

Destination Updates as on 1 October 2021

SRI LANKA

Fully vaccinated tourists and business travellers will now be allowed to enter Sri Lanka without any RT-PCR test on arrival provided they have a negative RT-PCR test taken within 72 hours prior to departure.

However, children of fully vaccinated travellers between the ages of 12 - 18 will require a PCR test on the day of arrival at the dedicated PCR laboratory at the Bandaranaike International Airport in Katunayake (soon to resume) or at the Level 1 hotel.

For non-vaccinated or partially vaccinated travellers arriving in Sri Lanka, the on-arrival PCR testing will be conducted at the time of check-in at the Level 1 hotel and then they can continue travelling within the bio-bubble. To know the detailed requirements, you can click here.

The country has also launched an online travel portal <u>visitsrilanka.gov.lk</u>. Travellers can now use this portal to pay for their PCR tests and travel insurance directly, and receive their unique Travel Reference Number (TRN) that they will require at the time of applying for visa online.

Travellers will need to include this unique TRN in the visa form in "Contact Details" under the section "Address in Sri Lanka". This space will now include space to fill in

- a) Safe & Secure Hotel Address
- b) Unique Traveller Registration Number issued

The Department of Immigrations and Emigrations will evaluate these details to grant tourism visa to the applicants.

For latest statistics on new reported cases and vaccination status, Please click here.

