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### South African Bone Marrow Registry Update: 28 October 2020

As mentioned in the previous update dated 18 September, South Africa's borders opened for inbound and outbound international flights from 01 October 2020.

South Africa has developed a risk categorisation model for different international travellers. This model classifies international travellers according to a scale of high, medium and low risk. High risk travellers are those who come from countries with higher numbers of COVID-19 infections and reported deaths compared to South Africa. Medium risk travellers are from countries with relatively equal number of infections and death toll to South Africa and low risk travellers originate from countries with lesser number of infections of COVID-19 and death toll than South Africa.

Travellers from medium and low risk countries can enter South Africa for both business and leisure on condition a negative coronavirus test result, less than 72 hours old, is available. If they do not have the test result, they will remain in mandatory quarantine at their own cost. Everyone arriving will be screened, and those who show any symptoms of COVID-19 will also be required to stay in quarantine until they test negative for the virus again. Travellers will be asked to install the South African Government's contact alert app.

Business travellers from high risk countries with scarce and critical skills including diplomats, repatriated persons, investors and people participating in professional sporting and, events will have to apply for exemption to enter South Africa an email can be sent to [Covid19BusinessTravel@dha.gov.za](mailto:Covid19BusinessTravel@dha.gov.za) supported by:

- A copy of passport and/or temporary residence visa;
- Proof of business activities to be undertaken in the Republic;
- Proof of travel itinerary; and
- Proof of address or accommodation in the Republic.

Leisure travellers from high risk countries will not be permitted entry.

To view the list of high risk countries please go to IATA's travel centre website and click on South Africa <https://www.iatatravelcentre.com/world.php> this list will be updated every two weeks.

For more frequently asked questions about the re-opening of South Africa's borders for international travellers please follow this link [http://www.dirco.gov.za/docs/2020/corona\\_virus0930.htm](http://www.dirco.gov.za/docs/2020/corona_virus0930.htm)

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