As part of Government measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the following is mandatory upon entry into Rwanda, effective 27th January 2022:

a. All travelers arriving in Rwanda must have a negative Covid-19 certificate. The only accepted test is a SARS-CoV 2 Real Time Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) performed within 72 hours prior to departure (meaning travelers must be tested and get results within 3 days of their first flight). Other tests, such as Rapid Diagnostics Tests (RDTs), are not accepted. **COVID-19 Test is not mandatory for accompanied children under 5 years.** Incoming travelers eligible (aged 12 years and above) for Covid-19 vaccine are encouraged to be fully vaccinated before their travel.

b. Covid-19 PCR and Antigen Rapid Tests will be taken upon arrival and an additional mandatory Rapid test performed on day 3 at own cost, from the arrival date, at a designated testing sites (Camp Kigali or nearest Provincial or District Hospitals for those out of the City of Kigali). Travelers will do self-isolation until they get negative PCR test results taken on arrival within 24 hours.

c. At the airport, the payment for Covid-19 tests taken on arrival in addition to a mandatory Rapid test taken on Day 3 of 67,200 Frw or 70 USD (60USD for covid-19 tests and 10USD for specific logistics to the airport) will be done as per the indications of the passenger locator form. For passengers who opt for a cash payment at arrival, the balance will be given in Local currency (FRW). The passenger who wouldn’t use the payment methods on the passenger locator form may be required to pay again at arrival and claim for refund for any previous payment made.

d. In order to facilitate Rwandan citizens to test regularly for Covid-19 and to know their status, including Rwandans returning home for end of year holidays, the Government of Rwanda will subsidize the cost of Covid-19 tests whereby for the mandatory Covid-19 tests taken on arrival in addition to a mandatory Rapid test taken on Day 3, Rwandan citizens will pay Rwf 50,000 or 50 USD (40USD for covid-19 tests and 10USD for specific logistics to the airport) instead of current cost.

e. All arriving travelers must pay the costs of mandatory RT-PCR and Rapid tests of arrival and of Day 3 at Kigali International Airport but Rapid test for day 3 will be conducted at the designated testing sites.
f. All travelers arriving or transiting in Rwanda must complete the passenger locator form and upload the Covid-19 PCR test certificate before heading to the airport. Please see passenger locator form and list of designated transit hotels on [www.rbc.gov.rw](http://www.rbc.gov.rw).

g. All travelers transiting for more than 12 hours through Rwanda will be screened upon entry and take a RT-PCR and rapid tests at own cost on arrival at own cost while transiting/connecting travelers who are not leaving the airport for less than 12 hours will be screened upon entry and not required to take a second test. **(This is not applicable for transiting passengers by land border, in that case, passengers will be tested using PCR and rapid tests on arrival)**, PCR results will be fast tracked accordingly.

### SELF-ISOLATION

Once self-isolated at home, the process is as following:

1. Test results for PCR taken on arrival will be checked on RBC website of covid-19 results portal by using phone number entered while filling Passenger Locator Form and Unique code received when submitted Passenger Locator Form prior to departures or by SMS and/or email, and the turnaround time for results is 24hrs from the time a sample is collected. If the results are not out and you are beyond 24 hours, please contact RBC Medical Team On Duty at Airport 24/7: (+250) 781415724 for help.

2. If a traveler’s test result is positive for COVID-19 (even if asymptomatic) while in Rwanda, they will be treated as indicated in the National Covid-19 Management Guidelines until they have fully recovered, **at their own cost**. We encourage all travelers to have international travel insurance.

### DEPARTURE:

a. All travelers departing from Rwanda must test negative for COVID-19. The only accepted test is a SARS-CoV 2 Real Time Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) performed within **72 hours before departure**. The PCR test must be performed by the Rwanda Biomedical Center/National Reference Laboratory, Provincial or District Hospitals. Other tests, such as Rapid Diagnostics Tests (RDTs), are not accepted. **COVID-19 Test is not mandatory for accompanied children under 5 years**. We encourage travelers to book and pay for their tests at least 2 days prior to departure through the online platform available on [www.rbc.gov.rw](http://www.rbc.gov.rw). Travelers are advised to check with airlines about the COVID-19 requirements of the final destination and/or transit countries. **All Rwandans travelers eligible (aged 12 years and above) for Covid-19 vaccine departing from Rwanda must be fully vaccinated.**

b. Travelers are not allowed to go to the airport without negative COVID-19 PCR test results, if the results are not yet out within 48 hours as mentioned above, please contact BIOS LAB HELP DESK on (+250) 787243836 or (+250) 787793446 or (+250) 784026239.
i. If travelers test results are positive for COVID-19 (even if asymptomatic) while in Rwanda, they will be treated as indicated in the National Covid-19 Management Guidelines until they have fully recovered, at their own cost. We encourage all travelers to have international travel insurance.

ii. Travelers who test positive and undertake 10 days of isolation but remain positive on PCR with CT values above 37, negative rapid diagnostic test and without any Covid-19 symptoms will be given a recovery certificate which may be used for travel out of Rwanda provided their transiting and final destination countries allow it.

**REMINDER**

The preventive measures announced by the Ministry of Health must be observed by all, especially frequent hand-washing, proper wearing of face masks in public, and maintaining safe physical distance from others (at least one meter apart). For more details about COVID-19 clinical management guidelines, please visit [www.rbc.gov.rw](http://www.rbc.gov.rw).

**EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION**

- Toll free number: 114
- RBC Medical Team on Duty at Airport 24/7: (+250) 781 415 724
- Email: covid@rbc.gov.rw

Once again, we thank you for your cooperation in the fight against COVID-19.