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**NEW REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR TRAVEL  
TO NEW ZEALAND**

The Philippine Embassy in Wellington reported on the new requirements for travelling to New Zealand. The said requirements, which took effect last 01 October 2019 are as follows:

**1. For Citizens of Visa Waiver Countries**

Passport holder from a country on the list of visa waiver countries intending to visit (**tourists**) New Zealand must obtain a **New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA)**.

The Philippines is not included in the list of visa waiver countries and therefore its citizens **need not obtain** an NZeTA before travelling to New Zealand as tourists or migrant workers given that an appropriate visa will be issued to them.

**2. For Citizens of Transit Visa Waiver Countries**

Passport holder from a country on the list of visa waiver countries and transit visa waiver countries who are passing through New Zealand on the way to another country (**transit passengers**) must obtain a New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA).

The Philippines is included in **the list of transit visa waiver countries** and therefore its citizens **must obtain** an NZeTA before travelling to New Zealand as transit passengers.

**3. Procedures in the Application of an NZeTA**

Applicants can download the application form from the NZeTA's website (nzeta.immigration.govt.nz) or through the NZeTA mobile app in the App Store or Google Play.

#### 4. Validity and Costs

An NZeTA is valid for 2 years and costs NZ\$9 for mobile application and NZ\$12 in web form with processing time of acceptance within 72 hours.

The new requirements were being implemented by the government of New Zealand in order to enhance its border security and reduce immigration risk and vulnerability.

For the information of all concerned.



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