

Changes to requirements for international arrivals

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The decision to amend the Biosecurity Act 2015 to remove these requirements was based on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer.

Travellers must still comply with any remaining COVID-19 requirements of airlines and shipping operators, as well as other countries and states and territories.

This currently includes wearing masks on inbound international flights. State and territory orders mandating masks on domestic flights also remain in place.

Quotes attributable to Minister Butler:

“The Australian Government makes decisions on COVID related issues after considering the latest medical advice.

“The Chief Medical Officer has advised it is no longer necessary for travellers to declare their vaccine status as part of our management of COVID.

“Unvaccinated Australians, as well as certain groups of visa holders, have been able to travel to Australia for some time.

“We will continue to act on the medical advice as needed.”