

Press Release

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Residents of Macao and the Republic of Korea can use each other's automated immigration clearance system

The Public Security Police Force, the Public Security Forces Affairs Bureau and the Identification Services Bureau have been maintaining close communication and cooperation with the Government of the Republic of Korea on studying the technical requirements of using each other's automated immigration clearance system, preparing for residents of the two places to use the automated immigration clearance system on a mutual basis for immigration clearance.

Starting from 28 December 2016, Macao Special Administrative Region electronic passport holders can use the automated immigration clearance system of the Republic of Korea, which will expedite the process of immigration clearance for Macao residents. To be in line with the immigration facilitation that the Republic of Korea granted to the Macao residents, with effect on the same day, holders of the passport of the Republic of Korea can also use Macao's automated immigration clearance system after successful enrollment. The enrollment is on a voluntary basis and is free of charge. For more information, please visit the website of the Identification Services Bureau (www.dsi.gov.mo/download/ep_autogate_e.pdf).

Eligibility and formality for Macao residents to enter and exit the Republic of Korea with the Smart Entry Service (SES) of the Republic of Korea

Macao residents aged 17 or above holding a valid Macao SAR electronic passport and have no adverse record in the Republic of Korea can register directly at the enrollment centers in the Republic of Korea. After successful enrollment, the

registrant can use SES to enter and exit the Republic of Korea.

The enrollment centers are located in the Republic of Korea. In total, there are 16 locations for registration including Incheon International Airport and Jeju International Airport. Eligible applicants can register at the enrollment center after entering the Republic of Korea through traditional counters. At the time of enrollment, eligible applicants have to provide their Macao Special Administrative Region electronic passports with its validity not less than 30 days from the date of enrollment. After successful enrollment, a sticker will be affixed to the visa page of the passport for identification. Moreover, successful registrants should note that they must conduct the enrollment again after renewing their passport. When using SES, the passport holders have to scan their passports and conduct fingerprint verification as instructed by the automated clearance system. They can enter the Republic of Korea after successful verification of their identity.

For details about the formalities and locations of registration for using the automated clearance system of the Republic of Korea, please visit the website of the Government of the Republic of Korea (www.ses.go.kr).





Macao residents can use the Smart Entry Service (SES) of the Republic of Korea

Eligibility and formality for Korean travellers to enter and exit Macao with Automated Passenger Clearance (APC) System

Korean citizens aged 11 or above holding a valid passport of the Republic of Korea with its validity not less than 30 days from the date of enrollment and have no adverse record in the Macao SAR can register for using the APC system of Macao.

Eligible applicants are required to register in person at the Macao Outer Harbour Ferry Terminal Checkpoint (located in the area before going through the immigration), the Taipa Ferry Terminal Checkpoint (located in the area before going through the immigration), the Macao International Airport Checkpoint (located in the area before going through the immigration), the Border Gate Checkpoint (located in the area after going through the immigration) or the Immigration Department Office Building at Pac On. After successful enrollment, the registrants can use the APC system at the Border Gate, the Macao Outer Harbour Ferry Terminal, the Taipa Ferry Terminal, the Macao International Airport and the Cotai Border Checkpoint to enter or exit Macao with their enrolled passport. Moreover, successful registrants should note that they must re-enroll for using the APC system after renewing their passports.

For more information on the registration for using Macao's Automated Passenger Clearance System, please visit the website of the Public Security Police Force of Macao (http://www.fsm.gov.mo/psp/cht/psp_top5_22_2.html).





Korean travellers can use Macao's Automated Passengers Clearance System



Korean travellers can conduct registration for using the automated clearance system at the enrollment counter

(The photo is the enrollment counter at the Macao International Airport)