



MINISTRY OF HEALTH

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH & PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

Health Advisory for Delegates Attending the Our Ocean Conference, Mombasa, Kenya - June 2026

The Ministry of Health, Kenya, welcomes all delegates attending the **Eleventh Our Ocean Conference** in Mombasa. The wellbeing of all delegates remains a priority. Delegates travelling to Kenya are encouraged to review current travel health guidance from their home country of origin and ensure they are appropriately prepared before departure.

This advisory provides important public health information to help ensure a safe and healthy stay during your visit.

Pre-Travel Health Protection Considerations

Delegates are advised to:

- Ensure they provide valid proof of yellow fever vaccination if they are attending from countries with risk of yellow fever transmission. Vaccination must be undertaken at least 10 days prior to arrival in Kenya and is valid for life.

**the list of yellow fever endemic countries is provided in Annex 1 below*

- Take note that Kenya is classified as being at risk of yellow fever transmission and are all encouraged to undertake vaccination for yellow fever
- Consider routine vaccination depending on individual risk factors
- Carry an adequate supply of prescription medications in their original packaging
- Obtain comprehensive travel and medical insurance that includes emergency medical care, medical evacuation and coverage for unexpected travel disruptions
- Pack alcohol-based hand sanitizer, insect repellent and sunscreen
- Carry copies of important medical information and emergency contacts
- Immediately report any illness, discomfort or symptoms of fever, respiratory illness, or other communicable conditions to the medical personnel at the venue
- Observe standard public health precautions and monitor official travel advisories issued by their home country and Kenyan health authorities prior to travel.

Ebola Virus Disease Advisory

Current Status

There is an ongoing Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo and the Republic of Uganda. EVD is a severe viral illness transmitted through direct contact with the blood, body fluids, tissues, or contaminated materials of an infected person or animal.

Kenya has not reported any case of EVD. The country is in a state of readiness considering our proximity and interconnectivity with the affected countries. Surveillance measures have been enhanced at our airports and other points of entry.

EVD Surveillance

Delegates attending the Conference are expected to adhere to the following:

1. Temperature screening for identification of persons presenting with fever $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$
2. Delegates originating from or transiting through DRC, Uganda or any other country reporting the outbreak shall truthfully complete the Electronic Traveler Surveillance Form before arrival into Kenya using the QR Code attached in Annex 2
3. All delegates shall observe routine hand hygiene practices including regular handwashing and use of alcohol-based sanitizers upon arrival at the POE and during their stay in Kenya
4. Any delegate reporting EVD signs and symptoms – including sudden fever; severe headache; muscle and joint pain; weakness and fatigue; sore throat; vomiting; diarrhoea; abdominal pain; unexplained bleeding or bruising - shall immediately notify the medical team stationed at the Conference facility

Health Care Provision During Our Ocean Conference

Two medical clinics shall be established and accessible to all the delegates, including one for VIPs. Provisions have also been made to cater for delegates with special needs. Both clinics will have adequate Human Resources for Health (HRH), stocks of pharmaceutical and non-pharmaceutical supplies for all the conditions and diseases likely to be picked during the assessment and examination of delegates.

Health teams will be situated in proximity to the conference rooms during sessions for quick response to emergency cases. Standby ambulances shall be available to refer delegates who require further medical attention to select hospitals including Coast General Hospital, Mombasa Hospital, Aga Khan Hospital, Premier Hospital, among others.

Regular public health updates shall be provided to the delegates during the Conference. Further health information and advisory can be sought from the national and county leadership indicated in Annex 3 below.

The Ministry of Health, Kenya, wishes all delegates a productive conference and a safe stay in Mombasa.

Annex 1: List of countries from which proof of yellow fever vaccination is a pre-entry requirement for entry into Kenya

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| 1. Angola | 14. Democratic | 27. Mauritania |
| 2. Argentina | Republic of | 28. Niger |
| 3. Benin | Congo | 29. Nigeria |
| 4. Bolivia | 15. Ecuador | 30. Panama |
| 5. Brazil | 16. Equatorial | 31. Paraguay |
| 6. Burkina Faso | Guinea | 32. Peru |
| 7. Burundi | 17. Ethiopia | 33. Senegal |
| 8. Cameroon | 18. French Guiana | 34. Sierra Leone |
| 9. Central African | 19. Gabon | 35. South Sudan |
| Republic | 20. Gambia | 36. Sudan |
| 10. Chad | 21. Ghana | 37. Suriname |
| 11. Colombia | 22. Guinea | 38. Togo |
| 12. Congo | 23. Guinea-Bissau | 39. Trinidad and |
| 13. Ivory Coast | 24. Guyana | Tobago |
| | 25. Liberia | 40. Uganda |
| | 26. Mali | 41. Venezuela |

Annex 2: Electronic Traveler Health Surveillance Form



Annex 3: National and County Health Focal Persons

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