

The Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand Notification

on

Clinical Practice Guideline for the Prevention of Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) (No. 5)

In reference to the Chinese Health Authorities recent information on the Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19), the epidemiological situation tends to be more critical and has affected many countries and various regions and the second meeting of the Emergency Committee convened by the WHO Director-General under the International Health Regulations (IHR) (2005) on 30 January 2020 regarding the outbreak of Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19), where it declared that the outbreak of Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) constitutes a Public Health Emergency International Concern (PHEIC).

In order to elevate the level of preventive measures and to consolidate the 4 previously declared notifications, in accordance with the recommendation from Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health and official reports from the World Health Organization (WHO), the Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand hereby issue the following information and guideline;

1. Countries which have been officially reported by WHO on 24 February 2020 as affected from the outbreak of Novel Coronavirus 2019 Pneumonia (COVID-19) are shown in the table below:

Asia	Asia	North America
People's Republic of ChinaKingdom of ThailandRepublic of Singapore	State of IsraelRepublic of LebanonState of Kuwait	United States of AmericaCanada
Japan Republic of Korea	Europe	Africa
MalaysiaSocialist Republic of VietnamCommonwealth of Australia		■ Arab Republic of Egypt
 Republic of the Philippines Kingdom of Cambodia Republic of India 	 French Republic United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Republic of Italy 	Special Regions Taiwan Hong Kong Special
Kingdom of NepalDemocratic SocialistRepublic of Sri Lanka	Russian FederationKingdom of SpainKingdom of Belgium	Administrative Region Macau Special Administrative Region
United Arab EmiratesIslamic Republic of Iran	Republic of FinlandKingdom of Sweden	

- 2. Relevant information regarding Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19);
- 2.1 It is officially confirmed that the Novel Coronavirus 2019 Pneumonia is human-to-human transmissible and there is no particular vaccine to prevent it.
- 2.2 During travelling abroad, avoid being in crowded or polluted area. Avoid being in close contact with people suffering from acute respiratory infections. If it is unavoidable, wear sanitary mask for protection.
- 2.3 Avoid live animal markets, including the places where animals are slaughtered (wet markets). Avoid being in close contact with animals, especially sick or dead animals. Avoid eating food and meat which are not fully cooked and served hot.
- 2.4 Practice hygiene and cleanliness such as frequent hand-washing with soap and water or hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol, especially after direct contact with ill people or their environment. Do not touch eyes, nose or mouth without necessity.
- 2.5 Do not use or share personal items (e.g. handkerchief, glass, towel) with others as respiratory infections can be transmitted via the secretion of the infected person.
 - 2.6 Keep body temperature warm and take enough rest.
- 2.7 Within 14 days after arriving Thailand, if suffer from any of the acute respiratory infection, signs or symptoms, such as fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose or dyspnea, it is recommended to wear sanitary mask and visit the doctor or public health officer immediately. Notify the doctor or nurse of the travel information as there may be complications from serious pneumonia that can be critical and cause death.

- 3. Air operators operating flights from port of embarkation in countries or regions indicated in 1. shall perform primary exit screening by observing general conditions of the passengers at airport of embarkation. If any passenger is found with the signs or symptoms of acute respiratory infection such as fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose or dyspnea, air operator staff shall notify the doctor or public health officer at such port immediately. If any risk factor is found from the diagnosis, boarding pass shall not be issued to such passenger.
- 4. Air operators operating a flight from Thailand to the affected countries or regions shall consider to take action in accordance with 3. based on the appropriateness and necessity of the situation. They shall also monitor the quarantine measures taken by the relevant authorities of those countries or regions and adjust the action accordingly.
- 5. In-flight preventive measures to be performed by air operators in case of any passenger on board who is affected from or suspected to be affected from Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) are as follows:
- 5.1 Crew members shall consider using Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) contained in the Universal Precaution Kit (UPK) on board.
- 5.2 Instruct the use of medical masks and hand hygiene with alcohol-based hand rub to such passenger, other passengers in the same rows as such passengers and the other passengers sitting in the next 2 rows in the front and the next 2 rows in the back of such passenger.
- 5.3 If space available, make spatial separation of at least 1 meter between such passengers and other passengers.
- 5.4 Flight crew shall notify the air traffic controller at port of disembarkation about information regarding passenger who is affected from or suspected to be affected from Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) in order to convey the finding to the airport of entry. 5.4 Flight crew shall also fill in the following forms according to ICAO standards and recommended practices and submit to the officer at airport of entry;
 - 5.4.1 General Declaration (Appendix 1. to ICAO Annex 9)
 - 5.4.2 Public Health Passenger Locator Form (Appendix 13. to ICAO Annex 9)
- 6. Based on the information conveyed from 5.4, airport operators shall consider the allocation of Isolated Aircraft Parking Position for the purpose of aircraft quarantine.

7. Air operators shall notify their staff at airport of departure and the crew members of the above guideline and comply with full cooperation. The cabin crew shall also make on board public announcement to the passengers.

The above information and guideline are to be aligned until the situation is ended or any further notification is issued.

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