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## Spain's Entry Restrictions due to COVID-19 as of November 2021

Spanish authorities have announced the tightening of entry requirements into the country due to concerns over the new COVID-19 Omicron variant. Starting 01 December 2021, travelers from the United Kingdom and third countries that are considered at risk are temporarily restricted from entering the country except for several categories. The Philippines is currently included in Spain's list countries that are considered at risk.

Spain also only allow fully vaccinated people to enter the country where the second dose of vaccination must be at least 14 days prior to entry. Previously, unvaccinated people were allowed in with a negative COVID-19 test. Travelers from high risk.

Travelers from Philippines can only enter Spain if they hold the mandatory travel documentation and if they belong to one of the following categories:

- 1. Habitual residents in the European Union, Schengen Associated States, Andorra, Monaco, The Vatican (Holy See) or San Marino who go to that country and can provide supporting documents;
- 2. Holders of a long-term visa issued by an EU or Schengen Associated State who are going to that country;
- 3. Health professionals, including health researchers and care professionals working with the elderly who go to or return from exercising their work activity.
- 4. Transport, marine and aeronautical personnel necessary to carry out air transport activities;
- 5. Diplomatic, consular, international, military, civil protection and members of humanitarian organizations, in the exercise of their functions.
- 6. Students who carry out their studies in the EU or Schengen Associated States and who have the corresponding permit or visa for long-term stay, provided that they go to the country where they are studying, and that the entry occurs during the academic year or previous 15 days.
- 7. Highly qualified workers whose work is necessary and cannot be postponed or carried out remotely, including participants in high-level sports events that take place in Spain. In these cases, supporting documents are required.
- 8. Persons traveling for duly accredited imperative family reasons.
- 9. People who travel for reasons of force majeure or need, or whose entry is allowed for humanitarian reasons, and can provide supporting documents.
- 10. Residents of non-EU countries listed in the Ministry of Health's website.
- 11. Persons with a vaccination certificate, recognized for this purpose by the Ministry of Health, after verification by the health authorities, as well as their accompanying minors (under 12 years of age).

The public is reminded that not all of the above allowed categories are under the purview of the POEA.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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https://www.mscbs.gob.es/en/profesionales/saludPublica/ccayes/alertasActual/nCov/spth.htm

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