



INDEPENDANT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA
NATIONAL PANDEMIC ACT 2020

OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER

NO.1 INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC TRAVEL MEASURES

I, Commissioner David Manning, Controller, by virtue of the powers conferred by Section 9 of the *National Pandemic Act 2020* and all other enabling powers, hereby issue the following measures:

1. A port of entry stated in Column One in Schedule One, being a port of entry into Papua New Guinea ('PNG') from another country is:
 - a. a First Port of Entry for aircrafts or vessels coming from another country into PNG as stated in Column Two for the time period of the Declaration of a Pandemic under the Act; and
 - b. a quarantine station for the performance of quarantine by any authorised person on any vessel, person, animal, plant or goods coming from another country into PNG;
 - c. designated as a Point of Entry for the purposes of Article 20(1) of the *International Health Regulations* (2005).
2. No vehicle, vessel or aircraft coming into PNG from another country, shall have entry at a Port of Entry in PNG which is not declared a First Port of Entry per Paragraph 1 of these Measures.
3. No person(s) shall cause a vehicle, vessel or aircraft to arrive at a port of entry in Papua New Guinea which is not a declared First Port of Entry under Paragraph 1 of these Measures.
4. No person, including PNG Citizens and Permanent Residents are allowed to enter PNG, except by aircraft.
5. Traditional border crossing arrangements are hereby suspended and there is a prohibition on travel of any persons travelling from the Republic of Indonesia, Australia, the Federated



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States of Micronesia, or the Solomon Islands into Papua New Guinea by these traditional border crossings.

6. No person is permitted to board an aircraft bound for PNG unless provided an exemption in writing by the Controller or his delegate.
7. All PNG Citizens and Permanent Residents returning to PNG by aircraft must be quarantined at a:
 - a. designated facility in Port Moresby listed in Schedule 2, at the Government's cost; or
 - b. designated hotel in Port Moresby listed in Schedule 3, at the individual's cost.
8. All non-PNG Citizens and non-Permanent Residents returning to PNG by aircraft must be quarantined at a designated hotel in Port Moresby listed in Schedule 3, at the individual's cost.
9. Foreign diplomats travelling on a diplomatic travel document or diplomatic passport are exempted from the requirements in paragraph 8, but must self-isolate at an appropriate residence for 14 days.
10. For the purposes of paragraph 9, failure to adhere to self-isolation for 14 days is not an offence under the *National Pandemic Act 2020*.
11. For the purposes of paragraph 9, an individual who fails to adhere to self-isolation for 14 days shall be declared a persona non grata according to Article 9 of the *Vienna Convention on the Diplomatic Relations*.
12. The Controller may exempt a person from paragraph 7, or 8, exempted persons shall self-isolate at a location directed by the Controller for 14 days.
13. Upon arrival at the designate place in Schedules 2 or 3, or as designated per paragraph 9 or 12, a person must reside and remain in that place, self-quarantined and segregated from other persons, for the period beginning on the day of arrival and ending at midnight on the fourteenth day after arrival into PNG.



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14. Any person currently in quarantine imposed under the National Emergency must remain in quarantine until they have spent 14 days in quarantine, ending at midnight on the fourteenth day after arrival into PNG.
15. A couple or family shall be quarantined together should they enter PNG on the same flight.
16. Persons may leave a designated place prior 14 days:
 - a. for the purposes of obtaining emergency medical care;
 - b. with authorisation of the Controller for seeking non-emergency medical care or medical supplies;
 - c. in an emergency situation; or
 - d. for any reason approved in advance by the Controller or his delegate.
17. A person arriving into PNG on any aircraft is taken not to arrive in PNG for the purpose of these Measures if the person does not leave the plane or the immediate vicinity of the aircraft for the purposes of conducting pre-flight inspections and refueling.
18. A person arriving into PNG on any vessel is taken not to arrive in PNG for the purpose of these Measures if the person does not leave the vessel.
19. For the purposes of paragraph 7, 8, 12, 13 and 14, an individual who fails to adhere to quarantine for 14 days shall be deemed to have committed an offence under the *National Pandemic Act 2020*.
20. Authorised Officers shall ensure appropriate levels of surveillance and border monitoring systems are in place throughout the country for international travel and in particular at the traditional border crossing areas.



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Domestic Travel Restrictions General

21. No roadblocks are to be established by any person, including authorised officers, except for those Directed by the Controller.

Domestic Travel to Other Provinces

22. All flights domestically in Papua New Guinea must comply with the following requirements:

- a. hygiene and social distancing restriction as issued by the controller; and
- b. all passengers must complete an Air Passenger Travel Form.

23. Subject to paragraph 22, unless otherwise restricted by the Controller by written Direction, flights within PNG shall not be restricted.

24. Travel by foot, vehicle and vessel between Provinces, unless otherwise restricted by the Controller by written Direction, shall not be restricted.



25. Non-compliance with the directions of an Authorised Officer in accordance with preceding paragraphs shall be punishable in accordance with the Act.

26. Any Authorised Officer(s) appointed by the Controller pursuant to the Act, shall carry out and enforce these Measures accordingly.

27. These Measures comes into effect on 17 June 2020 and shall apply until the end of the Declaration of a Pandemic under the Act.

Signed:

Date:


 17/6/20

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Schedule 1 Port of Entry

Column 1	Column 2
Jacksons Airport	Aircraft
Motukea Port, Port Moresby	Vessel
PNG Ports, Rabaul	Vessel
PNG Ports, Morobe	Vessel
PNG Ports, Madang	Vessel



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Schedule 2 – Government Designated Facility

Ponderosa Hotel

Hideaway Hotel

Lamana Hotel

Schedule 3 – Designated Hotel

Holiday Inn Hotel

Ela Beach Hotel

Grand Papua Hotel

Laguna Hotel

Hilton Hotel

Stanley Hotel

Lamana Hotel

Airways Hotel