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### Ministerial Instruction Yellow Fever Prevention

Rwanda Ministry of Health informs the general public (Rwandans 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, Yellow Fever vaccination certificate **is not required** for travellers (Residents/Non-Residents) coming from Yellow Fever non-endemic countries and without an active transmission outbreak of Yellow Fever.
3. To enter in Rwanda, Yellow Fever vaccination certificate **is mandatory** for travellers (Residents/Non-Residents) coming from Yellow Fever endemic countries and any country with active Yellow Fever transmission outbreak.
4. For traveller (Resident/Non-Resident) coming from an active Yellow Fever transmission outbreak country or a traveller who has recently visited (within 6 days) an active Yellow Fever transmission outbreak country. The following instructions will be applied:
  - I. Entry **will be allowed** to a traveller (Resident/Non-Resident) who at arrival presents:
    - A **valid** Yellow Fever vaccination certificate (vaccinated 10 days before travelling) AND
    - Without fever (less than 38.5 ° C) AND
    - Consents to self-report for any symptoms for 6 days.

- II. Traveller (Resident/Non-Resident) who has fever ( $\geq 38.5$  ° C) on arrival **will be allowed** to enter in Rwanda **if** he/she consents for isolation and further investigation of Yellow Fever.
- III. Traveller (Resident/Non-Resident) with **invalid** Yellow Fever vaccination certificate (**less than 10 days after vaccination**) will be quarantined until the certificate becomes valid.
- IV. Traveller (Resident/Non-Resident) coming from country with active Yellow Fever transmission or known endemic country without Yellow Fever vaccination certificate will be vaccinated at entry (at own cost equivalent to 40 USD).
- V. **No entry will be allowed** to traveller (Resident/ Non-Resident) who does not consent to preventive measures described in points 1 to 4.
- VI. The **cost** related to quarantine and vaccination **will be borne/covered by the traveller.**

**Countries with risk of yellow fever transmission and countries requiring yellow fever vaccination:**

**Africa Region:** Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroun, Central Africa Republic, Chad, Republic of Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Kenya, Liberia, Mauritania, Niger, Mali, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Soudan, Sudan, Togo, Uganda.

**Central and South America:** Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Ecuador, French Guiana, Guyana, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Venezuela.

**Countries with low potential risk of Yellow Fever Transmission:** Eritrea, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Somalia, Tanzania, Zambia

  
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