PUBLIC NOTICE ON YELLOW FEVER PREVENTION

Rwanda Ministry of Health informs the general public (Rwanda and residents) and international travellers visiting Rwanda the following measures regarding the prevention of Yellow Fever.

1. All residents travelling to Yellow Fever endemic countries should be vaccinated 10 days before travelling.

2. To enter in Rwanda, a Yellow Fever vaccination certificate is not required to travelers (Residents/Non-Residents) coming from Yellow Fever non-endemic countries and without an active transmission outbreak of Yellow Fever. They can follow their countries requirements.

3. To enter in Rwanda, Yellow Fever vaccination certificate is mandatory to travelers (Residents/Non-Residents) coming from Yellow Fever endemic countries and any country with active Yellow Fever transmission outbreak.

4. For travelers (Resident/Non-Resident) coming from an active Yellow Fever transmission outbreak country or have recently visited (within 24 days) an active Yellow Fever transmission outbreak country, the following instructions will be applied:

I. Entry will be allowed to a traveler (Resident/Non- Resident) who at arrival presents:
   • A valid Yellow Fever vaccination certificate AND
   • Without fever (less than 38.5 °C) AND
   • Consents to self-report for any symptoms for 6 days.

II. A traveler (Resident/Non-Resident) who has fever (≥38.5 °C) on arrival will be allowed to enter in Rwanda if he/she consents for isolation and further investigation of Yellow Fever.
III. A traveler (Resident/Non-Resident) with invalid Yellow Fever vaccination certificate (less than 10 days after vaccination) will be quarantined until the certificate becomes valid.

IV. A traveler (Resident/Non-Resident) coming from country with active Yellow Fever transmission or known endemic country without Yellow Fever vaccination certificate will be vaccinated upon entry.

V. No entry will be allowed to a traveler (Resident/ Non-Resident) who does not consent for preventive measures described in points 1 to 4.

VI. The cost related to quarantine and vaccination will be covered by the traveler.

For more details about countries with risk of Yellow Fever Virus Transmission, please visit www.rbc.gov.rw

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