

Keep Malaysia Free From



Yellow

Fever

Vaccination Requirements for Malaysians and Visitors to Malaysia



What is Yellow Fever?

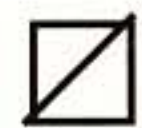
Yellow Fever is an acute infectious disease that presents a major public health threat in the endemic zones of Africa and South America where the virus continues to reappear even after long periods of quiescence. The agent which causes Yellow Fever is a mosquito-borne virus of the family Flaviviridae. Humans may acquire Yellow Fever from the bite of an infected mosquito and may spread the disease to villages or urban areas where they may be fed upon by domestic species of mosquito, especially *Aedes Aegypti*.

Malaysia is taking strong precautionary measures against the introduction of Yellow Fever as Malaysia is vulnerable and receptive to Yellow Fever transmission by people who have not had proper immunisation against the disease. Vector surveillance is carried out in all ports and airports to ensure that they are free from *Aedes Aegypti* mosquitoes.

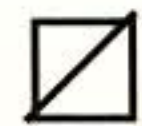


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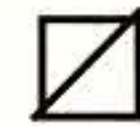
The following characteristics are symptoms of Yellow Fever:



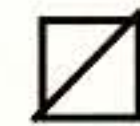
sudden onset of fever



backache with generalised muscle pain



nausea and vomiting



prostration



chills and headache

The incubation period of Yellow Fever is 3-6 days or longer after the bite of an infected mosquito. It is common for a remission to occur 3-4 days after the onset of the disease but generalised symptoms reemerge after a few hours. Jaundice, vomiting and haemorrhagic signs may be observed. Death occurs 7-10 days after the onset of illness.

It should be noted that there is **NO SPECIFIC TREATMENT** for Yellow Fever.



