

PRESS RELEASE 010

## **GALAPAGOS NEW ENTRY REQUIREMENTS STARTING JULY 1<sup>st</sup>**

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**(Quito, Pichincha).**- The National Emergency Operations Committee (COE) through its resolution of June 10th, 2021, informed that the Health Ministry, the Foreign Affairs & Human Mobility Ministry, Tourism Ministry, and the Government's Galapagos Special Council must issue the "Entry Guidelines by Airway to the Country and the Galapagos Archipelago." **This provision must be put in place by 23:59hrs on June 30th, 2021.**

The guidelines will establish that travelers may submit any of the following requirements to enter continental Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands:

- a) A negative RT-PCR or antigen test, for Covid-19 detection, with a maximum validity of 72 hours prior to the trip, from sample collection day. This will not apply to children under two (2) years of age.
- b) Presenting a Covid-19 vaccination certificate or its equivalent, with complete immunization, issued at least 14 days prior to the flight.

### **Entry to Galapagos**

In addition to complying with the two requirements, they must also present a traffic control card issued by the Galapagos Government Council. As of July, the tour operator or accommodation safe-passes, which used to be regulated by the Ministry of Tourism, will be eliminated; with the exception of the tour leader safe-pass established in the Tourist Guidance Regulations for the Government's Galapagos Special Council.

### **Travelers from Brazil**

Travelers arriving from Brazil, require a negative RT-PCR or antigen test result, with a maximum validity of 72 hours prior to their arrival to Ecuador. In addition, they must comply with a ten (10) day isolation period either at a residence, or at their choice of accommodation, covering their own expenses. The isolation period will not apply to those arriving from Brazil but presenting a Covid-19 vaccination certificate, with the same requirements mentioned in the above guidelines.

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