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Australia	<p><b>-Entry bans:</b></p> <p>Entry ban for non-citizens and non-residents, except Australian citizens, permanent residents and their direct family members, New Zealand citizens who are usually resident in Australia, and some exceptions for trips for compassionate reasons (see further explanation below).</p> <p>Some travelers may require an Australian visa such as a Transit, subclass 771 visa in order to clear immigration, even if they have met all other 'transit without a visa' (TWOV) requirements. Some transit exemptions apply.</p> <p>Immediate family members of Australian citizens and permanent residents – this is limited to spouses (married or de facto), legal guardians and dependents, for example, dependent children. These family members must obtain/hold an appropriate temporary visa to enter Australia (for example, Visitor visa) and must present appropriate evidence of the relationship, such as marriage certificate, evidence of de-facto relationship such as shared finances or property, birth certificate or birth certificate for children. Importantly, these immediate family members are also required to undertake an additional preclearance step by submitting an online enquiry form prior to travel to Australia.</p> <p>Holders of Temporary Partner (subclass 309 or subclass 820) visas or Dependent Child (subclass 445) visas qualify under the exemption.</p> <p>New Zealand citizens who are usually resident in Australia – where seeking to enter Australia, must carry proof of residency in Australia (driver's license or documents in relation to residency such as recent utility bill or bank statement to evidence Australian address).</p> <p>Additional exemptions include foreign nationals travelling at the invitation of the Australian Commonwealth Government to assist in the COVID-19 response or whose entry would be in the national interest; critical medical services, including air ambulance and delivery of supplies, that regularly arrive into Australia from international ports; persons with critical skills (for example, medical specialists, engineers, marine pilots and crews) by exception; diplomats accredited to Australia and currently resident in Australia, and their immediate family; and case-by-case exceptions due to humanitarian or compassionate reasons, which may include</p>
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	<p>separation of immediate family members who are holders of temporary work (e.g. TSS) or other longer-term visas. In all cases, sufficient evidence must be provided in support of the request to exercise the discretion to grant relief in certain circumstances. Travel to Australia should not be attempted until the approval of the specific exemption.</p> <p>Information about transit exemptions:</p> <p>Transit exemptions do not apply to any foreign nationals who have been in Mainland China, Iran, South Korea or Italy in the previous 14 days prior to transit. All transits must occur on the same day as arrival and passengers must remain in the sterile transit area. Check transit facilities at Australian airports and if you are eligible to transit without a visa.</p> <p>Citizens of the following countries can transit through Australia to return home: Cook Islands, Nauru, Samoa, Fiji, New Caledonia, Solomon Islands, French Polynesia, New Zealand, Timor Leste, Kiribati, Niue, Tonga, Marshall Islands, Palau Tuvalu, Micronesia Papua, New Guinea, Vanuatu</p> <p><b>-Quarantine:</b></p> <p>Self-isolation for 14 days for the exempt travelers mentioned above.</p> <p><b>-Restrictions:</b></p> <p>Exit ban for Australian citizens or permanent residents. Exemptions are available to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~Persons ordinarily resident in a country other than Australia</li> <li>~Members of the crew of an aircraft or vessel (other than an outgoing aircraft vessel) or workers associated with the safety or maintenance of the aircraft or vessel;</li> <li>~Persons engaged in the day-to-day conduct of inbound and outbound freight;</li> <li>persons whose travel is associated with essential work at an offshore facility;</li> <li>~Persons travelling on official government business (including a member of the Australian Defence Force).</li> </ul> <p>Exemptions may also be available on a case-by-case basis to the following where they are able to demonstrate exceptional circumstances providing a 'compelling reason for needing to leave Australian territory':</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~Australian citizens</li> </ul>
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	<p>~Permanent residents ~Operators of an outgoing passenger aircraft or vessel.</p>
