

Ecuador

Ecuador extends state of emergency until 31 March 2024

Executive summary

On 5 March 2024, Ecuador extended the ongoing state of emergency in the country until 31 March 2024 to manage domestic security concerns.

Key developments

As part of the emergency, which <u>began</u> on 8 January 2024, the following policy and process changes were introduced. These measures have now been extended until 31 March 2024:

- Peruvian and Colombian nationals entering Ecuador by land must submit an apostilled criminal records certificate issued recently by competent authorities in their country of citizenship or the countries where they resided in the five years prior to entry, confirming that they do not have any criminal convictions during this time period.
- ▶ Freedom of movement is restricted. Curfews have been introduced in cities nationwide. In Quito and Guayaquil, the curfew is from midnight until 5 am local time. Travel to and from airports during the curfew period is permitted for individuals traveling on scheduled flights. These individuals may be required to present their plane ticket to the authorities if requested.

Impact on employers

Companies that employ impacted individuals may inform them of the changes and stay updated with the ongoing developments to ensure their employees' safety and wellbeing and minimize business disruptions.

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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