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The following circular is hereby promulgated for information, guidance and necessary action.

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RESUMPTION OF INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL

Following the resumption of scheduled and non-scheduled passenger flights into Kenya and on transit through international airports, the following guidelines shall apply:

1. All arriving passengers on international flights who are fully vaccinated shall be exempt from the requirement of a PCR test.
2. All eligible unvaccinated travelers arriving at any port of entry into Kenya must have a negative COVID-19 PCR test result conducted within 72 hours before departure, regardless of their route of entry. Travelers below the age of five (5) years are exempt from this requirement.
3. Unvaccinated travelers arriving at any point of entry shall be subjected to a rapid antigen test at their own cost of 30 USD. Any person who tests positive on antigen RDT will be subjected to PCR test at their own further cost of 50 USD and self-isolate. Travelers below the age of five (5) years are exempt from this test requirement.
4. COVID-19 travel requirements can be found on the KCAA website: <https://www.kcaa.or.ke/covid-19/covid-19-travel-requirement>.
5. All arriving passengers must be fully vaccinated before entry into Kenya. The following categories of travelers are exempt from this requirement:
 - a. Travelers with medical conditions precluding vaccination. Such persons shall be required to provide a letter from a recognized medical practitioner detailing the medical reason precluding vaccination.
 - b. Travelers who have recovered from an active COVID-19 infection or received convalescent plasma in the preceding 90 days. Such persons shall be required to provide a letter from a recognized medical practitioner showing that the person may have recovered from an active infection in the preceding 90 days.
6. Returning unvaccinated Kenyans who have difficulties accessing vaccines in their current country of residence must be prepared to be vaccinated immediately upon entry and must register for vaccination on chanjo-ke platform before departure. Proof of registration shall be required before entry into the country.
7. There will be no paper verification of COVID-19 test results and vaccination certificates upon arrival in Kenya. Airlines should ensure that all travelers have uploaded both documents into global haven before boarding via www.globalhaven.org.
8. All travelers arriving at any port of entry into Kenya will be required to fill the passenger locator form on the 'jitenge' platform. Airlines are advised to allow passengers onboard to use paper passenger locator forms whenever the "jitenge" platform may be down. Port health officers shall clear passengers upon arrival into Kenya.
9. Pre-departure RDT testing may be considered at the discretion of any of the airlines departing from or terminating in Kenya.
10. For those passengers traveling out of the country, they will be required to abide by the particular travel, health and COVID-19 related requirements of the transit and destination country.
11. Air Operators shall provide guidance material to passengers regarding application of the preventive measures onboard.
12. All travelers to countries requiring antigen testing hours before travel will be required to undertake pre-travel rapid antigen test at the MOH Port Health facility at the airport and the results uploaded to the Trusted Travel platform.

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