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**Health Protocols for Arriving Passengers**

The public is hereby advised that in compliance with health protocols instituted by competent government authorities, the Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) of the Department of Transportation (DOTr) issued an Advisory dated 11 May 2020 providing specific guidance for arriving Filipino travelers, including returning overseas Filipino workers (OFWs), seafarers, and non-OFWs. A copy of the said Advisory is attached hereto for reference.

This POEA Advisory shall be updated upon the issuance of further instructions or advise by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID), its Sub-Task Groups, and/or concerned government agencies/authorities.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

  
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Administrator

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## ADVISORY

**IN RE: Adherence to the Guidelines on Arriving Passengers**  
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Under the health protocols issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force on Covid 19 which are currently in force, all passengers arriving in the Philippines are required to undergo COVID-19 RT-PCR test as well as quarantine procedures in approved facilities while awaiting the results of their tests. In line with this procedure, all air carriers are required to inform every passenger travelling to the Philippines of the said requirement and procedure. More specifically, passengers should be informed that payment for the cost of their accommodation in approved quarantine areas will be in accordance with the following: for returning OFWS, the cost of quarantine accommodations shall be shouldered by the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA) for land-based OFWs, and by the local manning agency and/or Maritime Industry Authority for sea-based OFWs; for non-OFWs, namely Overseas Filipinos (OFs) returning home, they can choose from among the approved quarantine facilities at their own cost. Passengers will also be encouraged to fill out, prior to arrival in the airport, the Case Investigation Form, which can be downloaded at <http://ritm.gov.ph/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/COVID-19-Form-1.pdf>, in order to expedite airport procedures.

Likewise, all disembarking crew members shall undergo the same testing procedure, and observe quarantine protocols while awaiting their test results or departure, whichever comes first.

Please be guided accordingly.

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Pasay City, Philippines

  
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