Canada	<p><b>-Entry ban:</b></p> <p>The US-Canada land border is closed to all "non-essential" travel, which is travel for tourism and/or recreation until at least July 21.</p> <p>No entry does not apply to: Canadian citizens and their immediate family members, Canadian permanent residents and their immediate family members, immediate family members of Canadian temporary residents (work permit holders, study permit holders, visitors) who reside in Canada for the purpose of reunification; Foreign nationals holding a valid work permit and those who have been pre-approved for a work permit; foreign nationals without work authorization but intending to perform specific duties within specific sectors; International student holding a valid study permit, foreign nationals approved for a study permit on or before 18 March, and those authorized to study in specific medical fields; foreign nationals approved for permanent residence on or before 18 March, residing outside of Canada who have not yet landed to become permanent residents; foreign diplomats and their immediate family members; flight and marine crews; and other protected persons.</p> <p><b>-Quarantines:</b></p> <p>Mandatory self-isolation for 14 days for all travelers into Canada, until August 31, 2020</p> <p><b>-Government closures:</b></p> <p>Many Canada Visa Application Centres are temporarily closed or working with less staff. The status of VACs should be checked on a case by case basis.</p> <p>Various inland processing centres are working with minimal staffing levels, processing times will increase.</p> <p>Biometrics collection offices are temporarily closed both domestically and abroad. Applicants now have a 90-day period in which to provide evidence of submission.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p>

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	<p>Foreign nationals in Canada whose statuses have or will expire imminently can still apply to extend their status inland through an extension application (if they are still in status), a restoration application (if their status expired within the past 90 days) or a temporary resident permit application (if their status expired more than 90 days ago). If they choose to exit Canada the bar to re-entry may apply.</p> <p>Applications for new work permits submitted at the port of entry will only be accepted from those arriving from the US.</p> <p>Obtaining or renewing an immigrant status documents is deemed non-essential and is not permitted at Canadian land border crossings.</p> <p>Temporary Resident Visa and eTA applications are now being processed in order of priority, so those for a non-essential purpose will now be processed but may have delays.</p> <p><b>-Restrictions:</b></p> <p>Travelers showing symptoms of the coronavirus prior to boarding a flight to Canada will not be permitted to board, regardless of citizenship. Travelers found to have the virus will be barred from airline travel for a minimum of 14 days and must show a medical certificate showing they no longer have it before being able to board a plane.</p>
Germany	<p><b>-Entry bans:</b></p> <p>All land borders are reopened. Land borders with Austria, Denmark, France, Luxemburg, and Switzerland are open.</p> <p>Most non-EU nationals are banned from entering Germany until further notice. Entry permitted for EU nationals, UK nationals, nationals of Schengen associated countries, and their family members, EU long-term residence permit holders, those holding other types of EU or national residence permits.</p> <p><b>-Quarantine:</b></p> <p>14-day quarantine for all individuals re-entering after being abroad for several days or more. Most federal states exempt EU nationals from quarantine.</p> <p><b>-Government closures/suspensions:</b></p>

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	<p>Immigration offices operate with limited services, mostly emergency applications. Immigration offices in Berlin and Munich require an emergency appointment. Town halls are limited to emergency applications, but should be checked individually before visiting.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>Until June 30, third-country nationals in Germany holding a valid C-Visa on March 17 or who travelled to Germany between March 17 and April 9, 2020 with a valid C-Visa are exempt from obtaining a residence permit after their C-Visa expires. If the C-Visa was combined with a work permission, the third-country national can continue working under this work permission until June 30.</p>
