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HEALTH TRAVEL ADVISORY

NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-2019)

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

ALL TRAVELLERS ENTERING SAMOA MUST NOTE THE FOLLOWING **REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1. A Special Health Declaration Form is required to be filled out by all travelling passengers inflight or on arrival in to Samoa.
- 2. Compulsory screening of all arriving passengers to Samoa is now in effect at all ports of entry.
- 3. All Travelers originating **FROM or TRANSITING** through;
 - a. Mainland CHINA,

e. SINGAPORE f. THAILAND

b. HONG KONG c. MACAU

d. JAPAN

- g. SOUTH KOREA
- h. ITALY

Must spend at least 14 days self-quarantine at country of last port that is free of the 2019 Novel Coronavirus and must undergo medical clearance within (3) days prior to final route to Samoa. This must be their final stop before travelling to Samoa. All Travelers before entering Samoa are required to be tested for the Coronavirus (COVID-2019). In the event you arrive within the 14 day period as noted above, You will be Returned to the country of last Port before arrival in to Samoa.

4. ALL Travellers Originating From or Transiting Through the listed countries and States in the table below are required to undergo medical examination by a Registered Medical Practitioner within (3) days before ARRIVAL. This medical clearance is required for check-in prior to issuing of boarding passes.

Country/Region	Country/Region
Taiwan	USA - California
Malaysia	France
Australia	Germany
Vietnam	Canada
United Arab Emirates	Iran

- 5. Updated lists will be available every week on the Government of Samoa and Samoa Ministry of Health websites and depending on New Information's available.
- 6. It is now advised that All Cruise Ships will not be granted entry into Samoa until further notice.
- 7. All sea port entries will be screened at the quarantine buoy before the vessel docks at the wharf.

All TRAVELLERS OUT OF SAMOA:

- 1. It is strongly recommended that all persons intending to travel to China and any country affected by the 2019 Novel Coronavirus postpone their travel arrangements unless necessary.
- 2. Be aware of the signs and symptoms of 2019 Novel Coronavirus which include: fever, cough, shortness of breath and breathing difficulties

3. Preventive measures should be adhered to at all times in the event that travel cannot be postponed.

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