

## **Coronavirus Update**

**Date – 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

### **SRI LANKA**

Sri Lanka has resumed normal business operations, albeit with some restrictions. Residents have limited access to interprovincial movement between provinces, except for vital services and foreign passengers.

The Colombo airport is open, with rigorous security measures in place. Foreign travel restrictions have been relaxed, and fully vaccinated clients can now leave the bio bubble following a 24-hour quarantine period. The Vaccination program is doing well, and most of the population should be fully vaccinated by September.

Those with a travel record to India, India, Paraguay, Peru, South Africa, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela, and Vietnam over the last 14 days would not be allowed to disembark at the Colombo airport.

### **Guidelines to travel to Sri Lanka**

- All Travelers must submit a Negative COVID-19 PCR report (in English language) taken within 72 hours prior to embarkation (all travelers excluding children below 2 years). The hours for the PCR report prior boarding may defer depending on the airline guidelines.
- Fully vaccinated Travelers who are discharged from quarantine with a negative Covid-19 PCR report (usually between 24-48 hours since check-in), don't have to undergo the 2nd PCR test in Sri Lanka (which was previously scheduled on Day 7 since arriving to Sri Lanka).
- Non-Vaccinated children and teenagers (2-18 years) who have been released with their Fully vaccinated parents (usually between 24-48 hours since check-in), should undergo a PCR test on day 7 since arriving to Sri Lanka.

- Note: Any traveler who falls into any of the below categories, will be treated as NON-Vaccinated Travelers,
  - Travelers who have not received Covid-19 vaccination
  - Travelers who have not completed the recommended doses of Covid-19 vaccination
  - Travelers who have departed from abroad within less than 2-weeks of completion of recommended doses of Covid-19 vaccination
  - Travelers who have been previously affected by COVID-19 and have only one dose of vaccination

The following attractions are now available for tourists travelling within the safety of the bio-bubble:

- ❖ Sigiriya Rock Fortress (daily between 0700 – 1600 hrs.)
- ❖ Polonnaruwa site (daily between 0700 – 1600 hrs.)
- ❖ Anuradhapura site (daily between 0700 – 1600 hrs.)
- ❖ Minneriya National Park (daily between 0600 – 1800 hrs.)
- ❖ Hurulu Eco Park (daily between 0600 – 1800 hrs.)
- ❖ Dambulla Cave Temple (daily between 0700 – 1600 hrs.)
- ❖ Dambulla Popham’s Arboretum (daily between 0900 – 1200 hrs.)
- ❖ Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage (daily between 0700 – 1400 hrs.)
- ❖ Temple of the Tooth in Kandy (daily between 1130 – 1200 hrs.)
- ❖ Royal Botanical Garden in Kandy (daily between 0900 – 1200 hrs.)
- ❖ Udawatte kele sanctuary in Kandy (daily between 0600 – 1800 hrs.)
- ❖ Horton Plains National Park in Nuwara Eliya (daily between 0600 – 1800 hrs.)
- ❖ Udawalawe National Park (daily between 0600 – 1800 hrs.)
- ❖ Yala National Park (daily between 0600 – 1800 hrs.)
- ❖ Ridigama Safari Park in Hambantota (daily between 0900 – 1600 hrs. open from 1st August 2021)
- ❖ Mirijjawila Botanical Garden in Hambantota (daily between 0900 – 1200 hrs.)
- ❖ Mirissa whale watching (daily between 0700 – 1400 hrs., season is from November to April)
- ❖ Sinharaja Rain Forest (daily between 0600 – 1800 hrs.)

The coronavirus case count in Srilanka now stands as follows according to latest

health ministry figures.

**Overall Data** (Updated on 27<sup>th</sup> July)

<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>Active Cases</b>	<b>Recovered</b>	<b>Deaths</b>
298,181	23,678	270,356	4,147

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