Italy	<p><b>-Entry ban:</b></p> <p>There is some easing of travel restrictions. Entry now possible for the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-non-EU nationals travelling for work, necessity, health needs or to reenter Italy as their place of residence</li> <li>-EU/UK/Schengen nationals and their family</li> <li>-EU long-term residence permit holders, other EU or national residence permit holders or long-term visas</li> </ul> <p>All others remain banned from entry until further notice.</p> <p><b>-Quarantine:</b></p> <p>14-day home quarantine required for all travelers, except those from EU/Schengen area countries, Andorra, Ireland, Monaco, San Marino, UK and Vatican Cty, and business travelers staying less than 72 hours</p> <p><b>-Government closures:</b></p> <p>Most immigration offices are closed until further notice. Permit issuance will be delayed for all types.</p> <p>All actions requiring personal appearance have been suspended.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>The validity of Italian identification documents (identity cards, passports etc.) expiring on or after March 17 has been extended until August 31, 2020.</p>

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	<p>Deadlines to file stay permit applications within eight business days of arrival and renewal applications within 60 days within the date of expiration lifted. Non-EU nationals who do not meet these deadlines due to public office closure not subject to penalties.</p> <p>All Italian permits, authorizations, certificates and clearances, including residence permits expiring between 31 Jan and 31 July are automatically extended to 31 Aug 2020. Renewals can be submitted until 29 Oct.</p> <p>Foreign nationals outside of Italy who hold an expired visa/residence permit do not need to apply for a re-entry permit to fly back to Italy. If having issues with reentry, they should contact the Italian consulate for assistance.</p>
Japan	<p><b>-Entry bans:</b></p> <p>Entry ban for foreign nationals who have visited or stayed in the following areas within the 14 days prior to their arrival can be found at <a href="https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/fna/page4e_001053.html">https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/fna/page4e_001053.html</a></p> <p>Foreign nationals holding Japanese visa status may be permitted to reenter Japan under certain circumstances.</p> <p><b>-Quarantine:</b></p> <p>14-day quarantine at a designated facility for all Japanese and foreign nationals.</p> <p>Every passenger must complete a health declaration card. Travelers arriving from list of countries within entry ban may be subject to COVID-19 testing.</p> <p><b>-Visa suspensions:</b></p> <p>Visas issued by the Japanese Consular posts in Mainland China, Hong Kong SAR, or South Korea on or before 8 March 2020 are invalid. Visas issued by the Japanese Consular posts in the Schengen countries, plus Andorra, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Egypt, Iran, Ireland, Monaco, Romania, San Marino, the United Kingdom, and Vatican on or before 20 March 2020 are invalid.</p> <p>Visas issued by the Japanese Consular posts in Israel, Indonesia, Qatar, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Singapore, Thailand, Bahrain, Philippines, Brunei, Vietnam and Malaysia on or before 27 March 2020 are invalid until further notice</p>

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	<p><b>-Visa exemption suspension:</b></p> <p>Visa exemption for British National (Overseas), Hong Kong SAR, Macau SAR or South Korea passport holders has been suspended (except for Japan Residence Card holders).</p> <p>Visa exemption for Schengen countries, passport holders has been suspended (until April 30). Visa exemption for Israel, Indonesia, Qatar, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Singapore, Thailand, Bahrain, Philippines, Brunei, Vietnam and Malaysia passport holders has been suspended</p> <p>Suspension of visas issued at the Japanese Consular posts in Mainland China, Hong Kong SAR or South Korea until the entry ban for these groups of foreign nationals is lifted. This includes Certificate of Eligibility holders.</p> <p>Suspension of visas issued at the Japanese Consular posts in Schengen countries, including COE holders.</p> <p>Suspension of visas issued at the Japanese Consular posts in Israel, Indonesia, Qatar, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Singapore, Thailand, Bahrain, Philippines, Brunei, Vietnam and Malaysia, includes COE holders.</p> <p><b>-Restrictions:</b></p> <p>Airlines carrying passengers from China, South Korea, Hong Kong SAR, and Macau SAR are required to fly into Japan through Tokyo's Narita International Airport and Osaka's Kansai International Airport. Every passenger must fill out a health declaration card.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>Visa extensions granted for temporary visitor visa holders from Hubei Province, who are unable to return to Hubei Province. Visa extensions granted for temporary visitor visa holders who are unable to secure flights to return to their home countries, due to the Covid-19 situation in their home country.</p> <p>COEs will be valid for 6 months instead of 3 months.</p>
