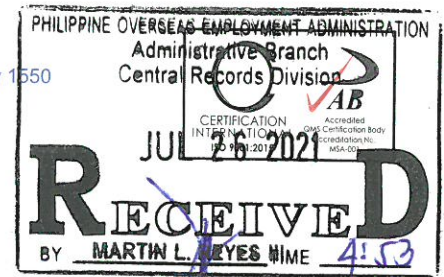




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FRANCE UPDATE ON COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

France listed the Philippines under the "Orange" countries category and the following international restrictions shall apply to all travelers:

- 1) Vaccinated people arriving from "orange" countries are only subject to a pre-departure COVID-19 test requirement (PCR test taken 72 hours prior to departure, or antigenic test taken 48 hours prior to departure);
- 2) Non-vaccinated travelers may enter France only for urgent reasons. In addition to the pre-departure COVID-19 test requirement, they are also subject to 7-day self-isolation and they may also be subject to random antigenic tests upon arrival;
- 3) Other international restrictions:
 - Facemasks are required in all enclosed public spaces. It is no longer a requirement to wear a mask in outdoor public spaces, with some exceptions including gatherings, queues, markets, stadiums.
 - Public spaces and services: Starting 21 July 2021, people attending events and cultural spaces with over 50 people will be asked to demonstrate their COVID-19 status through the "pass sanitaire". This can be acquired by fulfilling one of the following three criteria: Vaccination certificate, illustrating that you are fully vaccinated with a vaccine authorized by the European Medical Authority:
 1. Two weeks after a second dose of any of the following COVID-19 vaccines:
 - Oxford/AstraZeneca
 - Pfizer/BioNTech
 - Moderna
 2. 28 days after a single dose of Johnson & Johnson.
 3. Two weeks after a single injection for those able to demonstrate they have already been infected (this only applies to those vaccinated in France).
 - Negative PCR or antigen test result from the last 48 hours.
 - A document (dated more than 11 days ago and less than six months ago) proving you have recently recovered from COVID.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.


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