

INFORMATION ON THE VACCINATED TRAVEL LANE BY AIR BETWEEN MALAYSIA AND THAILAND

The Vaccinated Travel Lane (VTL) by air between Malaysia and Thailand is a framework to facilitate two-way travel by individuals who have received a full regimen of a COVID-19 vaccine. Under the VTL, fully vaccinated travellers from one country may enter the other country without quarantine, subject to COVID-19 testing and further requirements determined by the receiving country. This will help in resuming air connectivity in a safe, careful manner.

1 Travellers and purpose of travel

- 1.1 Eligible travellers will be persons of all nationalities in Malaysia or Thailand who would like to travel between the two countries for all purposes of travel.
- 1.2 Eligible travellers must have completed a full regimen of a COVID-19 vaccine recognised by the competent authority of the country they wish to seek entry to. A full regimen of a COVID-19 vaccine means the traveller has received the required number of dose(s) to provide the full vaccine protection, inclusive of the time needed following the administration of the dose(s) to be protected against COVID-19.
- 1.2.1 Thailand will recognise travellers who have completed the full regimen of COVID-19 vaccines approved under the World Health Organization's Emergency Use Listing or approved by a stringent regulatory authority, including those who have received different vaccine brands for their respective doses.
- 1.2.2 Malaysia will recognise travellers who have completed the full regimen of COVID-19 vaccines approved under the World Health Organization's Emergency Use Listing or approved by a stringent regulatory authority, including those who have received different vaccine brands for their respective doses.

2 Routes

- 2.1 The approved VTL routes between Malaysia and Thailand are as follows:

No.	Route	Daily Frequencies	Effective Date
1.	Kuala Lumpur-Bangkok vv	6	15 March 2022
2.	Kuala Lumpur-Phuket vv	4	15 March 2022

- 2.2 The designated carriers are allowed to provide services without any limitation of capacity and aircraft type in each direction on the above routes to be equally shared between carriers of Malaysia or Thailand.

- 2.3 Additional services and other new entry/exit points in Malaysia and Thailand may be added subsequently upon mutual agreement.

3 Designated Services

- 3.1 Travellers under the VTL must travel on non-stop designated services between Malaysia and Thailand, operated by either Malaysia or Thailand air carriers.

4 Requirements for Travel to Thailand

- 4.1 Travellers must fulfil the requirements for entry to Thailand, including requirements on travel history, entry application requirements, testing requirements, and any other requirements such as insurance and contact tracing. Thailand will publish these requirements at <https://tp.consular.go.th>.
- 4.2 Thailand may amend the requirements for travel to Thailand based on its latest public health and operational assessment. Travellers are advised to check and ensure that they meet the entry requirements prior to travelling to Thailand.

5 Requirements for Travel to Malaysia

- 5.1 Travellers must fulfil the requirements for entry to Malaysia, including requirements on travel history, entry application requirements, testing requirements, and any other requirements such as insurance and contact tracing. Malaysia will publish these requirements at www.imi.gov.my.
- 5.2 Malaysia may amend the requirements for travel to Malaysia based on its latest public health and operational assessment. Travellers are advised to check and ensure that they meet the entry requirements prior to travelling to Malaysia.

6 Commencement, Temporary Suspension and Resumption

- 6.1 The VTL arrangement will commence on 15 March 2022.
- 6.2 If the COVID-19 situation in Malaysia and/or Thailand deteriorates, the VTL may be temporarily suspended or adjustments made to the respective requirements. The VTL may resume when the COVID-19 situation improves.

REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAVEL FROM THAILAND TO MALAYSIA

1 Q : Who are eligible to travel on the Vaccinated Travel Lane (VTL) from Thailand to Malaysia?

1.1 Eligible travellers will be persons of all nationalities in Thailand who would like to travel to Malaysia for all purposes of travel.

1.1.1 Eligible travellers must have completed a full regimen of a COVID-19 vaccine recognised by the Ministry of Health of Malaysia. A full regimen of a COVID-19 vaccine means the traveller has received the required number of dose(s) to provide the full vaccine protection, inclusive of the time needed following the administration of the dose(s) to be protected against COVID-19.

1.1.2 Malaysia will recognise travellers who have completed the full regimen of COVID-19 vaccines approved under the World Health Organization's Emergency Use Listing or approved by a stringent regulatory authority, including those who have received different vaccine brands for their respective doses.