Mainland China	<p><b>-Entry bans:</b></p> <p>Entry only allowed for Chinese citizens, permanent residents of Mainland China, and residents of Hong Kong SAR, Macau SAR and Taiwan.</p>

	<p>Entry ban for foreign nationals holding valid Mainland Chinese visas or residence permits issued on or before March 28, 2020. This includes a number of short-term visas. Foreign nationals with diplomatic, service, courtesy or C visas will not be affected. Foreign nationals coming to China for necessary economic, trade, scientific or technological activities or out of emergency humanitarian needs may apply for visas at Chinese consular posts.</p> <p>Entry by foreign nationals with visas issued after March 28, 2020 is permitted.</p> <p><b>-Quarantines:</b></p> <p>Mandatory medical observation for persons entering Beijing, Shanghai, Guangdong and Chengdu.</p> <p>Mandatory 14-day quarantines at government-run facilities may apply for entrants from certain locations and to certain areas of Mainland China.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>Automatic two-month extension of visas and residence permits for foreign nationals currently in Mainland China.</p> <p>Foreign nationals whose residence permits expired while they were abroad can apply for a visa-on-arrival with their expired residence permit upon entry in Mainland China.</p> <p>Reduced supporting documentation requirements for Category A Work Permit applications in Shanghai, shorter processing time for Shanghai Work Permit processing, and other concessions in Shanghai as listed here.</p> <p>Rule for renewal applications to be filed at least 30 days prior to the expiry of an existing Work Permit temporarily suspended. This rule was enforced since February 2018.</p> <p>Online applications accepted without personal appearances in most Expert Bureaus (including but not limited to Shanghai, Beijing, Zhejiang, Guangzhou, Chengdu, Shenzhen, Suzhou, Hefei, Tianjing, Chongqing). For all locations, the employer and employee must provide a signed commitment letter to promise the authenticity and validity of their</p>
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	online submission and must maintain the original file for further checks if needed.
Hong Kong	<p><b>-Entry Bans &amp; Restrictions:</b></p> <p>Entry ban for all non-Hong Kong residents entering from overseas countries and regions by plane.</p> <p>Entry ban for non-Hong Kong residents entering from Mainland China, Macau SAR or Taiwan if they have been to any overseas countries and regions in the previous 14 days.</p> <p>Suspension of all transit services at Hong Kong International Airport</p> <p><b>-Quarantines:</b></p> <p>Until August 7, 2020, 14-day enforced home quarantine for all travelers entering Hong Kong SAR, from Mainland China, Macau SAR and Taiwan, including Hong Kong and non-Hong Kong residents.</p> <p>Until September 18, 2020, 14-day enforced home quarantine for all international travelers arriving at Hong Kong SAR.</p> <p><b>-Government Closures &amp; Suspensions:</b></p> <p>The immigration department has reopened for full public services.</p> <p>Extension of stay applications can only be submitted maximum one month prior to visa expiry. Approval notification will be sent in approximately two to three weeks.</p> <p>The processing time for entry visa applications will be longer than standard four to six weeks</p>
India	<p><b>-Quarantine:</b></p> <p>14-day enforced quarantine for all travelers (7 days in a government facility followed by 7-day home quarantine), with limited exceptions such as for pregnant women or seriously ill travelers, those with children under 10, for which 14-day home quarantine may be permitted in some states.</p> <p>COVID-19 test upon entry may be required in some states.</p> <p><b>Government Closures &amp; Suspensions:</b></p>

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	<p>Suspension of all visa services until further notice.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>Visas granted to foreign nationals who are already in India will remain valid.</p> <p>Employment visa holders with on-going assignments in India can extend their visas in-country along with their dependents as per the existing process.</p> <p>Foreign nationals who cannot leave India due to current travel bans and are holding any other visas that have upcoming expiration dates or which are nearing their maximum consecutive stay may extend their visas in-country or obtain Exit Permits to leave India once the lock down is lifted. Applications will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the local Foreigners Regional Registration Office once submitted.</p> <p>Indian nationals who need to travel back for compelling reasons must register with their jurisdictional Indian mission.</p> <p><b>-Restrictions:</b></p> <p>Suspension of all incoming or outgoing international passenger airline services until 31 July 2020.</p>
