

## Latest Testing and Self-Isolation Arrangement for Crew

In regard of the latest testing and self-isolation arrangement for all air crew members **effective from 01APR2022**, as shown in the table below, we would like to draw your immediate attention to remind all crew to strictly follow the conditions of arrival and subsequent self-isolation specified by the Department of Health.

**^ Locally (Hong Kong) based & Non-Local based air crew employed by a local airline**

1. Must have completed a COVID-19 vaccination course.<sup>4</sup>
2. Not allowed to be on board a flight to/from the Mainland/Macau according to his airline's roster, if he has been on board a flight (including a turnaround flight) to/from any place outside China or to/from Taiwan, China according to his airline's roster during the 14 days prior to his boarding the flight to/from the Mainland/Macau concerned.
3. All locally based air crew members on board a flight to/from a place outside of Hong Kong according to their airline's roster must be subject to the same period of self-isolation in a designated quarantine hotel ("DQH") room or a place of accommodation, when they seek to enter the local community upon their arrival in Hong Kong. In other words, a locally based air crew member must not be arranged by his airline to be on board the same flight with another locally based air crew member who will be subject to a different period of self-isolation, when they seek to enter the local community upon their arrival in Hong Kong.
4. A locally based air crew member must not be arranged by his airline to be on board the same flight with a non-locally based air crew member employed by his airline, and vice versa.

Having Travel History in <b>any place outside China or in Taiwan, China</b> during the <b>14 days</b> prior to arrival in Hong Kong		
	Local (Hong Kong based) crew <sup>^</sup>	Non-local (Non Hong Kong based) crew
<b>Required Document</b>	<a href="#">Airline Company Declaration Letter for a local based crew<sup>1</sup></a> .	<a href="#">Airline Company Declaration Letter for a non-local based crew<sup>1</sup></a> .
<b>Testing Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-administered rapid antigen test or PCR test<sup>2</sup> with specimen collected within 24 hours prior to the scheduled departure time of the flight to Hong Kong is required</li> <li>• Post-arrival test at TSCC required.</li> <li>• Must wait for post-arrival test result at TSCC.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre-departure test<sup>2</sup> with negative result required (sample collection within 48 hours prior to the STD of the flight to HK for duty).</li> <li>• Post-arrival test at TSCC is required.</li> <li>• Must wait for post-arrival test result at TSCC.</li> </ul>
<b>Self-isolation Requirements</b>	<p><b><u>If Crew will not enter a local community:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-isolation at an <u>Airport Hotel</u> until departure from HK on next duty flight.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>If Crew will enter a local community:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-isolate at a <u>Designated Quarantine Hotel</u><sup>5</sup> for 7 days upon arrival. Crew may enter local community thereafter, subject to a further 7 days of Medical Surveillance.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Concerned crew is not allowed to enter any local communities.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-isolation at an <u>Airport Hotel</u> until departure from HK on next duty flight.</li> </ul>
<b>Post arrival test, Transport and Post-arrival test Requirements</b>	Please refer to <a href="#">"Exemption conditions applicable to crew members of aircraft ("air crew members")"</a> Page no. 3-6 for more details.	Please refer to <a href="#">"Exemption conditions applicable to crew members of aircraft ("air crew members")"</a> Page no.7-8 for more details.

