

## Travel tips to China

In light of the evolving coronavirus (COVID-19) situation, China will resume visa issuance & lift some travel restrictions starting from 8 January 2023. Details are outlined in the below table:

Visa issue
<p>According to the latest notice from the National Immigration Administration, passport, visa issuance and other facilitation measures will be implemented from 8 January, 2023. Details are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Resume the acceptance and examination of foreigners' applications for the extension, renewal and re-issuance of ordinary visa, the issuance, renewal and re-issuance of stay permit, and the issuance, extension, renewal and re-issuance of residence permit.</b> In case of urgent needs, expedited procedures may be applied for.</li> <li><b>Resume the issuance of port visa, the implementation of the 24/72/144-hour visa-free transit policy, and the issuance of temporary entry permit in accordance with the law.</b></li> </ol> <p><i>Source: website of National Immigration Administration of China <a href="https://en.nia.gov.cn/n162/n232/c107304/content.html">https://en.nia.gov.cn/n162/n232/c107304/content.html</a></i></p>
Travel measures
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Inbound travelers to China are advised to take a PCR test within 48 hours before their departure.</b> People with a positive test result are advised to postpone their travels until they test negative. There is no need for travelers to apply for a health code from Chinese diplomatic and consular missions. They will declare their health status on the customs card.</li> <li><b>Nucleic acid tests for international arrivals will be cancelled starting from 8 January 2023.</b></li> <li>Those with an abnormal health status declaration or fever symptoms will receive an antigen test at customs. They will be advised to self-isolate at home until recovery or be treated in hospital, depending on their health conditions.</li> </ol> <p><i>* As measures may change at short notice, please check with your local travel agent or flight carrier for updated information before departure.</i></p> <p><i>Source: website of the State Council of the People's Republic of China <a href="http://english.www.gov.cn/statecouncil/ministries/202212/27/content_WS63aa980fc6d0a757729e4d35.html">http://english.www.gov.cn/statecouncil/ministries/202212/27/content_WS63aa980fc6d0a757729e4d35.html</a></i></p>
Flight information
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Adjustment and control measures will no longer be implemented on international passenger flights, and both Chinese and foreign airlines could resume their scheduled passenger flights</b> as per the arrangements prescribed in the framework of bilateral Air Service Agreements.</li> <li>Gradually resume accepting applications for international passenger charter flights from domestic and foreign airlines, and fully restore pre-pandemic processes and requirements in the summer and autumn of 2023.</li> <li><b>The service procedures for inbound flights at each airport shall be optimized to improve operational efficiency,</b> and the prevention and control requirements to personnel, space and facilities will be lifted, so as <b>to fully release the supporting resources and enhance the accommodating capability to receive international flights.</b></li> <li><b>Flights will no longer be classified by the level of risks, and passenger load factor (PLF) restrictions of no higher than 75% for inbound flights will be lifted.</b></li> </ol> <p><i>Source: website of Civil Aviation Administration of China <a href="http://www.caac.gov.cn/en/XWZX/202212/t20221229_216739.html">http://www.caac.gov.cn/en/XWZX/202212/t20221229_216739.html</a></i></p>

As these measures may change at short notice, the information in the table should be used as a guideline only. We will continue to closely monitor the latest developments and update this information.