Mexico	<p><b>-Entry Ban:</b></p> <p>The United States and Mexico temporarily restrict travelers crossing the U.S.-Mexico land border for "non-essential purposes" until at least July 21. "Non-essential" travel is defined as travel that is for tourism or recreation. U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents, business travelers, and those with valid U.S. travel documents are exempt from the border restrictions. However, it is possible business travelers could face additional scrutiny at the border.</p> <p><b>-Government closures/suspensions:</b></p> <p>INM offices will not be operating at full capacity with reductions to staff and limited services offered at its branches.</p> <p>Suspension of document apostille by all federal and local offices of the Secretaría de Gobernación.</p> <p>Suspension of document legalization by all offices of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Suspension of passport issuance by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.</p>

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	<p>Suspension of issuance of birth and marriage certificates, and registration of children born abroad to Mexican parents, by all federal and local civil registry offices.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>Suspension of deadlines until further notice for all immigration related processed under the INM, for foreign nationals with temporary or permanent residence status in Mexico.</p> <p>Extensions for the validity period of exit re-entry permits expiring on or after April 1, issued to foreign nationals with resident status in Mexico may be granted. Should be checked on a case-by-case basis.</p>
Netherlands	<p><b>-Entry bans:</b></p> <p>Entry ban for non-resident foreign nationals until 30 June, <u>except</u>:</p> <p>-Residents of Algeria, Australia, Canada, Georgia, Japan, Morocco, New Zealand, Rwanda, South Korea, Thailand, Tunisia and Uruguay. Nationals of China will be permitted entry once EU travelers are allowed to reciprocally enter Mainland China. Countries may be added or removed by July 15, or sooner in case of rapid epidemiological deterioration. This 'greenlist' is in addition to residents of Andorra, Monaco, San Marino, the United Kingdom and Vatican City, who are already permitted entry.</p> <p>-family members of Dutch nationals or residents; EU/Schengen/UK nationals and their family; EU long-term residence permit holders; Dutch long-term visa or permit holders; cross-border, transport and essential workers; those in transit; and those in a situation of absolute necessity.</p> <p>- Visa-exempt nationals with newly approved EU Blue Cards, EU Intracompany Transferee (ICT) Permits, Highly Skilled Migrant permits, researcher and student permits, carrying an approval letter and a written statement from their employer stating that they must be in the Netherlands for their work, the reason for their stay, and why this cannot be postponed.</p> <p><b>-Government Closures:</b></p>

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	<p>The Dutch Immigration Authority (IND) is gradually reopening desk services.</p> <p>Immigration officials will contact both visa-exempt nationals to schedule appointments for biometric data capture and first residence card collection. Foreign nationals can also schedule an appointment themselves via the online tool. They should anticipate appointment waiting times since there is a backlog and desk capacity is limited due to safety measures.</p> <p>IND desks continue to offer limited services until further notice: Schengen visa extensions and collection of residence permit cards is possible. Return visas and EU family member applications are currently not possible. Applicants are advised to check the IND website before visiting.</p> <p>The Labour Authority (UWV) continues to process short-term work permit applications, although travel for short-term work is not currently possible under the entry ban. Employers should notify the UWV if short-term work permits are not used for four consecutive weeks.</p> <p>Town Halls remain open for urgent appointments (no strict definition of urgent), but request that anyone showing symptoms not to come.</p> <p><b>-Quarantine:</b></p> <p>Travelers are advised to complete a 14-day home quarantine, but it is not mandatory.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>Dutch nationals stuck abroad can make a request to repatriate <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>Assignees who cannot collect the MVV on time (within three months after approval) must contact the Dutch representation and indicate this. The Embassy may then extend the possible collection time for another three months.</p> <p>For Residence Permit or work authorization stickers that cannot be collected in person, foreign national can perform work on the basis of the approval letter.</p>
