

FIGHT COVID-19



Dear Vistara Customer,

As per the latest guidelines by UK government, only British, Irish and third-country nationals with residence rights will be allowed to travel to the UK.

All passengers must quarantine in a government-approved hotel quarantine facility for at least 10 days, which they have to pre-book before their travel.

During this period, passengers will be required to take COVID-19 tests on or before day2, and on or after day 8 of their stay, and they will not be allowed to shorten their quarantine period on receipt of a negative test result or through the Test to Release scheme.

Please refer <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/booking-and-staying-in-a-quarantine-hotel-when-you-arrive-in-england> for more details.

Categories of passenger permitted to travel to the UK following red-listing on Friday 23/04 0400 BST:

- ➔ British Citizens (including those with dual nationality)
- ➔ Irish Citizens (including those with dual nationality)
- ➔ Individuals with protected rights by the [saved EEA regulations](#), including:
 - o Those with a right of permanent residence under the saved EEA Regulations
 - o Holders of EU Settlement Scheme ("EUSS") leave
 - o Those who hold an existing qualification under the terms of the 'Withdrawal Agreement'
 - o Family members of EEA nationals with rights under the 'Withdrawal Agreement'
- ➔ Third country nationals who are resident in the UK. For these purposes those with residence are defined as:
 - o Holders of settlement (indefinite leave)
 - o Holders of existing permission to enter or stay remain, or an entry clearance that grants such permission e.g. students, workers, etc (excluding visit visas)
- ➔ Crew of unaccompanied freight, where crew will be expected to stay on the vessel or plane - Crew disembarking from the aircraft/vessel and planning to enter the UK will be subject to the [passenger locator form \(PLF\)](#) and [self-isolation requirements](#), and also subject to the entry ban if they are visitors (not UK or Irish citizens or third country nationals with residence rights in the UK).

- ➔ Diplomats
- ➔ Passengers arriving via Common Travel Area (CTA) routes
- ➔ Hauliers who have departed from or transited through Portugal in the last 10 days
- ➔ Newly issued 90-day BRP vignette holders where leave has not yet been activated
- ➔ Short term study visa
- ➔ ODWs holding valid visas if travelling to the UK with the employer, their partner or children

The Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC) has contacted us regarding **up to one thousand nurses per month over the next six months** who will be travelling to the UK from India to work in the National Health Service.

The DHSC are keen given the red-listing and flight cancellation situation in India that these essential workers are not held up at boarding.

To note:

- ➔ The nurses will be exempt from Government quarantine on arrival in the UK, as they will be allowed to quarantine in NHS-provided accommodation;
- ➔ They will hold Health and Care Worker visas, guidance available at: <https://www.gov.uk/health-care-worker-visa>

To demonstrate eligibility for exemption nurses will have (and be prepared to show at departure and immigration) a copy/online provision of:

- ➔ A letter of exemption from their employing NHS Trust which will include:
 - o the nurse's name and date of birth
 - o passport number
 - o certificate of sponsorship number
 - o name of employing Trust and Trust contact number
 - o Date of arrival and arrival airport.
- ➔ A sponsorship certificate issued from the same NHS Trust to include:
 - o the nurse's name and date of birth;
 - o name of the employing NHS Trust
 - o Passport Number

Passengers are also required to complete a Passenger Locator Form and carry a Covid negative test result taken no more than 3 days before departure.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Team Vistara
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