

## CAAS Circular 2024/02

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## GUIDANCE ON PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) FOR AIRPORT WORKERS WHO ARE INVOLVED IN TEMPERATURE AND VISUAL SCREENING OPERATIONS

This Circular provides PPE guidance for workers who are involved in the temperature and visual screening operations at Changi and Seletar Airports. This follows the implementation of precautionary measures to enhance our surveillance capabilities against mpox at our borders. This Circular should be read together with CAAS Circular 06/2023.

The PPE guidance is appended as **Annex A**.

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S/N	Activity	PPE	Remarks
1	Workers who are manning the thermal and visual screening stations, including Healthcare Assistants (HCAs), Auxiliary Police Officers (APOs) and Aviation Security Officers (AvSOs).		
	a) Forward observer:     Workers who are forward deployed at the aerobridge for visual screening	Surgical mask	
	b) Aerobridge (or pier) health screening: Workers who are monitoring the temperature of passengers via contactless thermal scanners	Surgical mask	
	c) Secondary observer: Workers who need to view the passenger's exposed skin area for rash if thermal scanner flags fever	Surgical mask	
	d) Escort for suspects: Secondary observer or security officer escorting passengers who fit the criteria of case suspect, and have to be brought to the Health Screening Station (HSS) for further assessment, eg. HCAs and AvSOs	Surgical mask and gloves	If the suspect case has an emergency, eg collapsed, the escort will don N95 mask, eye protection, gown, and gloves to attend to the suspect case.
2	Staff manning the Health Screening Station (HSS)	N95 mask, gloves, gown and eye protection	Staff who operate the HSS would have close interactions with passengers or air crew who are case suspects, or who have declared symptoms and travel history to affected countries.
3	ICA officers who have to interact with passengers who are "man-trapped" at the e-gates; who have declared symptoms and travel history; and who conduct manual processing for passengers	Surgical mask and gloves	These ICA officers have to interact with passengers who are "mantrapped" at the e-gates, and who have declared symptoms and travel history to affected countries when they submitted their electronic health declaration. The ICA officers include those who may need to handle the personal belongings of these passengers, eg their passports.