

INFORMS

CHANGES TO ECUADOR ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We would like to let you know that the Ecuadorian authorities recently updated the regulations regarding travelers entering Ecuador. The rules for all travelers are now as follows:

- Airlines will check travelers have a negative PCR COVID-19 test certificate taken within 10 days of their arrival date in Ecuador before embarking on their flight(s). Travelers without the correct certificate will be denied boarding.
- Travelers must fill out a health status and contact information form.
- Upon arrival at airports in Ecuador, the Ministry of Health will carry out random antigen tests on all passengers over 14. In the case of a positive antigen test, travelers will be required to isolate for 10 days free of charge in government medical centers in Quito or Guayaquil.
- Health officials will also check travelers' COVID-19-related symptoms and carry out antigen tests, if necessary. If these tests are positive, travelers need to quarantine as above.

The rules regarding entry to the Galapagos Islands for Metropolitan Touring guests remain the same and are as follows:

- A certificate of a negative PCR test taken within 96 hours of their Galapagos flight for travelers **over 12 years old**. (Please note that our company policy is 12 years of age while the Galapagos authorities' requirement is 18). This can be the same international certificate used to enter the country, or one from an authorized Ecuadorian laboratory.
- Travel insurance certificate with medical coverage.
- A safe passage (*salvoconducto*) document, issued at least 24 hours before by the tour operator or hotel.
- The Galapagos Transit Control Card, filled out online before the flight.

Your Destination Expert will be pleased to help you with any doubts you may have about the regulations and/or these changes. Don't hesitate to get in touch with them.

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