1.1.3 Children aged below 12 years will qualify for travel under the VTL without the need to show proof of vaccination. The age of the child will be based on their date of birth. The child must be accompanied by a VTL traveller who meets all the VTL requirements for entry into Malaysia.

2 Q : Do travellers on the VTL have to fly on designated services?

2.1 Travellers arriving in Malaysia under the VTL must travel on non-stop designated services between Malaysia and Thailand which are approved by the Civil Aviation Authority of Malaysia (CAAM) and the Malaysian Aviation Commission (MAVCOM), operated by air carriers of Malaysia. Transfer/ transit passengers will not be allowed on these designated flight services.

3 Q : Do travellers need to register to fly on the VTL?

3.1 All travellers need to register at the MySafeTravel portal, accessible at <https://mysafetravel.gov.my/>, within seven (7) days but no later than two (2) days before the travellers' planned date of travel. Travellers need to upload their vaccination certificate to be verified and their negative pre-departure COVID-19 test two (2) days prior to travel for documentation purposes. Short-term visitors, including business and official travellers, also need to upload their insurance policy.

4 Q : What are the pre-departure requirements in Thailand for travel to Malaysia on the VTL?

4.1 Prior to departing for Malaysia, VTL travellers travelling from Thailand must:

- 4.1.1 Remain in Thailand and/or Malaysia in the last 14 consecutive days before departing for Malaysia;
- 4.1.2 (a) Undergo a COVID-19 RT-PCR test within 2 days before departure for Malaysia, at an internationally accredited or recognised laboratory, clinic, or medical facility recognised by the Ministry of Public Health of Thailand or the Ministry of Health of Malaysia, and be tested negative. A pre-departure or on-arrival RT-PCR negative test result can be accepted for one or more flights, as long as the test had been taken within 2 days before departure for Malaysia. Children aged two (2) years and below are exempted from the testing requirement; or
- (b) Undergo a professionally-administered antigen rapid test instead of an RT-PCR test within 2 days before departure for **fully vaccinated travellers who have recently recovered from COVID-19 (i.e. within 11 to 60 days)**. As proof of their recent COVID-19 infection, they need to show a printed or digital laboratory test result whereby the COVID-19 diagnosis was made.
- 4.1.3 Register and make payment for their on-arrival COVID-19 RT-PCR or supervised self-administered antigen rapid test for fully vaccinated travellers who have recently recovered from COVID-19 (i.e. within 11 to 60 days) (where applicable) at the BP Clinical Lab Health Screening Centre at KLIA;
- 4.1.4 Obtain a valid visa for visa-required visitors;
- 4.1.5 VTL travellers who are short-term visitors (including business and official travellers) must purchase mandatory travel insurance with a minimum coverage of RM100,000 for COVID-19-related medical treatment and hospitalisation costs. Travellers to Malaysia must carry with them an electronic or physical copy of their insurance policy to facilitate their entry into Malaysia;
- 4.1.6 As a means to aid contact tracing and ease of entry into premises in Malaysia, it is mandatory for travellers to download, install and register their profile in the MySejahtera application on their mobile device. The link for the application can be accessed at: <https://mysejahtera.malaysia.gov.my>. Children aged below 12 years and individuals who are unable to use a mobile device due to a certified disability or special needs are required to be registered as dependents of their fully vaccinated parent / legal guardian. This can be done through the “Manage Dependents” function in the MySejahtera application;
- 4.1.7 Complete the “Pre-Departure Form” available under the “Traveller” icon of the MySejahtera application. Upon completion, a digital “Home Surveillance Order” (HSO) will be issued within the travellers’ MySejahtera user profile and the “COVID-19 Risk Status” will be converted to “Person Under Surveillance” (PUS).

Travellers must also complete the “COVID-19 Test Registration” form available under the “Traveller” icon of the MySejahtera application. Upon completion, a “Pre-Registration Slip” will be sent to the travellers’ declared email address.