<b>ONLY having travel history in <u>Mainland China</u>/<u>Macau</u> during the 14 days prior to arrival in Hong Kong</b>		
	<b>Local (Hong Kong based) crew<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>Non-local (Non Hong Kong based) crew</b>
<b>Required Document</b>	<a href="#"><u>Airline Company Declaration Letter for a local based crew<sup>1</sup></u></a> .	<a href="#"><u>Airline Company Declaration Letter for a non-local based crew<sup>1</sup></u></a> .
<b>Testing Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre-departure test not required.</li> <li>• Arrival test at TSCC required.</li> <li>• Must wait for arrival test result at TSCC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre-departure test<sup>2</sup> with negative result required (sample collection within 48 hours prior to the STD of the flight to HK for duty).</li> <li>• Arrival test at TSCC is required.</li> <li>• Must wait for arrival test result at TSCC</li> </ul>
<b>Self-isolation Requirements</b>	<p><b><u>If Crew will not enter a local community:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-isolation not required.</li> <li>• Stay at an <u>Airport Hotel</u></li> </ul> <p><b><u>If Crew will enter a local community:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-isolation not required.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Concerned crew is not allowed to enter any local communities.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-isolation at an <u>Airport Hotel</u> until departure from HK on next duty flight.</li> </ul>
<b>Post arrival test, Transport and Post-arrival test Requirements</b>	Please refer to <a href="#"><u>“Exemption conditions applicable to crew members of aircraft (“air crew members”)</u></a> ”Page no. 4-6 for more details.	Please refer to <a href="#"><u>“Exemption conditions applicable to crew members of aircraft (“air crew members”)</u></a> ”Page no. 7-8 for more details.

<b>Remarks</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crew in transit at VHHH (remain on board) is exempted from the above requirements.</li> <li>• The Department of Health may cancel an exemption granted to crew member if the exemption conditions are breached. Non-compliance will result in the mandatory quarantine of the crew member.</li> <li>• Please remind your crew members to keep physical copies of any Letters of Certification and test reports (if applicable) with them to present to Department of Health staff on arrival.</li> </ul>
<p><b>1.</b> Upon arrival at HKIA, each and every air crew member must present to DH’s staff a company declaration letter issued by his airline, which must follow DH’s prescribed format</p>
<p><b>2.</b> The negative result of SAR-COV-2 nucleic acid test must be done at an ISO15189-accredited laboratory or a laboratory recognized by the Government. The Operator should declare that on a letter of certification. The crew is required to present the test report and the letter of certification issued by the operator to staff of DH when he/she enters HK.</p> <p>The COVID-19 test must be a polymerase chain reaction (PCR)-based nucleic acid test. Results of tests conducted using other testing platforms (e.g. reverse transcription loop-mediated isothermal amplification, RT-LAMP) will not be accepted for the relevant specified boarding requirement.</p>
<p><b>3.</b> During the specified period, point-to-point transportation must be arranged by Operator / HKBAC between HKIA and Airport Hotel / Designated Quarantine Hotel / accommodation (masks must be worn during the entire journey). Use of public transport including MTR, airport shuttle train and taxis <b>is prohibited</b>. Crew must proceed via Arrival Hall B to the Limousine Lounge to board their point-to-point transport. The arranged vehicle must have AAHK Landside Prohibited / Restricted Zone Permit and Travel Industry Vehicle (TIV) Permit, to access the Limousine Lounge.</p>
<p><b>4.</b> The crew member concerned have completed a COVID-19 vaccination course 14 days before their duty flight and the COVID-19 vaccine used is included on the list of vaccine as published on the Government’s <a href="#"><u>COVID-19 thematic website</u></a>. Crew member should present a valid vaccination record to Department of Health upon their arrival.</p>
<p><b>5.</b> Air crew members are not allowed to operate during the self-isolation period at the Designated Quarantine Period. They are allowed to operate flight duty, attend medical appointments, and undergo flight training during the remaining medical surveillance period after leaving the designated quarantine hotel.</p>

**Crew hotel:** The hotel chosen for crew self-isolation must be notified of the arrangement and is required to monitor crew compliance to self-isolation measures. Violations should be reported by the hotel to the operator and the responsible government department.

**Requirements during foreign port layover:** Please refer to [“Exemption conditions applicable to crew members of aircraft”](#) for more details.

**Repositioning Crew Arriving as Airline Passenger:** Please refer to [“Exemption conditions applicable to crew members of aircraft”](#) PART IV for more details.