



ADVISORY

REVISED TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS GUIDELINES AND QUARANTINE CLASSIFICATIONS FOR ARRIVING FOREIGN NATIONALS

Relative to: 1) IATF-MEID Resolution No. 165 dated 24 March 2022; 2) IATF-MEID Resolution No. 165-C dated 30 March 2022; and 3) IATF-MEID Resolution No. 165-D dated 31 March 2022, please be advised of the following travel restrictions guidelines for arriving foreign nationals:

- I. Effective 01 April 2022**, foreign nationals¹ may be allowed entry into the country without the need of Entry Exemption Document (EED), PROVIDED, they comply with immigration requirements and fall under the following categories:
- a. **Fully vaccinated** except minor children below twelve (12) years of age traveling with fully-vaccinated foreign parent/s;
 - b. Carry/possess an **acceptable proof of vaccination**;
 - c. Present **negative RT-PCR test** taken within forty-eight (48) hours, **or a negative laboratory based Antigen Test** taken within twenty-four (24) hours, prior to departure from country of origin/first port of embarkation, excluding layovers, PROVIDED, the passenger has not left the airport premises or was not admitted into the transit country;
 - d. With **passport valid for at least six (6) months** at the time of entry;
 - e. With **travel insurance for COVID-19** treatment costs, with a minimum coverage of USD35,000.00 for the duration of stay in the Philippines; and
 - f. With **valid onward/return ticket** to port of origin or next port of destination:
 - **for nationals from visa-free (EO No. 408 countries)** – onward/return ticket not later than 30 days from date of arrival in the country; *and*
 - **for nationals from visa-required countries** – onward/return ticket within the allowed maximum stay.
 - g. Nationals who are only allowed to stay for a period not exceeding fourteen (14) days or less shall present an onward/return ticket within the allowed given stay.

***THE FOLLOWING ARE EXEMPTED FROM THE TRAVEL INSURANCE AND RETURN TICKET REQUIREMENTS (items e and f):**

1. Foreign spouses and/or children of Filipino citizens;
2. Former Filipino citizens with Balikbayan privileges under Republic Act No. 9174, including their spouse and/or children who are traveling with them; *and*
3. Foreign nationals with valid immigrant visa, non-immigrant visa except 9A visa holders, and/or special visa issued by the Bureau of Immigration or competent Philippine government agencies.

¹ Including but not limited to APEC Business Travel Card (ABTC) holders, AJACS/AJACSSUK visas, etc.

***All tourists including 9A visa holders are required to present the return ticket and travel insurance requirements.**

II. Effective immediately, Ukrainian nationals may be allowed entry provided they comply with the following requirements:

- a. **Fully-vaccinated** except minor children below twelve (12) years of age traveling with fully-vaccinated foreign parent/s;
- b. Carry/possess an **acceptable proof of vaccination**;
- c. Present a **negative RT-PCR test** taken within forty-eight (48) hours, **or a negative laboratory based Antigen Test** taken within twenty-four (24) hours, prior to departure from country of origin/first port of embarkation, excluding layovers, PROVIDED, the passenger has not left the airport premises or was not admitted into the transit country; and
- d. **Seven (7) days self-monitoring** for symptoms (date of arrival being the first day).

III. VACCINATION and QUARANTINE REQUIREMENTS

<p>A. <u>Basis of Full Vaccination Status</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Received 2nd dose (2-dose series) or single dose vaccine more than 14 days prior to date and time of departure from country of origin/port of embarkation; • Vaccine is included in any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) List or Compassionate Special Permit (CSP) issued by the Philippine Food and Drug Administration; OR - Emergency Use Listing of the World Health Organization
<p>B. <u>Acceptable Proofs of Vaccination</u></p>	<p>ANY of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Health Organization International Certificates of Vaccination and Prophylaxis; • VaxCertPH; • National/state digital certificate of the foreign government which has accepted VaxCertPH under a reciprocal arrangement unless otherwise permitted by the IATF; OR • Other proofs of vaccination permitted by IATF.
<p>C. <u>Quarantine</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seven (7)-day self-monitoring for symptoms, with day one as the date of arrival

IV. SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDELINES

- Foreign nationals with valid and existing Entry Exemption Document (EED) issued prior to 01 April 2022 may be allowed entry pursuant to IATF Resolution No. 160-B; *and*
- Documentary and quarantine requirements for arriving Filipino nationals shall refer to BI Advisory dated 15 March 2022, relative to IATF Resolution Nos. 160-B, 160-D, and 164-A.

V. AIRLINE RESPONSIBILITY

Fraudulent and/or unverified vaccine certification, and passengers non-compliance with insurance requirements shall be the liability of airline carriers.

Existing guidelines for arriving Section 9(e) visa holders and crew member/s shall still be observed.

The foregoing is without prejudice to the exercise of the mandate of the Bureau of Immigration in Arrival and Departure formalities.

For strict compliance.

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