



CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES CHICAGO

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UPDATED EXEMPTIONS FROM THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF VISA ISSUANCE AND PROTOCOLS FOR ENTRY OF EXEMPTED FOREIGN NATIONALS

The Philippine Consulate General in Chicago wishes to inform the public that, pursuant to the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF-MEID) Resolution No. 97 series of 2021 dated 28 January 2021, and with the expiration of the travel restrictions on Covid-19 new variants on 31 January 2021, the new protocols for the entry of foreign nationals to the Philippines beginning 01 February 2021 shall be as follows:

A. As a **general rule**, foreign nationals are still prohibited from entering the Philippines, except the following:

1. Diplomats and members of international organizations and their dependents; provided, they have a valid 9(e) visa at the time of entry (*IATF Resolution No. 60, Series of 2020 & FSC No. 36-2020*);
2. Foreign seafarers under the Green Lanes program; provided they have a valid 9(c) visa at the time of entry (*IATF Resolution No. 47, Series of 2020 & FSC No. 34-2020 & FSC No. 37-2020*);
3. Holders of 13 series visa under the Immigration Act (Commonwealth Act [CA] 613, as amended, which includes: (a) Temporary Resident Visa (based on CA 613, Section 13a [marriage to Filipino]; (b) Temporary Resident Visa (based on MO ADD -01-038/ ADD-02-015 [Indian nationals]; (c) MCL-07-021 Permanent Resident Visa (based on CA 613, Section 13a [Chinese nationals]); and (d) Native Born Visa (based on CA 613, Section 13c [for foreigners born in the Philippines with at least 1 Permanent Resident parent]) (*IATF Resolution No. 56, Series of 2020*);
4. Holders of Republic Act 7917 visas (granted through Social Integration Program) (*IATF Resolution No. 56, Series of 2020*);
5. Holders of Executive Order 324 visas (*IATF Resolution No. 56, Series of 2020*);



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6. Foreign spouses of Filipino nationals; provided, the Filipino spouse is in the Philippines and they have valid visas (*IATF Resolution No. 60, Series of 2020*);
7. Foreign minor children, and foreign children with special needs regardless of age, of Filipino nationals; provided, the Filipino parent is in the Philippines and they have valid visas (*IATF Resolution No. 60, Series of 2020*);
8. Foreign parents of minor Filipino children and of Filipino children with special needs regardless of age; provided, the said Filipino minor or child/children is/are in the Philippines and they have valid visas (*IATF Resolution No. 60, Series of 2020*);
9. Holders of Special visas issued by the BI under Republic Act 8756 (*IATF Resolution No. 80, Series of 2020*);
10. Holders of 47(a-2) visas issued by the DOJ (*IATF Resolution No. 80, Series of 2020*);
11. Holders of 9(d) visas issued by the BI (*IATF Resolution No. 84, Series of 2020*);
12. Holders of visas issued by the Aurora Pacific Economic Zone and Freeport Authority, Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority, Authority of the Freeport Area of Bataan, Cagayan Economic Zone Authority, and Clark Development Corporation (*IATF Resolution No. 84, Series of 2020*);
13. Holders of Special Investor's Resident Visa (SIRV) issued under EO 226 (Omnibus Investment Code, as amended) but not under EO 63 (*IATF Resolution No. 84, Series of 2020*);
14. Dual Filipino citizens carrying foreign passports; provided, they possess and present a Recognition Certificate or a Certificate of Citizenship Retention and Reacquisition under RA9225 (*IATF Resolution No. 84, Series of 2020*);
15. Filipino citizen's foreign spouses and children, regardless of age, from non-visa required countries, who are travelling with them, and avail of visa-free entry privileges under R.A. No.6768 (Act Instituting the Balikbayan Program) (*IATF Resolution No. 85, Series of 2020*);



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16. Former Filipino citizens, including their spouses and children, from non-visa countries, regardless of age, who are travelling with them, and avail of visa-free entry privileges under R.A. No.6768 (Act Instituting the Balikbayan Program) (*IATF Resolution No. 85, Series of 2020*);
 17. Holders of 9(g) visas who departed the Philippines on or after 17 December 2020; provided, they have a valid visa at the time of entry (*IATF Resolution No. 85, Series of 2020*);
- B. All foreign nationals permitted entry into the Philippines shall be required: (1) to secure and present a pre-booked accommodation for at least seven (7) nights in a DOT-accredited quarantine hotel/facility, and (2) to undergo COVID-19 testing at their respective quarantine hotel/facility on the sixth (6th) day from date of arrival in the Philippines (*IATF Resolution No. 97, Series of 2020*), and other applicable quarantine and isolation protocols as prescribed by the Department of Health.

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

For visa-related concerns, please do not hesitate to email us at chicagopcg.visa@att.net.
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