



## Immigration news alerts

### COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic is a rapidly evolving situation, and authorities across the globe frequently update their travel advisories and immigration policies in response to the outbreak situation on the ground. In this series of news alerts, we will provide you with the latest news to keep you up to date on the developments in our region.



For the latest country-specific travel restrictions and immigration information in relation to COVID-19, visit [gowork.ges.deloitte](https://gowork.ges.deloitte) to view Deloitte's digital travel map (beta release).

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## Indonesia

### **Latest updates for foreign nationals** *(Translated from Bahasa Indonesia)*

Directorate General of Immigration | 11 February 2021

Foreign nationals holding the following visas or permits will be allowed to enter Indonesia through designated immigration checkpoints after undergoing the required health protocol procedures:

1. Temporary stay permit (ITAS) or Permanent Stay permit (ITAP)
2. Electronic Visa (E-visa)
3. Medical, food and humanitarian aid workers
4. Crew members
5. Foreign nationals working at vital strategic projects, vital national objects, or strategic national projects.

Foreign nationals in categories three, four, and five above will be required to obtain a letter of recommendation from the relevant ministry/institution in Indonesia to be presented to the Immigration officer upon arrival.

In addition, foreign nationals who have extended their visitor stay permit four times without exceeding 180 days, and ITAS holders who are not eligible to apply for a renewal ITAS are required to apply for a new stay permit through the onshore E-visa process. They will not be required to attach their reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) results to their application, but will be required to attach a declaration stating that they will undergo treatment at their own expense if they contract COVID-19 during their stay in Indonesia.



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## New Zealand

### **Current Alert Level**

New Zealand Government | 16 February 2021

Auckland is currently at Alert Level three until 17 February 2021. At Alert Level three, you can travel within your local area, and public transport can continue to operate with strict health and safety requirements. However, travel between regions is heavily restricted. More information on what Alert Level three entails can be found [here](#).

The rest of New Zealand is at Alert Level two for the same period. At Alert Level two, you can travel to other regions that are at Alert Level two or lower. More information on what Alert Level two entails can be found [here](#).



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## Philippines

### Revised travel restrictions

Bureau of Immigration | 13 February 2021

With effect from 16 February 2021, foreigners with valid 9(g) working visas, 9(f) student visas, Special Visa for Employment Generation (SVEG), and Special Investors Residence Visa (SIRV) under Executive Order 63, issued on or prior to 20 March 2020 will be permitted to enter Philippines. However, those whose visas were issued after 20 March 2020 would still need to present an exemption from the Department of Foreign Affairs upon entry.

Holders of Special Resident and Retirees Visa (SRRV), and 9(a) temporary visitor's visa may also be allowed to enter, as long as they present an entry exemption document.

Nevertheless, the visa-free privileges of foreigners from 157 locations remain suspended. Those who wish to enter Philippines with a tourist visa must first secure an entry visa, and only those that are entitled to the balikbayan privilege may be granted visa-free entry.

In addition, all passengers are required to have a pre-booked accommodation for at least six nights in an accredited quarantine hotel or facility.



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