7 days, a PCR test is to be conducted on Day 07.

4. If Foreign Crew Member becomes COVID19 positive.

- (i) If the Airline Undertakes to take the positive crew member back to the Airlines Home Base whilst adhering to COVID19 Preventive measures, the positive Crew Member can be released directly for the return flight by adhering to appropriate preventive measures.
- (ii) If the Airline does not have any such undertaking, the positive crew member will be admitted to an Intermediate Care Centre operated by a Ministry of Health approved hospital after being informed by the Hotel Doctor or the Airline Station Staff.
- (iii) If the Crew member has already departed for the return flight, no action will be taken, the Airline will be informed, and the Crew member may proceed with the return flight adhering to appropriate preventive measures.

Appendix G

Title: Procedures for Commercially Important Persons & Business Travellers flying into Sri Lanka who have been Fully Vaccinated or Not Vaccinated.

1. General Measures & Procedures (Mandatory to All Travellers).

- (i) Please refer to **Appendix A** of this Special Direction.
- (iv) The Procedures of this Appendix are NOT applicable to travellers from High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries. Please Refer to **Appendix J** for Procedures relating to High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries.
- (v) Rapid Antigen Test Results are no longer accepted.

2. Applicability.

- (i) Foreign Passport Holders who are not residents in Sri Lanka
- (ii) All Dual Citizens travelling on a Foreign Passport
- (iii) Foreign Spouse of Sri Lankan Citizens

3. Purpose.

- (i) For Foreign nationals who require access to enter Sri Lanka for purposes of business for important projects, meetings, negotiations, discussions etc.
- (ii) Business Travellers invited by the Government of Sri Lanka.
- (iii) Business Travellers invited by a Private Organisation/Business Venture.
- (iv) The Sri Lankan counterpart/ Host entity of the Business Traveller shall ensure that the Business Traveller remains within a travel secure bubble for the entire duration of quarantine as applicable (depending on vaccinations status and PCR test results).

4. Approval Process.

- (i) Approval to be obtained via email to Ministry of Foreign Affairs
entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk)
- (ii) Ministry of Foreign Affairs to be informed of the purpose of visit and the letter of invitation from the Sri Lankan counterpart/host entity.
- (iii) Approval and Travel via Sri Lanka Tourism is not available for Business Travellers.

5. Process for Business Traveller who has been Fully Vaccinated (Paid Hotel Quarantine).

- (i) Approval needed from Ministry of Foreign Affairs via email: (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk)
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure
- (iii) Proof of Vaccination (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) PCR Test on Day 01 (Arrival PCR Test)
- (vi) Release from Quarantine after Negative Result from Day 01 PCR Test

6. Process for Business Traveller who has not been Vaccinated/Not completed 14 days since Vaccination when departing inbound to Sri Lanka (Paid Hotel Quarantine).

- (i) Approval required from Ministry of Foreign Affairs via email: (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk)
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure
- (iii) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Proof of Vaccination if Available (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) PCR Test on Day 01 (Arrival PCR Test)
- (vi) Exit PCR Test report shall be made available to the Traveller on Day 14, prior to release from Quarantine.
- (vii) If the 14 day period from the final dose of the vaccine is achieved whilst in Quarantine:- the traveller can be released from Quarantine after a negative PCR test result taken on Day 14 from the time of the final vaccine dose.

Appendix H

Title: Procedures for Staff of Diplomatic Missions & UN Organisations who are Foreign Nationals in Sri Lanka.

1. Applicability.

- (i) The Procedures of this Appendix are NOT applicable to travellers from High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries. Please Refer to **Appendix J** for Procedures relating to High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries.
- (ii) Foreign Nationals who are Staff of Diplomatic Mission or UN Organisations
- (iii) Travelling on a Diplomatic Passport/ UN Passport/ Official Passport
- (iv) Parents, spouses and children accompanying the above
- (v) Rapid Antigen Test Results are no longer accepted.

