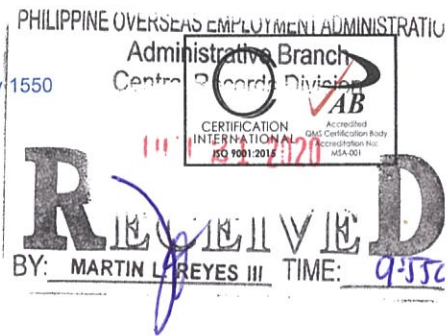




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**Requirement of COVID-19 PCR Test for Filipinos
within 72 Hours Prior to Departure to Singapore**

The Ministry of Health (MOH) of Singapore issued a new border measure to manage the risks of importation and onward local transmission of COVID-19 from foreign travelers.

The new measure requires travelers from Indonesia, India and the **Philippines**, who are not Singapore Citizens or Permanent Residents and those who have recent travel history to the said countries within the last 14 days prior to entry to take a COVID-19 polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test within 72 hours before departure. The new measure will take effect for those arriving in or transferring through Singapore from 19 October 2020 at 2359 hours (or 11:59 p.m.), including all work pass holders (domestic and non-domestic workers) who departed from or visited the Philippines.

The above-cited new requirement is in addition to the existing entry requirements, as follows:

- Entry Approval from the Ministry of Manpower (MOM) before commencing journey to Singapore.
- Stay-Home Notice (SHN) for 14-days upon arrival in Singapore. The SHN shall be served at a dedicated SHN facility.
- COVID-19 test before the SHN period ends. The employer is responsible for securing the MOM Entry Approval and for the cost of the 14-day day SHN and COVID-19.

Foreign travelers will need to present a valid negative COVID-19 test result as a condition of approval to enter or transfer through Singapore.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.


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