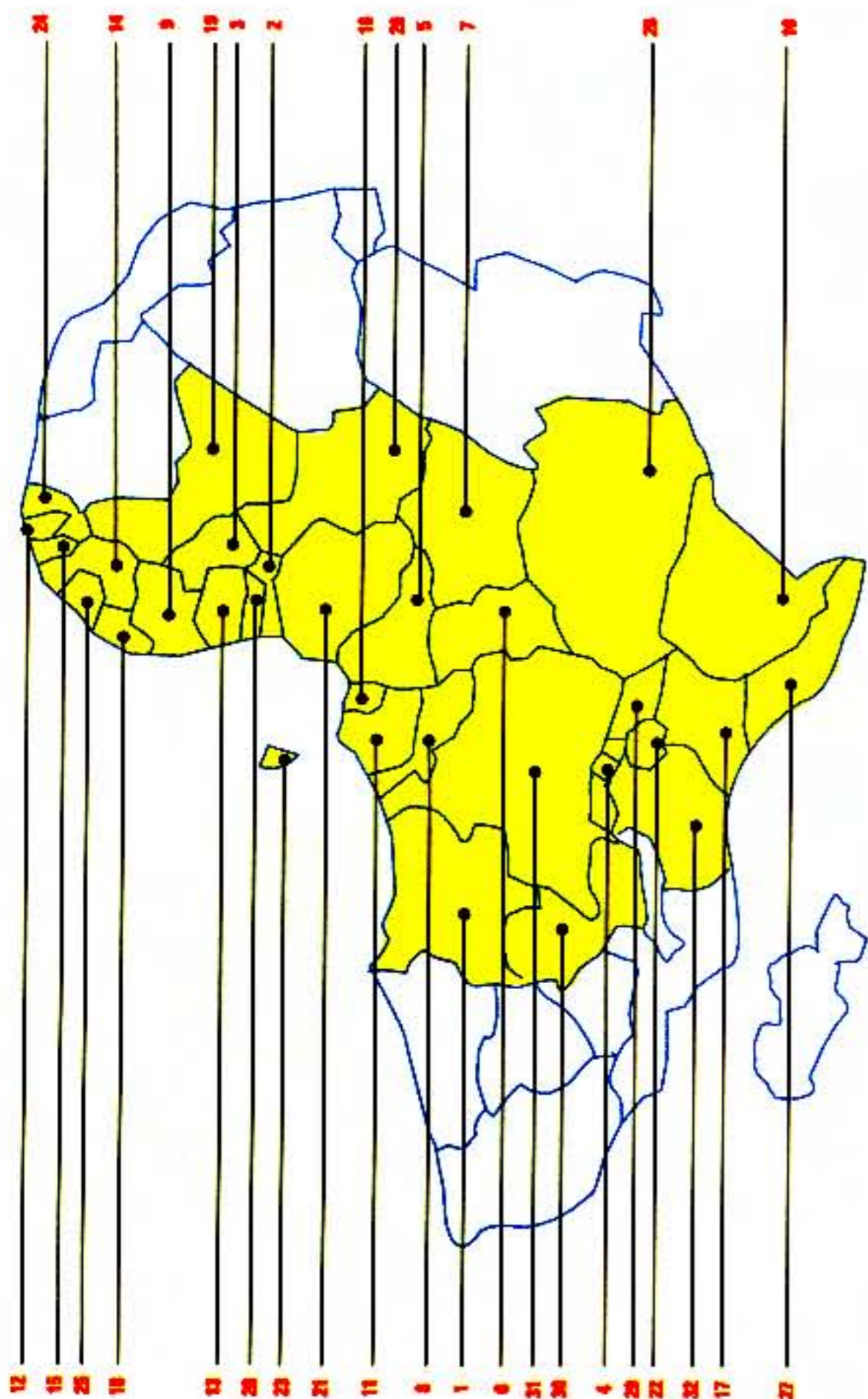
Yellow Fever Endemic Zones

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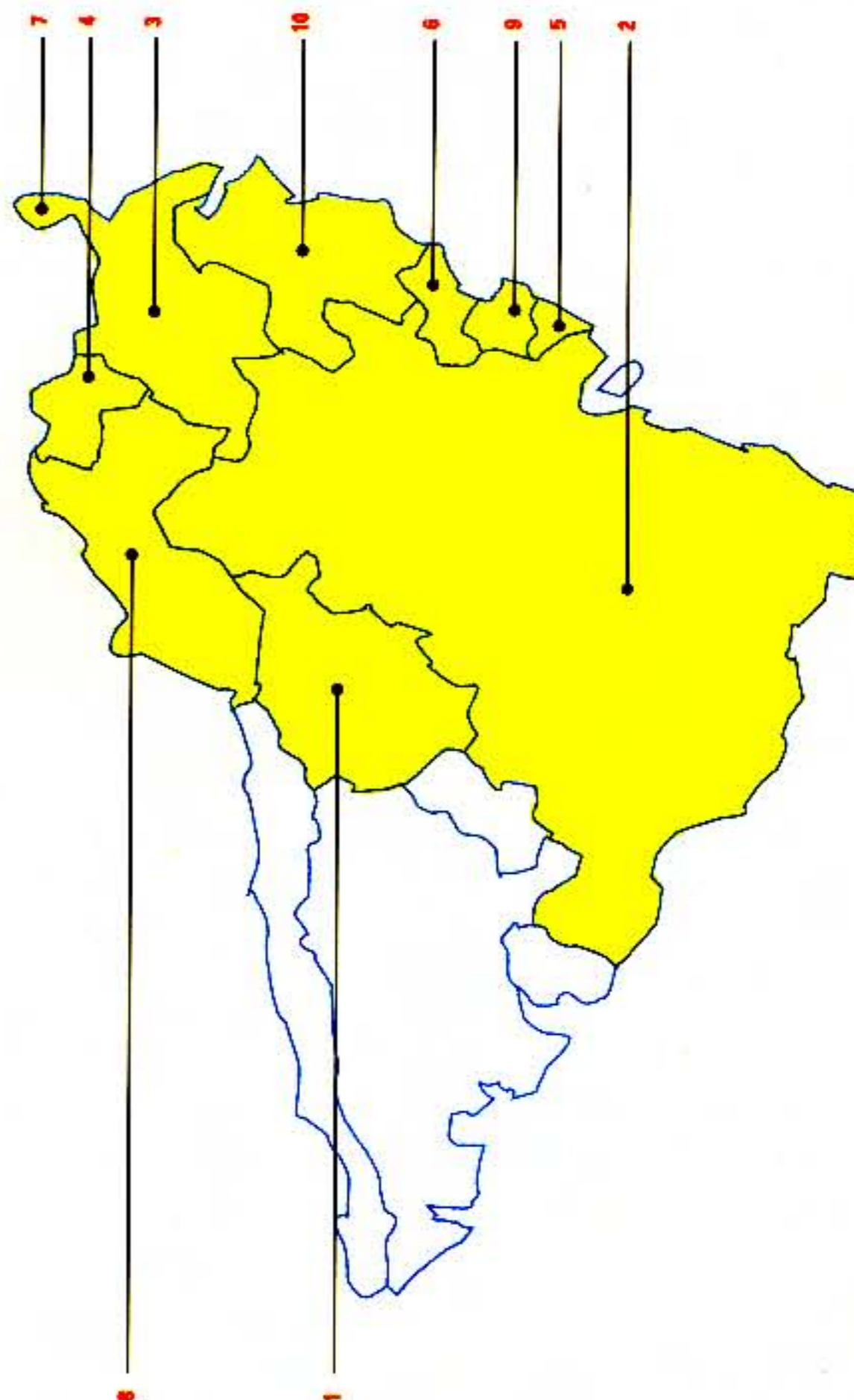