4.1.8 Present to airline staff during check-in at the departure airports:

- (a) a valid national passport or internationally recognised travel document which proves that the travellers have remained in Thailand and/or Malaysia in the last 14 consecutive days before departing for Malaysia;
- (b) a valid digitally verifiable vaccination certificate issued by Thailand, or any other valid vaccination certificate (electronic or physical copy) accepted by Malaysia under the VTL;
- (c) a valid negative pre-departure COVID-19 RT-PCR or professionally-administered antigen rapid test for fully vaccinated travellers who have recently recovered from COVID-19 (i.e. within 11 to 60 days) (where applicable) test result certificate (electronic or physical copy) in English. A pre-departure or on-arrival negative test result can be accepted for one or more flights, as long as the test had been taken within 2 days before departure for Malaysia;
- (d) proof of on-arrival COVID-19 RT-PCR or supervised self-administered antigen rapid test for fully vaccinated travellers who have recently recovered from COVID-19 (i.e. within 11 to 60 days) (where applicable) test registration and payment;
- (e) a valid visa (for visa-required visitors);
- (f) a mobile device with the MySejahtera application already downloaded and with their profiles registered on the application;
- (g) proof of registration via MySafeTravel portal. Travellers are reminded to bring along a physical copy of their COVID-19 vaccination certificate and their negative pre-departure RT-PCR or supervised self-administered antigen rapid test (where applicable) test result;
- (h) for VTL travellers who are short-term visitors (including business and official travellers), an electronic or physical copy of travel insurance policy with a minimum coverage of RM100,000 for COVID-19-related medical treatment and hospitalisation costs; and
- (i) return or onward ticket except for Permanent Residents of Malaysia and holders of Long-Term Passes.

5 Q : What are the procedures for VTL travellers for arrival in Malaysia?

5.1 On-arrival Measures at the Airport

5.1.1 Travellers must undergo health status screening, including body temperature scanning, upon arrival at KLIA.

5.1.2 Travellers are required to present proof of registration on the MySafeTravel portal, the “Pre-Registration Slip” for COVID-19 testing and a physical copy of their negative pre-departure test result for verification by the BP Clinical Lab Health Screening Centre at KLIA.

5.1.3 Travellers must have their swab taken for a COVID-19 RT-PCR test at the BP Clinical Lab Health Screening Centre.

For travellers who have recently recovered from COVID-19 (i.e. within 11 to 60 days), they are required to undergo a supervised self-administered antigen rapid test. The results of the test will be available immediately.

After having their swab taken or supervised self-administered antigen rapid test done (where applicable), travellers can proceed to immigration.

5.1.4 At the arrival immigration in Malaysia, travellers must present to the immigration officer:

(a) a valid national passport or internationally recognised travel document which proves that the travellers have remained in Thailand and/or Malaysia in the last 14 consecutive days before departing for Malaysia;

(b) a valid visa (for visa-required visitors);

(c) boarding pass; and

(d) return or onward ticket and proof of accommodation (where applicable) except for Permanent Residents of Malaysia and holders of Long-Term Passes.

5.1.5 With the exception of travellers who have recently recovered from COVID-19 (i.e. within 11 to 60 days), travellers must immediately take private transportation, taxi or private hire car from the airport to their declared accommodation. Public bus or train is not allowed. Travellers must isolate alone, or with household members who are vaccinated and have the same travel history, arrival date and self-isolation requirement, until their on-arrival RT-PCR test result is confirmed to be negative. If there are other occupants in the accommodation without the same travel history, arrival date and self-isolation requirement, the traveller(s) must isolate in an enclosed room with an en-suite toilet. Travellers shall bear any transportation and accommodation costs incurred.

5.1.6 The results of the on-arrival COVID-19 RT-PCR test will be available within 24 hours.

5.1.7 Once travellers have been notified that they have tested negative for COVID-19, their “COVID-19 Risk Status” will be converted to “Low Risk”, the digital HSO within their MySejahtera user profile will be marked as “Completed” and they can go about with their activities in Malaysia. While travellers who are tested positive, along with their close contacts, will be managed under health protocols as prescribed by the Ministry of Health of Malaysia.

5.2 Q : What do VTL travellers need to do during and after their stay in Malaysia?

5.2.1 During their stay in Malaysia, travellers must adhere to the prevailing public health measures, which include requirements on wearing of masks and safe distancing, and any other safe management measures relevant to the activities that they participate in, or settings that they visit, while in Malaysia.

5.2.2 Travellers are responsible for their medical expenses should they require medical treatment for COVID-19 while in Malaysia.

5.2.3 To facilitate contact tracing, short-term visitors must keep the MySejahtera app activated on their mobile devices at all times while in Malaysia.

5.2.4 Upon request by the Ministry of Health Malaysia, a visitor must provide all data in the MySejahtera app should he/she test positive for COVID-19 while in Malaysia.