2. Approval Process.

- (i) Approval to be obtained via email to Ministry of Foreign Affairs
entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk)
- (ii) Diplomatic Travellers must stay at a Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotels.
- (iii) For the latest list please refer to
(<https://srilanka.travel/helloagain/documents/Level1Hotels/Level1HotelListt.pdf>)

3. General Process Prior to Travel (PCR Tests, Vaccinations & Airport Process).

- (i) The Diplomatic Traveller (and any approved person accompanying the Traveller) must have the original Certificate/Card indicating that all necessary doses of a COVID19 Vaccination have been received (if available). This Certificate/Card must be in English or a certified English Translation.
- (ii) A PCR Test with a negative result must be obtained by all Travellers within 72hrs prior to their departure flight into Sri Lanka.
- (iii) At the Airport, handover the duly completed Health Declaration Form (Available on-board the flight), the Vaccination Certificate to the Health Officials.
- (iv) Diplomatic Mission/Respective Organisation/Agency/ Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel shall organise transport (via private/official vehicle) the travellers directly to their residence/Hotels for quarantine.

4. Process for Diplomatic Traveller who has been Fully Vaccinated.

- (i) Please refer Section 5 below. Same procedure is applied for the fully vaccinated Diplomatic travellers.

5. Process for Diplomatic Traveller who have not been vaccinated.

- (i) Approval required from Ministry of Foreign Affairs via email: (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk)

- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to their departure flight into Sri Lanka.
- (iii) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Proof of Vaccination if Available (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) Foreign National staff members holding Diplomatic Passports in Residence Diplomatic Missions of countries which have established diplomatic relations with Sri Lanka and their accompanying parents, spouse and children/ Foreign National Resident Coordinator of the United Nations/ Heads of UN Specialized Agencies & International organizations with Permanent offices in Sri Lanka and having recognized diplomatic status/ their accompanying parents, spouse and children shall undergo mandatory quarantine until completion of 14 days at a residence (Approval shall be obtained from the area MOH) arranged by the Diplomatic Mission/ Respective organization/ agency in Sri Lanka or Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel or Quarantine Hotel.
- (vi) Arrival PCR Test on Day 01 (all travellers over 02 years of age)
- (vii) Exit PCR Test anytime between Day 11 and Day 14 (all travellers over 02 years of age)
- (viii) If staying at a Residence arranged by the Diplomatic Mission/ Respective organization/ agency/ Quarantine Hotel/ Safe & Secure Certified Level 01 Hotel, and travelling with Children please refer to **Appendix E of this Special Direction 020**.
- (ix) If at any time a Travellers if feeling febrile or displaying symptoms of COVID19 and immediate PCR Test is to be done. If this test result is Positive, the Diplomatic Mission/Organisation and the Area Health Officers are to be informed immediately for further health measures as per the Ministry of Health directions in force.

Appendix I

Title: Procedures for Staff of Diplomatic Missions & UN Organisations who are Sri Lankan Nationals.

1. Applicability

- (i) The Procedures of this Appendix are NOT applicable to travellers from High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries. Please Refer to **Appendix J** for Procedures relating to High Risk/Travel Restricted Countries.
- (ii) Sri Lankan Nationals who are Staff of Diplomatic Mission or UN Organisations
- (iii) Travelling on a Diplomatic Passport/ UN Passport/ Official Passport
- (iv) Parents, spouses and children accompanying the above
- (v) Rapid Antigen Test Results are no longer accepted.

2. Approval Process.

- (i) The Sri Lankan Nationals who are Diplomatic Travellers may seek for an approval from the Director General of Health Services (dghs@health.gov.lk) to stay at a Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel.

