

COVID-19 INFORMATION - REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA

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MANDATORY SANITARY PROVISIONS

Considering that the World Health Organization (WHO) has recognized one (1) new variant of concern (VOC) of SARS- CoV-2 (OMICRON) identified in the African Continent (originally detected in the Republic of South Africa) with more transmissibility and potentially more severity.

That the Technical Advisory Group of the World Health Organization (WHO) indicated that OMICRON shows multiple mutations, some of which suggest a higher risk of reinfection than other variants, and warned that the number of cases is increasing in the African continent, where the vaccination rate is low, and at faster rates than previous infection bursts.

That preliminary information would indicate an increased risk of transmission and reinfection compared to other variants.

In light of this,

ENTRY AND EXIT REQUIREMENTS:

Anyone who comes from or has been in the African continent or in the affected areas defined by the National Health Authority within the last fourteen (14) days prior to entering the country will be subject to compliance with current immigration requirements and the set of mandatory health provisions listed below:

- a) Notify in the electronic Affidavit whether the travellers came from or has been, within the last 14 days prior to entering the country, in any of the affected areas defined by the National Health Authority: <http://ddjj.migraciones.gob.ar/app>
- b) Have completed the vaccination schedule at least fourteen (14) days before entering the country. People will have to record this in the electronic affidavit required by the National Directorate of Migrations <http://ddjj.migraciones.gob.ar/app>. Affidavit has to be completed within 48 hours of their travel.
- c) PCR negative result for COVID-19 -regardless of the age of the traveler- must be attached at the time of completing the mentioned Affidavit, and presented at the time of boarding. It must be conducted within 72hs prior to the trip.
- d) Take an antigen test upon arrival in the country.
- e) Carry out the quarantine provided for in article 7, paragraph d) of Decree No 260/20 and its amending and complementary regulations, and carry out a PCR test on the tenth day

after taking a sample of the PCR test at origin, the result of which it must be negative, as a condition of completion of the mandatory isolation.

- f) Those non-residents foreigner must also add to the aforementioned requirements, the travel Insurance that includes coverage for COVID-19 care throughout the country, including hospitalization services and, when appropriate, isolation, without limitations or exclusions throughout the whole stay

The National Administration of Civil Aviation will maintain the suspension of the authorizations and permits that have been arranged, in respect of the air transport of passengers operations in direct flights that originate from the African continent, in response to the detection of the new variant of the virus.

The latest Presidential order can be found in the following site

<https://www.boletinoficial.gob.ar/detalleAviso/primera/253550/20211129>

COVID-19 TESTING:

While Argentine government authorities may only test symptomatic patients, you may obtain COVID-19 tests at many private labs (diagnósticos/laboratorios) at your own cost by appointment.

The following is suggested labs providing testing in the Buenos Aires area:

- g) Diagnostico Rossi: www.cdrossi.com
Tel: 15-6640-2020
 - h) Laboratorio Hidalgo Email: info@laboratoriohidalgo.com
Tel: 11-4898-5300
 - i) Diagnostico Maipú <https://www.diagnosticomaipu.com/>
Tel: 15-5592-5256
 - j) Centralab Arenales 2720 CABA
<https://www.centralab.com.ar/pacientes>
 - k) Laboratorio Hidalgo (Atención domingos y feriados)
Email: info@laboratoriohidalgo.com
Tel: 11-4898-5300
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