



COVID-19 (Air Border Entry Requirements) Amendment Regulations 2022

Sir Tom J. Marsters, KBE


Queen's Representative

Order in Executive Council

At Avarua, Rarotonga this 27th day of January, 2022

Present:

His Excellency the Queen's Representative in Executive Council

Pursuant to sections 34 and 36 of the COVID-19 Act 2020, His Excellency the Queen's Representative, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations—

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Regulations

- Title**
These regulations are the COVID-19 (Air Border Entry Requirements) Amendment Regulations 2022.
- Commencement**
These regulations come into force on 1 February 2022.
- Principal regulations amended**
These regulations amend the COVID-19 (Air Border Entry Requirements) Regulations 2021.

- 4 **New regulation 7A inserted (Regulations 5 to 7 subject to Part 3)**
After regulation 7, insert:
- “7A **Regulations 5 to 7 subject to Part 3**
Regulations 5 to 7 are subject to Part 3 (Short-term restrictions on entry to Cook Islands).
- 5 **Regulation 16 amended (Evidence of negative RT-PCR test)**
Insert, as regulation 16(2):
- “(2) The Secretary may accept a document as evidence of a detail in subclause (1), despite the document not complying with subclause (1) if the Secretary considers that the document provides satisfactory evidence of the detail.
- 6 **New Part 3 inserted (Short-term restrictions on entry to Cook Islands)**
After regulation 24, insert:
- “Part 3**
“Short-term restrictions on entry to Cook Islands
- “25 **Short-term restrictions for group 2**
- “(1) A person in group 2 may only enter the Cook Islands if the person complies with the requirements in Schedule 1, which applies as if the person were in group 1.
- “(2) However, a person in group 2 is not required to comply with clause 1(1)(b) of Schedule 1 (which relates to vaccination requirements) if the person—
- “(a) is a child under the age of 5 years; or
- “(b) has a medical exemption.
- “(3) Schedule 2 does not apply to a person in group 2.
- “(4) This regulation ceases to apply at the close of 28 Feb 2022.
- “26 **Short-term restrictions for group 3**
- “(1) A person in group 3 may only enter the Cook Islands if the person complies with the requirements in Schedule 1, which applies as if the person were in group 1.
- “(2) However, a person in group 3 is not required to comply with clause 1(1)(b) of Schedule 1 (which relates to vaccination requirements) if the person—
- “(a) is a child under the age of 5 years; or
- “(b) has a medical exemption.
- “(3) Schedule 3 does not apply to a person in group 3.
- “(4) This regulation ceases to apply at the close of 28 Feb 2022.”


Clerk of the Executive Council

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These regulations are administered by the Ministry of Health.
These regulations were made on the 27 day of January 2022.

