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## **Sangster International Airport Remains Operational Amidst Updated National Measures on COVID-19**

**Montego Bay, Jamaica, 21 August 2021**

Following the announcement of updated measures related to COVID-19 including no movement days by the Prime Minister the Most Honourable Andrew Holness on August 19 2021, this is to advise that the Sangster International Airport remains open for normal operations.

All airlines and other support services will have adequate staff as normal and passengers can expect the customary level of service.

Persons transporting passengers to the airport are advised during the restriction to have with them a copy of the flight details of the person they will be meeting or taking to the airport in the event they are stopped by authorities.

The COVID testing facility at the airport will also be opened.

### **About MBJ Airports:**

MBJ Airports Limited, operator of Sangster International Airport, connects Jamaica to more than 60 international destinations. A record of 4.7m passengers used the airport in 2019. MBJ operates SIA under a 30-year concession awarded in 2003 and the airport provides employment to more than 7,500 persons. SIA has been named the Caribbean's Leading Airport by World Travel Awards for 13 years as well as Conde Nast Traveler Readers' Choice Awards 2020 – Top 5 Best Airports in the World.

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# DASHBOARD ON NATIONAL MEASURES

Updated National Measures on COVID-19 Under the Disaster Risk Management Act: **August 19, 2021**



<b>NO MOVEMENT DAYS (New)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sunday 22nd to Tuesday 24th, August, 2021</b></li> <li>• <b>Sunday 29th to Tuesday 31st, August, 2021</b></li> <li>• <b>Sunday, 5th of September, 2021</b></li> </ul>
<b>Revised National Curfew Hours</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Friday, August 20, 2021: 9p.m. to 5 a.m.</b></li> <li>• <b>Saturday, August 21, 2021: 8p.m. to 5a.m.</b></li> <li>• <b>SUNDAYS to TUESDAYS: No Movement, except essential services</b></li> <li>• <b>Wed. 25th to Sat. 28th Aug., 2021: 7p.m. to 5a.m.</b></li> <li>• <b>Wed. 1st to Sat. 4th Sept., 2021: 7p.m. to 5a.m.</b></li> </ul> <p><i>NOTE: The <b>closing hours</b> for business establishments on Fridays and Saturdays preceding 'No Movement Days' should be <b>12 noon</b>. Early closure mandate on these days, excludes essential services, including the courts, establishments providing security, financial, transportation and health services, the National Water Commission, Jamaica Public Service, oil refining and related services, civil aviation, food, loading and unloading of ships, docks, warehousing, Tax Administration Jamaica, Jamaica Customs Agency, Passport Immigration and Citizenship Agency, Jamaica Printing Service, Business Processing Outsourcing sector, funeral homes, etc.</i></p>
<b>Access to Vaccination during No Movement Days</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Citizens (children, parents and teachers in particular) are allowed to move to and from vaccination sites with the relevant proof of this service being in their possession (i.e.ID's, letters, evidence of appointment and vaccination cards, as the case may be).</li> </ul>
<b>Churches/ Worship Services (Revised)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>No services allowed on No Movement Day - Sunday August 22, 2021</b></li> <li>• <b>On No Movement Days - (Sundays, August 29 &amp; September 05, 2021):</b> the maximum number of persons to be physically present at worship services will be a <b>maximum 20 persons</b> for the purposes of facilitating the streaming of services. The previously used forms (in the DRMA) will be required for persons approved by church leaders to move to and from places of worship on these days.</li> </ul>
<b>Weddings (Excluding No Movement Days)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The limit on the number of persons permitted at a marriage ceremony is now <b>20 persons</b>, including officiant, until September 07, 2021.</li> </ul>
<b>Funerals and Burials (Revised)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>No funerals services will be allowed between August 25 to September 07, 2021.</b></li> <li>• <b>Burials</b> are allowed on days outside of No Movement Days, the maximum number of persons who may be present at the graveside remains at <b>15 persons</b>. This includes mourners as well as officiating clergy, gravediggers and undertakers. Burials will be allowed <b>Mondays to Fridays between 9a.m. and 4p.m. for a maximum of 30 minutes.</b></li> </ul>





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<p><b>Work From Home (Revised)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The existing work from home directive in the public sector is being extended until <b>September 07, 2021</b>. Only persons who work in critical service delivery &amp; perform job functions that require them to be at the physical location should be required to be at the office.</li> <li><b>Private Sector Employers</b> are encouraged to allow all persons who can work from home to do so.</li> <li><b>Essential Services Workers</b> are allowed to move to and from work BUT must carry their work identification, and only travel if necessary.</li> </ul>
<p><b>AGMs/EGMs (Revised)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>AGMs or EGMs</b> of companies and general or special meetings of co-operative societies, friendly societies or industrial or provident societies may be held outside of No Movement Days, with a <b>maximum of 20 persons</b> present, including technical support personnel. The observation of the other related mask wearing, physical distancing protocols, <b>until September 07, 2021</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Gathering Limits:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gathering Limit remains at <b>10 persons</b> for any group of persons.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Controlled Entry/ Re-entry Protocols: (Extended)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The existing protocols including the requirement for all travelers to present a negative COVID test conducted within three days of travel will continue to be in effect until <b>September 07, 2021</b>.</li> <li><b>Travellers who are not fully vaccinated</b> are required to observe <b>14 days quarantine upon arrival</b>, regardless of the COVID-19 result being negative.</li> <li><b>Fully Vaccinated travellers</b> are required to do <b>eight days self-quarantine</b>, upon arrival. If they conduct and present a <b>negative PCR Test (at their own expense, on arrival)</b>, the quarantine requirement would be waived.</li> <li>The <b>ban on direct flights</b> from South America - (<i>inc. Trinidad and Tobago, Argentina, Brazil, Columbia, Chile, Paraguay and Peru</i>) as well as India will be in extended until <b>September 07, 2021</b>.</li> <li><b>Specific arrangements for university students</b> who are arriving from Trinidad and Tobago are being explored and will be announced at a later date.</li> </ul>

