
Summary of Entry Restrictions in South Korea

Entry Ban / From 4 February 2020

- ✓ All visitors from the Hubei Province, China.
- ✓ All visitors take transit flights from the Hubei Province, China.
- ✓ All visitors using passports issued from the Hubei Province, China.

Special Quarantine Procedures for all visitors from Europe / From 22 March 2020

All visitors from European countries are required to get tested for the COVID-19 upon arrival in South Korea.

The South Korean government will pay the cost for all COVID-19 tests and will provide secured special facilities that people can stay at while they are waiting for their test results. It takes about 1 day to get the result on average.

- ✓ **If confirmed to be COVID-19 positive**

The person will be quarantine at one of the hospitals designated by the South Korean government until fully recovered. If their employers in South Korea give them paid leaves during COVID-19 treatment period, the South Korean government will provide financial support to their employers.

- ✓ **If confirmed to be COVID-19 negative**

ARC holders and Long-term visa holders are required to do self-isolation at their home for 2 weeks from arrival date. If they don't have their home in South Korea, the government will provide a single room at an isolation facility to stay for 2 weeks.

Short-term visa holders and visitors under visa waiver are not required to do self-isolation. However, it is mandatory for them to answer daily phone call checks by the health authority.

For anyone who does NOT follow the government's quarantine procedures and further health guides, a fine of up to 3 million Won will be imposed and their Visa & ARC will be canceled. Immediate deportation and entry ban will also be considered depending on the case.

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Special Quarantine Procedures for visitors from non-Europe / From 19 March 2020

All visitors, regardless of nationality and departing cities, are required to do the followings upon arrival in South Korea:

- ① Get fever checks.
- ② Submit papers on their health conditions.
- ③ Submit the full address and contact number of their accommodation in South Korea. Visitors will be allowed to enter only when the phone number they have submitted is verified at the scene. Phone number checking is expected to cause delays on arrival in South Korea.
- ④ Download a smartphone app that will allow to put their symptoms for 14 days after arrival. You can find more information about the smartphone app from <http://ncov.mohw.go.kr/selfcheck/>. If suspected symptoms continue for more than 2 days in a row, KCDC (Korea Centers for Disease Control & Prevention) will contact the visitor to guide the nearest public health center for COVID-19 test.

Visa Restrictions / Chinese Citizens / From 4 February 2020

- ✓ Visa-free program in Jeju island has been suspended.
- ✓ All visas issued from the Korean Consulate office in Wuhan before 4 February 2020 have been invalidated.
- ✓ All foreigners applying for South Korean visas at the Korean Consulates in China must fill out a 'Health Report Form' by handwriting.

Visa Restrictions / Japanese Citizens / From 9 March 2020

- ✓ 90 days of visa-waiver agreement has been suspended for ALL Japanese passport holders including diplomatic and government official passport holders.
- ✓ All visas issued from the South Korean Consulate offices in Japan before 9 March 2020 have been invalidated.
- ✓ All foreigners applying for South Korean visas at the Korean Consulates in Japan must fill out a 'Health Report Form' by handwriting.

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