



COVID-19 CIRCULAR NO 7 OF 2021

The Department of International Relations and Cooperation of the Republic of South Africa presents its compliments to Diplomatic Missions and International Organisations accredited to the Republic of South Africa and has the honour to refer to COVID-19 Circular No 6 of 2021 dated 15 September 2021 regarding samples of the officially recognised South African COVID-19 Vaccination Cards.

The Department wishes to inform Foreign Missions of the Digital COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate, and further attaches the Guidelines and a sample of the Digital COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate.

A person that has received a COVID-19 Vaccine in South Africa has had access to the Digital COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate since its release on 9 October 2021.

The next version of the Digital Vaccination Certificate will be released at the end of November 2021, wherein the Public and Private key infrastructure linked to the digital Cryptographic Signature of the QR Code will be made available. This will allow countries to verify the authenticity and validity of the Vaccination Certificate of South Africa.

Relevant authorities in all countries are requested to recognise the Digital Vaccination Certificate as well as the Vaccination Card, together with the SMS that was sent to individuals post vaccination and which includes their Vaccination Code as proof of vaccination for purposes of international travel.

The Department of International Relations and Cooperation of the Republic of South Africa avails itself of this opportunity to renew to Diplomatic Missions and International

Organisations accredited to the Republic of South Africa the assurances of its highest consideration.



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