Singapore	<b>-Entry bans:</b>

	<p>Entry and transit ban for all short-term travelers without Singaporean resident status.</p> <p>There is a pre-approval entry requirement for work pass holders of all nationalities, their dependents and those with IPAs entering Singapore, holders of Long Term Visit Pass issued by the Immigration and Checkpoints Authority (ICA).</p> <p><b>-Quarantines:</b></p> <p>All travelers (including Singaporeans, permanent residents, approved long-term pass holders, approved holders of In Principle Approval Letter (IPA)s entering Singapore will be issued a 14-day Stay-Home Notice (SHN). Noncompliance with this rule can result in revocation of long-term or work passes or Singapore permanent residence status and prosecution under the Infectious Diseases Act.</p> <p>Quarantine for 14 days for returning Singapore residents and approved long-term pass holders who visited Hubei Province in the 14 days prior to entry.</p> <p><b>-Government Closures &amp; Suspensions:</b></p> <p>Employers can only apply for passes for foreign nationals who are in Singapore. For those abroad, approvals for any new applications will be limited. Renewals will be processed regardless of location of applicant, but renewed passes can only be issued if applicant is in Singapore.</p> <p>Pass holders can now make an appointment to visit the Employment Pass Services Center or MOM Center for card registration.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>Until September 2, 2020, companies in the manufacturing and services sectors will be allowed to hire existing Mainland Chinese national Work Permit holders who are in Singapore, with the agreement of their current employer. Currently, Mainland Chinese national Work Permit holders must leave Singapore before they can qualify to work for companies in Singapore. Under this temporary policy, existing Mainland Chinese national Work Permit holders may apply for a new work permit to work for another employer without leaving Singapore. This scheme already exists in the construction, process and marine sectors.</p>
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	<p><b>-Restrictions:</b></p> <p>All travelers must submit a health declaration before proceeding with immigration clearance. The health declaration can be submitted online three days prior to arrival via SG Arrival Card e-Service.</p>
South Korea	<p><b>-Entry Bans:</b></p> <p>Entry ban for foreign nationals who have visited or resided in Hubei Province of China within 14 days of entry.</p> <p>Entry ban for Chinese nationals holding a passport issued in Hubei Province</p> <p><b>-Visa Suspensions:</b></p> <p>Suspension of visa-waiver entry for nationals of 56 countries.</p> <p>Suspension of visa-free entry for nationals of 34 countries.</p> <p>Suspended countries list can be found at <a href="http://immigration.go.kr">immigration.go.kr</a></p> <p>Visas now required for transit through South Korea, for Mainland Chinese nationals and visa nationals arriving from Mainland China (with some exceptions).</p> <p>Short-term visas issued before April 6, 2020 are null and foreign nationals who hold short-term visas that were issued before April 6, 2020 must re-apply for new visas, under more stringent rules and greater scrutiny by the Korean consular posts.</p> <p><b>-Quarantines:</b></p> <p>Passengers arriving from any country may be subject to quarantine procedures. They may be requested to install a self-diagnosis application on their personal device and a completed Health Declaration Form and a Special Quarantine Declaration Form must be presented on arrival.</p> <p>From April 1, the Korean government will require all travelers to Korea (whether they enter on short-term (visa waiver) or long-term visa status) to undergo stricter special entry procedures, which include a 14-day self-isolation period at a government-designated facility, applicable to all travelers.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p>

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	<p>Automatic extension for 3 months from the existing expiry date for long-term visa holders with Alien Registration Cards whose period of stay expires on or before 31 May 2020, but only if they were in South Korea on 9 April, when this policy went into effect. One should first check if they are covered by the extension and not automatically assume the same (Fragomen can assist in checking online, upon request, if we have or are provided their passport/ARC copies).</p> <p>Foreign nationals in Korea on B-1/B-2 visas-on-arrival or C-3/C-4 visas who are unable to leave South Korea due to flight restrictions from South Korea to their home country or country of residence can apply for an extension of their visa for up to 30 days (generally, the extension would be granted up to the date of the outbound flight secured). Depending on circumstances, applicants may be able to apply for an additional extension, which may be granted on a case-by-case basis.</p>
