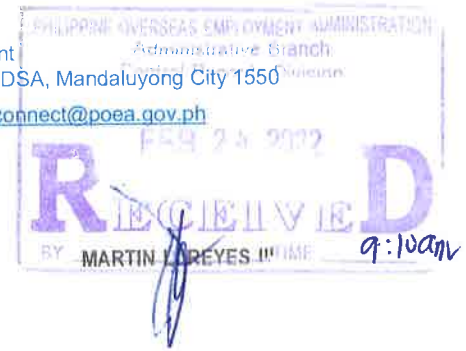




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### Updated Health Protocols in Kuwait

The Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO) in Kuwait recently provided the updated guidelines on travels to and from the State of Kuwait. The new guidelines that lifted and relaxed the COVID protocols initially being imposed by the said country will be implemented effective on 20 February 2022.

The new protocols are as follows:

1. Fully Immunized Individuals
  - Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Test is no longer required upon departure and arrival
  - Home quarantine is no longer required upon arrival
2. Partially Immunized Individuals
  - PCR Test is no longer required upon departure
  - Seven (7) days home quarantine upon arrival with the possibility of ending quarantine by presenting a negative PCR result
3. Unimmunized Individuals
  - A negative PCR result taken 72 hours prior to departure must be presented
  - Home quarantine for seven (7) days upon arrival and end quarantine on day 7 by presenting a negative PCR result

Currently, the approved COVID-19 vaccines in Kuwait are Pfizer-BioNTech, Oxford-AstraZeneca, Moderna, and Johnson and Johnson. POLO- Kuwait, however, reported that those who are vaccinated with Sinovac can still be allowed entry in the said country provided that any of the approved vaccines were used in the subsequent booster shot.

POLO-Kuwait stressed that the digital vaccination certificates secured from VaxCertPh are acceptable in Kuwait and workers may upload their certificates at the Kuwait's Ministry of Health portal ([www.moh.gov.kw](http://www.moh.gov.kw)) before departure for validation. Workers will receive an email confirmation/approval of the certificates.

For information and guidance of all concerned.

  
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