



EMBASSY ADVISORY FOR RETURNING FILIPINOS

The Philippine Embassy in Singapore wishes to provide Filipino nationals returning to the Philippines the following reminders from the Philippine government to control the spread of Covid-19:

1) *For Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs)*

- a. Register online at least three days prior to departure from Singapore for mandatory swab testing upon arrival in Manila through <https://e-cif.redcross.org.ph>. A personal email address is required. Save or print the QR code received by email.
- b. Also register with OWWA's *OFW Assistance Information System (OASIS)* through <http://oasis.owwa.gov.ph> to facilitate Philippine government's support services such as assignment of a quarantine facility and local transportation.

2) *For other overseas Filipinos or non-OFWs*

- a. Register online through <https://bit.ly/3ffoAIK> prior to departure from Singapore for mandatory swab testing upon arrival in Manila.
- b. Pre-book online a quarantine facility of your choice through <http://quarantine.doh.gov.ph/facilities-inspected-as-of-july-30-2020/>.



3) *Cost of Mandatory Testing, Quarantine and Transfers*

- a. The cost of the mandatory swab tests, transfers and hotel accommodation is shouldered by OWWA for OFWs and Local Manning Agencies for seafarers.
- b. Non-OFWs have to pay for their swab tests, hotel accommodation and transfers. The cost of the swab test is Php 4,500.00 per person.

4) *Other Important Reminders*

- a. Test results are expected to be released within 48 hours for non-OFWs and 3-5 days for OFWs.
- b. A negative test result is required for domestic travel. A passenger tested positive for Covid-19 will be transferred from a quarantine facility to a hospital.
- c. Starting 15 August 2020, the Department of Transportation will require all travellers using public transportation, including air transportation, to wear face shields in addition to face masks.
- d. All returning Filipinos are encouraged to also coordinate with their respective Local Government Units (provinces, cities and municipalities) which may have their own separate testing and quarantine protocols.

Thank you.

***The Philippine Embassy, Singapore
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