Taiwan	<p><b>-Entry bans:</b></p> <p>Entry ban for all foreign nationals except: foreign nationals holding valid Alien Resident Certificates; Alien Permanent Resident Certificates; Taiwan Resident Certificate of a Taiwanese spouse or a Taiwanese national without a valid Taiwan household; or individuals that can produce documents showing that their entry has been granted by the overseas Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (such as for a diplomatic or business purpose).</p> <p><b>-Quarantines:</b></p> <p>Home quarantine for 14 days for all travelers (including Taiwanese).</p> <p><b>-Restrictions:</b></p> <p>Suspension on entry permit issuance for Hong Kong SAR and Macau SAR residents. Those who entered prior to this date must self-isolate for 14 days in Taiwan.</p> <p>Suspension of e-gate entrance for all travelers without valid household registration in Taiwan, which includes foreign nationals as well as TRC holders from Mainland China, Hong Kong SAR and Macau SAR.</p>

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	<p>Suspension of issuance of entry visas by the overseas Taipei Economic and Cultural Office for foreign nationals.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>Travelers who entered Taiwan on or before March 21, 2020 on a visitor visa, a landing/transit visa, or through a visa-waiver program and who have not overstayed their legal stay period will be granted an automatic 30-day extension. No application required. The total period of stay cannot exceed 180 days. These conditions are subject to change.</p>
Thailand	<p><b>-Entry bans:</b></p> <p>The declared state of emergency remains in place until July 31, 2020.</p> <p>International flight ban has been lifted. Foreign nationals should check with their airline prior to booking if travel is possible.</p> <p>The Board of Investments (BOI) has confirmed that BOI-promoted companies can submit a special request to bring in a foreign national employee who holds a work permit or permission to work in Thailand.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>Foreign nationals who have entered Thailand on the basis of a Non-Immigrant Visa, Visa-on Arrival, or Visa Exemption status whose permission to stay will expire on or after March 26, 2020, the following rule applies: Such foreign nationals are eligible to obtain an automatic visa extension, until July 31, 2020. An application for a visa extension is not required.</p> <p><b>-Quarantines:</b></p> <p>14-day quarantine, likely at a government facility (often a hotel), at their own expense, for foreign nationals who enter Thailand on an exceptional basis. Travelers who are subject to quarantine should contact the Ministry of Public Health for further information.</p>
United States	<p><b>-Suspensions:</b></p> <p>Temporary restriction of certain visas from being issued. Included categories: L-1, H-1b, H-2b, J-1 This does not affect those already working in the US or holding valid visas. The restriction began June 24 and is expected to go until the end of 2020.</p>



	<p>USCIS is preparing to lay off staff. Processing delays are expected.</p> <p><b>-Entry Bans/Travel Restrictions:</b></p> <p>The entry of immigrants to the United States is suspended until December 31, 2020 if 1) they are outside the United States on the effective date of the proclamation; 2) they do not have a valid immigrant visa as of the effective date of the proclamation; and 3) they do not have an official travel document other than a visa (e.g. a transportation letter, boarding foil, or advance parole) that is valid as of the effective date of the proclamation or issued thereafter.</p> <p>Foreign nationals will be barred from entering the United States if they have been physically present in one of the 26 countries of the Schengen Area within 14 days before their attempted entry.</p> <p>Only essential travel is permitted across the U.S.-Mexico and U.S.-Canada land borders (and ferry travel) through at least July 21.</p> <p>Foreign nationals who have been physically present in the United Kingdom or Ireland within 14 days before seeking admission to the United States will be denied entry.</p> <p>Foreign nationals who have been physically present in Brazil within 14 days before seeking admission to the United States will be denied entry.