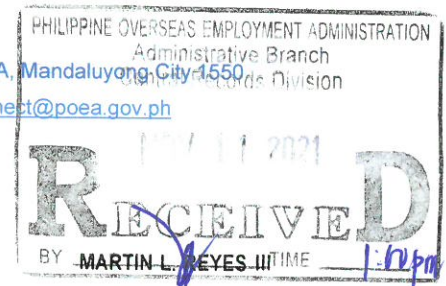




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AUSTRALIA'S REQUIREMENTS FOR PROOF OF COVID-19 VACCINATIONS FOR ARRIVING TRAVELLERS

The Australian Government recently announced that with the progressive re-opening of its borders from 01 November 2021, it will be adopting a unilateral approach to recognize foreign vaccination certificates of certain arriving travelers.

Australia will accept foreign vaccination certificates (paper or digital) as long as:

1. It was issued by a national or state/provincial-level authority or an accredited vaccination provider (i.e. pharmacy, or a doctor/nurse signing an entry in a WHO yellow book);
2. Written in English, or accompanied by a certified translation;
3. Containing at a minimum:
 - a. The traveler's name as it appears in the passport;
 - b. Either traveler's date of birth or passport number;
 - c. The vaccine brand name; and
 - d. Either the date of each dose or the date on which the traveler completed a full course of immunization.

All children under 12 years count as fully vaccinated for travel purposes.

For travelers to be considered as fully vaccinated, at least seven (7) days have passed since the last dose of vaccine and the certificate must show a vaccine that is approved or recognized by Australian Therapeutic Goods Administration which are as follows:

- Two (2) doses at least 14 days apart of:
 - AstraZenica Vaxzeria
 - AstraZenica COVISHIELD
 - Pfizer/Biontech Cominarty
 - Moderna Spikevax
 - Sinovac Coronavac
- One (1) dose of Janssen-Cilag COVID Vaccine

Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) advised that travelers will be required to sign an attestation on the authenticity of the certificate they present. Penalties



for false declarations will be similar to those of Australian biosecurity laws. This removes the need for authentication by government authorities for vaccination certificates.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.



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