

Health



Americas Tactical (REVISED): Authorities modify domestic restrictions as COVID-19 cases continue to be recorded regionwide on July 6; remain cognizant of authorities' updates

Please be advised

- In **Argentina**, aviation authorities have stated that bringing back all citizens following the recently enacted cap of 600 airborne passengers per day may take up to five months. The government has also restricted the arrival and departure of international daily flights at Buenos Aires' Ezeiza Airport (EZE) to two per day.
- In **Bolivia**, the government canceled a contract to purchase AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccines produced in India due to the failure in delivering doses, as per July 5 reports.
- In Brazil, the federal government extended the payment of emergency aid until October due to the prevailing concern of the COVID-19 pandemic, as per July 5 reports. Health officials in the Federal District announced that people who were administered the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine in another state of the country can receive the second dose in the capital region.
- In **Canada**, people in the age group of 12-17 years in **Ontario** can now book appointments for the second dose of their COVID-19 vaccine as of July 5 in a bid to inoculate minors before school resumes in September. In **Quebec**, people can receive their second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine as early as four weeks after the first dose, starting from July 6.
- In **Ecuador**, authorities in **Quito** have restricted vehicular traffic from July 5 to July 9 under the 'Hoy no circula' plan. Restrictions can be found <u>here</u>.
- In **Honduras**, reports indicate that hospitals across the nation are close to saturation levels with ICU beds and other medical supplies currently at full capacity due to the recent surge in COVID-19 infections, as per July 5 reports.
- In **Mexico**, authorities have maintained the current domestic restrictions related to the COVID-19 outbreak until at least July 18. Restrictions under the nation's four-tiered 'traffic light' system can be found <u>here</u>. In **Jalisco**, vaccinations against COVID-19 for people in the age group of 30-39 years in 53 municipalities will begin on July 6.
- In **Suriname**, authorities have extended the nationwide nighttime curfew during the hours of 18:00-06:00 until further notice. The stay-at-home order and closure of businesses have been lifted as of July 6.
- In **Trinidad and Tobago**, unvaccinated foreign nationals will not be allowed to enter the country, effective from July 17.
- In _, authorities have imposed flexible quarantine measures as part of the nation's '7+7 scheme' for the week of July 5-11.

Recommendations

- 1. Those operating or residing in the Americas on July 6 and the coming days are advised to remain cognizant of authorities' instructions regarding quarantines and health procedures.
- 2. Those intending to travel within the region are advised to reconfirm their itineraries with the airline or service provider.
- 3. Maintain vigilance for possible localized unrest due to panic buying of goods.
- 4. Take precautions and familiarize yourself with the symptoms and ways to reduce the chances of contracting COVID-19.