3. General Process Prior to Travel (PCR Tests, Vaccinations & Airport Process).

- (i) Obtain the Approval for Quarantine from the Director General of Health Services.
- (ii) The Diplomatic Traveller (and any approved person accompanying the Traveller) must have the original Certificate/Card indicating that all necessary doses of a COVID19 Vaccination have been received (if available). This Certificate/Card must be in English or a certified English Translation.
- (iii) A PCR Test with a negative result must be obtained by all Travellers within 72hrs prior to their departure flight into Sri Lanka.
- (iv) At the Airport, handover the duly completed Health Declaration Form (Available on-board the flight) and the Vaccinated Certificate to the Health Officials.
- (v) When staying at a Safe & Secure Certified Level 1 Hotel, the Hotel shall organise to transport the travellers directly to the Hotel for quarantine.

4. Process for Diplomatic Traveller who has been Fully Vaccinated.

- (i) Please read **Appendix A** of this Special Direction in relation to Vaccination Criteria
- (ii) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to Departure
- (iii) Proof of Vaccination (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (v) Arrival PCR Test on Day 01 (All travellers over 02 years of age)
- (vi) Mandatory Quarantine at a Quarantine Centre/Quarantine Hotel/Or a Safe & Secure Level 1 Hotel until the result of the Arrival PCR Test.

- (vii) If on Arrival PCR Test is Negative, and proof of Vaccination is satisfactory to the Officer in Charge/Hotel Doctor, Fully Vaccinated traveller is released from Quarantine.
- (viii) Release from Quarantine after Negative Result from Day 01 PCR Test
- (ix) If staying at a Quarantine Hotel/Safe & Secure Certified Level 01 Hotel, and travelling with Children please refer to **Appendix E** of this Special Direction.
- (x) If at any time a Traveller is feeling febrile or displaying symptoms of COVID19 and immediate PCR Test is to be done. If this test result is Positive, the Diplomatic Mission/Organisation and the Area Health Officers are to be informed immediately for further health measures as per the Ministry of Health directions in force.

5. Process for Diplomatic Traveller who has Not been Vaccinated/Not completed 14 days since Vaccination when departing inbound to Sri Lanka (Hotel Quarantine)

- (i) PCR Test within 72hrs prior to
- (ii) Health Declaration Form (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iii) Proof of Vaccination if Available (On Arrival At Airport)
- (iv) PCR Test on Day 01 (all travellers over 02 years of age)
- (v) Exit PCR Test report shall be made available to the Traveller on Day 14, prior to release from Quarantine.
- (vi) If the 14 day period from the final dose of the vaccine is achieved whilst in Quarantine:- the traveller(s) can be released from Quarantine after a negative PCR test result taken on Day 14 from the time of the final vaccine dose.
- (vii) If staying at a Quarantine Hotel/Safe & Secure Certified Level 01 Hotel, and travelling with Children please refer to **Appendix E** of this Special Direction.
- (viii) If at any time a Traveller is feeling febrile or displaying symptoms of COVID19 and immediate PCR Test is to be done. If this test result is Positive, the Diplomatic Mission/Organisation and the Area Health Officers are to be informed immediately for further health measures as per the Ministry of Health directions in force.

Appendix J

Title: Procedures for Travellers from Travel Restricted/High Risk Countries.

1. General Measures & Procedures (Mandatory to All Travellers)

- (i) Please refer to Appendix A of this Special Direction if Section 2 of this Appendix J does not apply to the Traveller.
- (ii) Rapid Antigen Test Results are no longer accepted.

2. Travel Restricted Countries as per the Ministry of Health (15th July 2021)

The following Countries are considered to be High Risk, and a passenger with a Travel history (including transit) in the past 14 days will not be permitted to disembark in Sri Lanka unless special approval has been granted:

- (i) India
- (ii) Countries of the continent of South America
- (iii) South Africa
- (iv) Angola
- (v) Botswana
- (vi) Lesotho
- (vii) Mozambique
- (viii) Namibia
- (ix) Swaziland
- (x) Zambia
- (xi) Zimbabwe

Note: In the event of any change to this list, the latest list from the Ministry of Health of Sri Lanka shall be applicable (at the time of the Traveller's Arrival to Sri Lanka)

3. Approval Process for Travellers from Travel Restricted/High Risk Countries or Transited at Travel Restricted Countries.

