

Travel News

- **Saudi Arabia:** Saudi Arabia is extending its travel-restriction period and shift the date for reopening the Kingdom's borders from March 31 to May 17 due to delays in delivery of COVID-19 vaccines.
- **Saudi Arabia:** As per as the latest GACA Circular Dated in 28 Jan 2021, it imposes Travel restrictions for passengers coming from the Lebanon to the KSA and it will be the following:
 1. The transport of non- Saudi citizen travelers to the KSA coming from Lebanon is conditional on spending no less than (14) days outside Lebanon before entering the Kingdom.
 2. Saudi citizens and who can travel into the Kingdom for humanitarian and urgent cases coming from Lebanon are excluded and they shall be quarantined in their homes for a period of (14) days in the Kingdom.
- **Saudi Arabia:** (Jawazat) has clarified that those expatriates, who left the Kingdom on exit and reentry visa and did not come back before the expiry of the visa, are not allowed to reenter the Kingdom for a period of three years.
- **Kuwait:** Kuwait's decision to limit the numbers of air passengers in the country is limited to arrivals only and does not include departures, an aviation official has said.
- **UAE/UK:** Britain on Tuesday announced an outright travel ban starting from Friday January 29, on non-citizens arriving from the UAE and quarantine measures for citizens coming in from there to stem coronavirus cases, Any British or Irish citizens and third country nationals with residence rights returning from the Gulf state will be required to isolate at home, or in a hotel for **10 days**.
- **UAE/UK:** Visit visas of British travelers will be extended free of charge following the UK's decision to add the UAE to its travel ban, said a statement from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation on Thursday 28 Jan 2021.
- **UAE:** UAE has announced New COVID-19 travel protocols will be applied starting of 31 Jan 2021:
 1. All inbound passengers to Dubai will now require a pre-travel PCR test before arrival in the emirate, UAE residents, GCC citizens and visitors are required to do a PCR test prior to departure for Dubai irrespective of the country they are coming from.
 2. Reducing the validity period of PCR tests from 96 hours to 72 hours.
 3. Arrivals from certain countries (based on the pandemic situation in those countries) will also require an additional test on arrival in Dubai.
 4. However, protocols will remain the same for UAE citizens returning to the country from overseas,
- **India:** Delhi: India may permit regular international air travel as part of a fresh package of relaxations in containment measures against the spread of Coronavirus that were announced.
- **Canada:** Travelers to Canada will have to quarantine in hotels at their own expense for three days under strict supervision, in the meanwhile the airlines will be suspending flights to southern destinations.
- **France:** France is to ban travel to and from non-EU countries as part of new measures to avoid a third lockdown, the travel ban will come into effect Sunday 31 Jan2021 at midnight
- **Germany:** Germany will restrict travel starting Saturday from five countries with coronavirus mutations — Brazil, South Africa, the U.K., Ireland, and Portugal.

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