New COVID Test Requirement for Travelers From China, Hong Kong, or Macau

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On December 28, 2022, CDC announced [1] that starting at 12:01 AM ET on January 5, it will implement a requirement for a negative COVID-19 test from all air passengers boarding flights to the United States originating from the People’s Republic of China (PRC) and the Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong or Macau, as well as those passengers transiting through Seoul, Toronto, and Vancouver, and who have been in China, Hong Kong, or Macau in the past 10 days.

All air passengers two years and older originating from the PRC will be required to get a COVID-19 test (such as a PCR test or an antigen self-test [2] administered and monitored by a telehealth service or a licensed provider and authorized by the Food and Drug Administration or the relevant national authority) no more than 2 days before their departure from the PRC, Hong Kong, or Macau, and show a negative test result to the airline upon departure. The requirement applies to these air passengers regardless of nationality and vaccination status.

- This will also apply to persons traveling from the PRC via third country transit and to passengers connecting through the United States onward to further destinations.
- Along with applying this requirement to direct flights from the PRC, passengers transiting Incheon International Airport, Toronto Pearson International Airport, and Vancouver International Airport on their way to the United States will be required to provide a negative COVID-19 test if they have been in the PRC in the last 10 days no more than 2 days before their departure to the United States.
- Passengers who tested positive more than 10 days before the flight can provide documentation of recovery from COVID-19 in lieu of a negative test result.
- Airlines must confirm the negative COVID-19 test result or documentation of recovery for all passengers before they board or deny boarding to the passenger.

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OISS adviser [3] if your arrival or return to Yale will be impacted due to this new requirement or if you have any questions or concerns. Please note that OISS and all Yale offices will resume work on Tuesday, January 3, 2022.

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