Yellow Fever Endemic Zones

South America



1. Angola
2. Benin
3. Burkina Faso
4. Burundi
5. Cameroon
6. Central Africa Republic
7. Chad
8. Congo
9. Ivory Coast
10. Ethiopia
11. Gabon
12. Gambia
13. Ghana
14. Guinea
15. Guinea Bissau
16. Guinea Equat
17. Kenya
18. Liberia
19. Mali
20. Niger
21. Nigeria
22. Rwanda
23. Sao Tome & Principe
24. Senegal
25. Sierra Leone
26. Sudan
27. Somalia
28. Togo
29. Uganda
30. Zambia
31. Zaire
32. United Republic of Tanzania



1. Bolivia
2. Brazil
3. Colombia
4. Equador
5. French Guiana
6. Guyana
7. Panama
8. Peru
9. Suriname
10. Venezuela

 Yellow Fever Endemic Zones



Vaccination Requirements in Malaysia

Who Should be Vaccinated?

In accordance with article 68 of the International Health Regulation of the World Health Organization, travellers without a valid Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate shall be quarantined upon arrival in Malaysia.

A Yellow Fever vaccination certificate is required from all Malaysians going to/through Yellow Fever endemic areas/countries and visitors coming from/through Yellow Fever endemic areas/countries. The vaccination certificate is only valid if the vaccine is approved by WHO and administered at an approved Yellow Fever Vaccinating Centre.

The vaccination has almost total efficacy, while the case fatality rate for the disease is more than 60% in adults who are not immune.

The period of validity of an international Certificate of Vaccination against Yellow Fever is 10 years, beginning 10 days after vaccination.

Thus a person intending to travel to Yellow Fever endemic

countries must get their vaccination 10 days before departure. If a person is revaccinated before the end of this period, the validity is extended for a further 10 years from the date of vaccination. If the revaccination is recorded on a new certificate, travellers are advised to retain the old certificate for 10 days until the new certificate becomes valid.



Laboratories Approved by World Health Organization (WHO) for the Production of Yellow Fever Vaccine

**Bio-Manguinhos
Oswaldo Cruz Foundation
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil**

**Evans Medical
Liverpool, England**

**Pasture-Merieux Sera and Vaccines
Lyon, France**

**Robert Koch Institute
Berlin**

**Institute of Poliomyelitis &
Viral Encephalitides
Moscow, Russian Foundation**

**Pasteur Institute
Dakar, Senegal**

**Connaught Laboratories Inc.
Swiftwater, Pennsylvania
United States of America**

Approved Yellow Fever Vaccinating Centres in Malaysia

**Virus Research Division
1st Floor,
Institute of Medical Research
Jalan Pahang
50588 Kuala Lumpur
Tel: 03-2698 6033**

**Port Health Office
1st Floor, Tuanku Syed Putra Building
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