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TAT Update: Thailand Civil Aviation Authority upgraded COVID-19 control measures for travellers

Bangkok, 20 March 2020, at 10.00 Hrs. – The Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) would like to provide the latest update that the Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand (CAAT) has upgraded its notification on the practical guidelines for airlines operating international flights to Thailand in its intensified effort to support Thailand's nationwide surveillance measures to combat the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

Issued on 19 March 2020, effective from Sunday, 22 March 2020, at 00.00 Hrs. Thailand local time onwards, the CAAT's upgraded guidelines now require all airlines to check the required documentation from foreign travellers regardless of their flight origins.

Upon flight check-in, all foreign travellers must present a health certificate issued no more than 72 hours prior to the date of travel certifying that they pose no risk of being infected by the COVID-19. Each traveller must also present a health insurance policy with a minimum medical coverage of US\$ 100,000 in Thailand of COVID-19.

Airlines are instructed not to issue a boarding pass for any foreign traveller failing to submit the required documentation. Failing to comply with the CAAT's guidelines, airlines will be held responsible for all expenses incurred if any of its passengers are found to be infected with COVID-19.

The CAAT's upgraded guidelines also cover screening for Thai travellers, Form T 8 and AOT Airports Application, protective measures on board the aircraft, disinfection or cleaning of aircrafts, and other relevant measures.

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