

## Change Notification for the UK Blood Transfusion Services

**Date of Issue:** 04 July 2023

**Implementation:** to be determined by each Service

No. 26 – 2023

### Malaria

Revised entries in Geographical Disease Risk Index:

1. Azerbaijan
2. Costa Rica
3. Tajikistan

Changes are indicated using the key below. This formatting will not appear in the final entry.

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The following changes apply to:

<b>BM-DSG</b> Bone Marrow & Peripheral Blood Stem Cell	<b>CB-DSG</b> Cord Blood	<b>GDMI</b> Geographical Disease Risk Index	<b>TD-DSG</b> Tissue – Deceased Donors	<b>TL-DSG</b> Tissue – Live Donors	<b>WB-DSG</b> Whole Blood & Components
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### 1 Azerbaijan

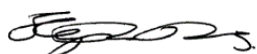
<i>Malaria</i>	«No» <del>Yes</del> <del>Risk occurs from June to October mostly between the Kura and Arax Rivers. Visitors to Baku, accept.</del>
<del>Malaria Risk Category</del>	<del>G</del>
<i>Trypanosoma Cruzi Risk</i>	No
<i>Sub Saharan Africa</i>	No
<i>West Nile Virus Risk</i>	No
<i>Tropical Virus Risk</i>	No

**2 Costa Rica**

<i>Malaria</i>	<b>Yes</b> «All year in the provinces of Alajuela and Limon.» <del>All year in province of Limon, on the Caribbean coast.</del> Visitors to the rest of the country including the Pacific coast may be accepted.
<i>Malaria Risk Category</i>	<b>B</b>
<i>Previous Malaria Risk</i>	Yes all year whole country until Dec 2011
<i>Trypanosoma Cruzi Risk</i>	<b>Yes</b>
<i>Sub Saharan Africa</i>	No
<i>West Nile Virus Risk</i>	No
<i>Tropical Virus Risk</i>	<b>Yes</b> Chikungunya virus, Dengue virus and Zika virus

**3 Tajikistan**

<i>Malaria</i>	«No» <del>Yes</del> <del>June – October particularly in southern border areas (Khatlon region) central region (Dushanbe) western region (Gorno-Badakhshan) and northern region (Leninabad)</del>
<del><i>Malaria Risk Category</i></del>	<del><b>C</b></del>
<i>Trypanosoma Cruzi Risk</i>	No
<i>Sub Saharan Africa</i>	No
<i>West Nile Virus Risk</i>	No
<i>Tropical Virus Risk</i>	No



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