</p> <p>Entry ban for foreign nationals who have visited China or Iran within 14 days of seeking admission, except lawful permanent residents, immediate family members of U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents, and certain others.</p> <p><b>-Quarantines:</b></p> <p>For U.S. citizens who have visited China's Hubei Province within 14 days before reentry. Advanced screenings for citizens returning from other parts of Mainland China, as well as self-imposed quarantine. U.S. permanent residents, immediate family of U.S. citizens and permanent residents and others exempted from the entry ban may be subject to quarantine.</p> <p>All U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents and exempt foreign nationals traveling to the United</p>
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	<p>States after visiting a Schengen Area country, the UK, Ireland, China or Iran within 14 days of entry to the United States will have to self-quarantine, subject to monitoring by state and local health authorities.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>Extension of deadline by 60 days for certain requests for evidence (RFEs), notice of intent to deny (NOIDs), Notices of Intent to Revoke (NOIR), Notices of Intent to Terminate (NOIT) regional investment centers, and certain filing date requirements for Form I-290B, Notice of Appeal or Motion dated between March 1 and May 1, 2020. If USCIS issued an RFE, NOID or NOIT dated between March 1 and May 1, 2020, the agency will accept responses submitted within 60 calendar days after the original response deadline. Any Form I-290B received up to 60 calendar days from the date of the decision will be considered by USCIS before it takes any action. This does not affect applications for extensions of stay or employment authorization. Applicants who had an appointment scheduled with an Application Support Center on or after the March 18, 2020 closure or who filed a Form I-765, Application for Employment Authorization extension will have their application processed using previously submitted biometrics. This will remain in effect until ASCs resume normal operations.</p>
United Kingdom	<p><b>-Travel Restrictions:</b></p> <p>There are no travel restrictions.</p> <p><b>-Quarantine:</b></p> <p>14-day home quarantine for international arrivals, except transport workers, cross-border workers and certain essential staff. Some countries are exempt, a list can be found here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus">gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus</a></p> <p>Travelers must provide contact and accommodation information. If they cannot prove personal accommodation, they will be required to quarantine in government-provided accommodation.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>Foreign nationals with recently expired UK 30-day entry visas, or entry visas about to expire, can apply for a free replacement visa through 2020 by contacting the Coronavirus Immigration Help Center.</p>

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	<p>Suspension of penalties for failure to attend an online visa appointment, inability to book a visa appointment, or failure to collect biometric residence permits (BRP).</p> <p>Foreign nationals holding visas that expire between January 24, 2020 and July 31, 2020 and who are currently unable to return to their home country due to travel restriction or self-isolation will be able to extend their visas until July 31, 2020.</p>
Vietnam	<p><b>-Entry Bans:</b></p> <p>Entry ban for all foreign nationals holding ordinary passports and Vietnamese visas (category TT, VR, or DN) and foreign nationals of Vietnamese origin (with 3-year or 5-year visa waiver).</p> <p><b>-Suspensions:</b></p> <p>Visa exemption suspended for all nationalities</p> <p>Entry visa (all types) suspended for all nationalities.</p> <p>As of 27 March 2020, the Immigration departments in Hanoi and HCMC have resumed accepting Temporary Residence Card (TRC) and long-term visa extension applications for those in the country, as per normal.</p> <p><b>-Quarantines:</b></p> <p>14-day quarantine for all passengers arriving in Vietnam,</p> <p>Any foreign national in Vietnam may, at any time, be subject to quarantine at a designated health facility or mandatory home quarantine for up to 14 days, if they have been in direct contact with, in the same place at some point, or simply in contact with a third person who has been in direct contact with a person affected with Covid-19.</p> <p><b>-Concessions:</b></p> <p>On May 18, Vietnam's Ministry of Public Security announced a new policy, providing an automatic extension of temporary stay for foreign nationals in certain qualifying groups with plans to depart Vietnam.</p>

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