



CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES CHICAGO

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LATEST ENTRY RESTRICTIONS PURSUANT TO IATF-MEID RESOLUTIONS

The Philippine Consulate General in Chicago wishes to inform the public of the updated entry restrictions for foreign nationals, pursuant to relevant Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-MEID) Resolutions:

- A. As a **general rule**, foreign nationals are still prohibited from entering the Philippines.
- B. Holders of valid Philippine visas, except 9(a) Temporary Visitor's Visa, may already be allowed entry into the country.
- C. Filipinos' foreign spouses and children from non-visa required countries, who are travelling with them, may avail of visa-free entry privileges under RA No.6768 (Act Instituting the Balikbayan Program). Also, former Filipinos, including their spouses and children, from non-visa countries, who are travelling with them, may avail of the same privileges.
- D. Dual Filipino citizens carrying foreign passports may be admitted as Filipinos, provided that they possess and present to Immigration Officers an original Recognition Certificate or a Certificate of Citizenship Retention and Reacquisition under RA9225.
- E. Foreign seafarers are exempted from the temporary suspension of visa issuance and may apply for visa at the Consulate, provided that they will enter the country for the purpose of crew rotation.
- F. All international travelers arriving the Philippines shall be subject to the following:
 1. Mandatory quarantine for fourteen (14) days upon arrival. The first ten (10) days of which shall be observed in a quarantine facility (proof of pre-booked accommodation required), with the remainder to be completed under home quarantine in their respective local government units;
 2. Reverse Transcription Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) testing shall be conducted on the seventh (7th) day with Day 1 being the day of arrival. Notwithstanding a negative test result, the traveler shall complete the facility-based quarantine of ten (10) days; and,
 3. other applicable quarantine and isolation protocols as prescribed by the Department of Health.

Concerned foreign nationals may contact the relevant government agencies for details on re-entry requirements, quarantine and testing, and other matters.

For visa-related concerns, please email us at chicagopcg.visa@att.net. **END**

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