- (i) ***(Resident) Sri Lankan Passport Holder*** (Sri Lankan Citizen/Dual Citizen) and their Foreign National Spouses shall submit *copies of their Passports* when applying for permission from the Director General of Health Services/Ministry of Health (dghs@health.gov.lk) and followed by the permission of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk) and the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka (caaslpax@caa.lk).
- (ii) ***(Resident) Foreign Passport Holder*** (Foreign National with valid resident visa) shall submit *a copy of the passport and a copy of the valid Resident Visa* when applying for permission from the Director General of Health Services/Ministry of Health (dghs@health.gov.lk) and followed by the permission of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

(entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk) and the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka (caaslpax@caa.lk)

- (iii) **(Tourist) Foreign Passport Holder** will not be given approval at this time.
- (iv) **(Business) Foreign Passport Holder** (Any foreign passport holder) wishing to enter Sri Lanka for purposes of business (Projects/Meetings/Discussions etc..) by invitation of the Government of Sri Lanka or any Private Organisation ***shall require an approval request to be submitted by the Inviting Sri Lankan Counterpart*** when applying for permission from the Director General of Health Services/Ministry of Health (dghs@health.gov.lk) and followed by the permission of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk) and the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka (caaslpax@caa.lk) with specific details in a letter of invitation from the Sri Lanka host/counterpart with a copy of the passport.
(Please refer to Appendix G of this Special Direction)
- (v) **Staff of Diplomatic Missions & UN organizations who are foreign nationals in Sri Lanka** – (organisations with permanent offices in Sri Lanka and who hold Diplomatic/UN/Official Passports) and their accompanying spouse, parents and children from Restricted Countries or Transited at Travel Restricted Counties shall submit a copy of the passport and a copy of the Official Identity Card when applying for permission from the Director General of Health Services/Ministry of Health (dghs@health.gov.lk) and followed by the permission of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (entry.permission@mfa.gov.lk) and the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka (caaslpax@caa.lk)
- (vi) **Staff of Diplomatic Missions and UN organizations who are Sri Lankan Nationals** – are not granted permission at this time.

4. Quarantine Restrictions for Sri Lankan Passport Holders (Irrespective of Vaccination Status).

- (i) Applicable to all Sri Lankan Citizens/Dual Citizens (and their Foreign National Spouse)
- (ii) They shall have approval (Refer to Section 03 Point (i) of this Appendix) to arrive from Travel Restricted countries (Refer to the list at Section 02 of this Appendix).
- (iii) Safe & Secure Level One Hotels **cannot** be used for Quarantine of Traveller from High Risk Countries.
- (iv) Mandatory Institutional Quarantine at a Quarantine Hotel, OR
- (v) Mandatory Institutional Quarantine at a Quarantine Centre where the Centre's facilities are available to ensure that the Traveller is separated from Travellers arriving from another country.
- (vi) Released from Institutional Quarantine after a negative PCR Test Result on Day 14 of arrival into Sri Lanka.

5. Quarantine Restrictions for Foreign Passport Holders (Irrespective of Vaccination Status).

- (i) Applicable to all Foreign Nationals.

- (ii) They should have approval (Refer to Section 03 Point (ii) of this Appendix) to arrive from Travel Restricted countries (Refer to the list at Section 02 of this Appendix)
- (iii) Safe & Secure Level One Hotels **cannot** be used for Quarantine of Traveller from High Risk Countries.
- (iv) Mandatory Institutional Quarantine at a Quarantine Hotel for 14 Days.
- (v) Released from Institutional Quarantine after a negative PCR Test Result on Day 14 of arrival into Sri Lanka.