

SOUTH KOREA: COVID-19 UPDATES

QUARANTINE EXEMPTION

FOR TRAVELERS VACCINATED ABROAD

March 17th, 2022



COVID-19 UPDATES CURRENTLY IN SOUTH KOREA

as of March 16th, 2022 at 00:00 a.m.,

CONFIRMED CASES

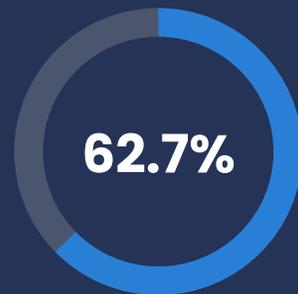
- January 2022
Avg. 6,899 (Range: 2,022~17,526)
- February 2022
Avg. 81,741 (Range: 18,337~171,450)
- March 2022 (~March 16)
Avg. 280,929 (Range: 138,990~400,741)

VACCINATION RATE

Fully Vaccinated



Booster Shot



SOCIAL DISTANCING

- No curfew
- Most stores and public buildings open
- Restaurant and café open until 11pm
- Private gathering up to 6 people

COVID-19 TESTING

- PCR test & antigen test available
- PCR test result – in 1 day (normally the next day)
- Antigen test result – in 3 to 5 hours
- Testing for travel purposes (flying out) cost \$55 - \$300 available at many local hospitals and clinics.

Entry & Quarantine Exemption REQUIREMENTS as of March 11th, 2022 at 00:00 a.m.,

GENERAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- COVID-19 Test Requirements:
 - Pre-departure: Proof of a Negative COVID-19 PCR test taken **within 48 hours** of departure – Prepare 2 Hard Copies (MUST INCLUDE: Name, DOB, Test Method, Test Date, Test Result, Date of Issuance, and Name of Testing Center)
 - Day 1 of Arrival: PCR test
 - Day 6-7 of Arrival: PCR test or Antigen test
- Health Screening Procedures: some combination of temperature screening, health questionnaires, quarantines, and/or COVID-tests, depending on points of departure, visa status, and nationality.
- Mandatory **7-day quarantine** upon entry for most travelers (see below for the quarantine exemption requirements)

QUARANTINE EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS

- Starting from March 21, 2022, **vaccinated travelers** who have completed their COVID-19 vaccination in Korea **OR** those who already registered their overseas vaccination history at a local Korean public health center will be eligible for quarantine exemption.
- Starting from April 1, 2022, vaccinated travelers who have completed vaccination overseas **AND** register their vaccination history through the Quarantine COVID-19 Defence (Q-code) system **BEFORE** traveling to Korea will be eligible for quarantine exemption.

VACCINATION REQUIREMENT:

- **2nd shot** for a two-dose vaccine (after 14 days valid up to 180 days) *or* **Booster shots** (no other expiration date)

Quarantine COVID-19 Defence (Q-code) system (click) *starting from April 1st, 2022*

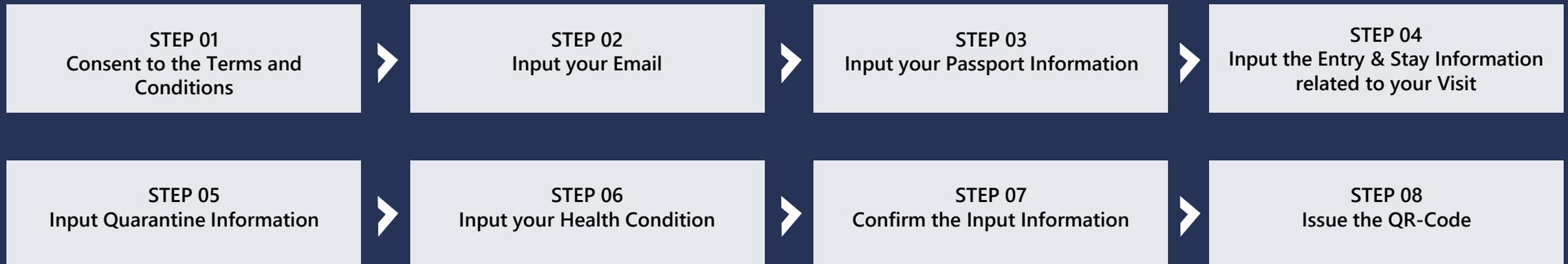
PROCEDURE

— All overseas entrant shall use the Advance Input System for Quarantine Information to proceed with the advance input before the entry.

PREPARATION TO INPUT Q-CODE

1. Valid Passport
2. Valid E-mail Address
3. Valid Airline Ticket
4. Valid 'Confirmation of COVID-19 PCR Negative Test Result'
5. Valid 'Certificate of COVID-19 Vaccination'
6. Valid 'Quarantine Exemption'
7. Health Condition Information

PROCEDURE





**We Hope to See You in Korea Safely
in the Near Future!**

For further more information, please refer to the [website \(click\)](#) of the U.S. Embassy & Consulate in the ROK.