

TAT NEWSLETTER

Dear Esteemed Partners,

We are bringing you more good news on entry to Thailand under the TEST & GO and Sandbox schemes. Starting on 1 March, 2022, the requirement for the 2nd RT-PCR test on Day 5 will be replaced with a self-Antigen Test Kit (ATK). Moreover, the health insurance coverage has been reduced to no less than US\$20,000. Now, there are ongoing relaxed entry measures for foreign travellers to Thailand. We look forward to welcoming you to the Land of Smiles.

*Yours sincerely,
TAT Prague Office*



UPDATED! TEST & GO and Sandbox Rules to Ease from 1 March 2022



“MorChana” application are mandatory.

- For Sandbox programme, travellers who plan to continue their journey to other Thai cities are still required to stay at least 7 nights in the Sandbox destinations, but the COVID-19 testing requirement has been revised to 1 RT-PCR and 1 self-ATK.
- An insurance policy with coverage no less than US\$20,000 will be required. TAT recommends that travellers make sure to check the small print of any COVID-19 insurance policy before purchasing. Ultimately, the policy should cover the cost of treatment and other medical expenses associated with being infected with COVID-19, including in-patient hospitalisation, hospital isolation, hotel isolation, or related quarantine. The insurance policy should also cover the whole duration that travellers are planning to stay in Thailand, plus at least 10 extra days as a precautionary measure in the event that the traveller’s swab test result returns as positive.
- If testing positive for COVID-19, travellers will be referred to a healthcare facility for appropriate medical treatment, for which the expenses must be covered by the required insurance.

Note: Eligible Sandbox destinations: Krabi, Phang-Nga, Phuket, Surat Thani (Ko Samui, Ko Pha-ngan, and Ko Tao), Chon Buri (Bang Lamung, Pattaya, Si Racha, and Sattahip – only Na Jomtien and Bang Saray) and Trat (Ko Chang).

Fully vaccinated travellers from any country around the world can apply to enter Thailand with the TEST & GO and Sandbox programmes by obtaining the Thailand Pass QR Code via <https://tp.consular.go.th/>. The updates reflecting the new rules that will be available from 1 March, 2022, onwards are as follows:

- For TEST & GO programme, a proof of prepayment for only one night of accommodation at an approved SHA Extra Plus (SHA++) on Day 1, which includes an RT-PCR test, and a prearranged transfer from the airport to the hotel will be required. The booking of the RT-PCR test can be booked at <http://thailandpsas.com> for travellers to Phuket, Phang-Nga, and Krabi. For other destinations, the booking of the RT-PCR test can be prearranged with the hotel.
- First test on Day 1 by an RT-PCR method and stand-by for the result within the SHA++ hotel, and the second test on Day 5 by a self-antigen test kit (ATK) method and report/record the result via the

Thailand Ready to Host APEC 2022



Thailand is hosting the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2022 under the theme “Open. Connect. Balance.”, which will see the country pushing forward three key priorities to develop the Asia-Pacific region through the concept of the Bio-Circular-Green or BCG economy model. These include facilitating trade and investment, promoting balance, sustainability and inclusivity, and restoring regional connectivity, particularly in the travel and tourism industry as the world exits the COVID-19 era.

The hosting of the APEC 2022 will also mark the first platform for the world’s leaders gathering after the global pandemic has subsided. Throughout Thailand’s host year, there will be hundreds of APEC meetings taking place in various destinations around the country, including the APEC Tourism Ministerial Meeting, which will provide Thailand with great opportunities to showcase tourism products and services to the world. APEC is the regional cooperation to drive trade and investment as well as the development of economic and social dimensions among 21-member economies, including Australia, China, Japan, and the United States, which have an aggregated population of 3 billion people and account for 59% of the global GDP.

THAI Smile Airways Launches Sealed-Route Bangkok-Phuket Service



THAI Smile Airways is now offering a new once-daily special sealed-route flight between Bangkok and Phuket in support of the entry from abroad. In operation since 15 February, 2022, the special flight is only available to international passengers transiting or transferring via the Thai capital, and must be used in conjunction with international flights only. Flight WE8750 departs Suvarnabhumi Airport at 09.00 Hrs. and arrives at Phuket at 10.25 Hrs.

Meanwhile, THAI Smile Airways has announced that it will commence daily domestic flights on the Chiang Mai-Bangkok and Bangkok-Trang routes starting from 25 February 2022. The Chiang Mai-Bangkok route will be served by twice daily flights, one in the morning and one in the late afternoon/early evening.

The airline will operate a once daily flight on the Bangkok-Trang route. Flight WE255 will depart Bangkok’s Suvarnabhumi Airport at 11.00 Hrs. and arrive at Trang at 12.30 Hrs, while Flight WE256 will depart Trang at 13.00 Hrs. and arrive back in Bangkok at 14.30 Hrs.

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