



Mobility: Immigration alert

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Argentina

New, heightened entry rules for individuals traveling from Africa

Executive summary

The Argentine Government recently announced that admissible individuals seeking to travel to Argentina from countries in Africa, or who were recently present in Africa, must quarantine for 14 days on arrival and test negative for COVID-19 before ending their quarantine.

Background

The change in policy was announced following the discovery of the B.1.1.529 ("omicron") variant of COVID-19 in southern Africa and is designed to limit the spread of the omicron variant in Argentina. All non-Argentine nationals and residents seeking to travel to Argentina must already be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (and they must have received the final dose of an approved COVID-19 vaccine at least 14 days prior to travel). These travelers are also required to take a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) COVID-19 test no more than 72 hours prior to their trip, and test negative, to be admitted.

Key issues

Unlike travelers departing from other continents, fully vaccinated individuals traveling from Africa, and those who were present in Africa in the 14 days preceding their desired travel to Argentina, must quarantine for 14 days upon arrival, in a hotel or other suitable private residence. In addition, these travelers are required to take another PCR COVID-19 test 10 days after their pre-travel PCR COVID-19 test. They may not end their quarantine until/unless they test negative for the PCR COVID-19 test taken in Argentina.

Travelers departing from Africa, or who were recently present in Africa, must include their time spent in Africa in their pre-travel [declaration form](#). Failure to do so may result in travelers being denied admission to Argentina.

Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.

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