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# COVID-19 Public Health Response (Required Testing) Amendment Order (No 2) 2020

This order is made by the Minister of Health under section 11 of the COVID-19 Public Health Response Act 2020 in accordance with sections 9 and 15 of that Act.

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# Order

# 1 Title

This order is the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Required Testing) Amendment Order (No 2) 2020.

#### 2 Commencement

This order comes into force at 11.59 pm on 16 September 2020.

# 3 Principal order

This order amends the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Required Testing) Order 2020 (the **principal order**).

## 4 Clause 4 amended (Interpretation)

(1) In clause 4, replace the definition of **affected airport** with:

**affected airport**, in relation to a place, means an airport where an aircraft arrives from a location outside New Zealand

(2) In clause 4, replace the definition of **affected person** with:

affected person, in relation to a place, means a person-

(a) who belongs to a group; and

- (b) who carries out work in any capacity (whether paid or unpaid) at the place
- (3) In clause 4, replace the definition of affected port with: affected port, in relation to a place, means a port where a ship arrives from a location outside New Zealand
- (4) In clause 4, revoke the definitions of **Port of Tauranga** and **Ports of Auck-**land.
- (5) In clause 4, insert in their appropriate alphabetical order:

**aircraft** has the same meaning as in section 2(1) of the Civil Aviation Act 1990 **port** has the same meaning as in section 2(1) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994.

**ship** has the same meaning as in section 2(1) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994

## 5 Clause 8 amended (Exemption from testing and medical examination)

- (1) In the heading to clause 8, replace "Exemption" with "Exemptions".
- (2) In clause 8, insert as subclauses (2), (3), and (4):
- (2) An affected person who works at an affected airport is not required to undergo testing and medical examination under clause 7 if an aircraft has not arrived at the affected airport from a location outside New Zealand for a period of at least 14 consecutive days.
- (3) An affected person who works at an affected port is not required to undergo testing and medical examination under clause 7 if a ship has not arrived at the affected port from a location outside New Zealand for a period of at least 14 consecutive days.
- (4) To avoid doubt,—
  - (a) the exemption in subclause (2) ceases to apply the moment an aircraft arrives at the affected airport from a location outside New Zealand:
  - (b) the exemption in subclause (3) ceases to apply the moment a ship arrives at the affected port from a location outside New Zealand.

Dated at Wellington this 11th day of September 2020.

Hon Chris Hipkins, Minister of Health.

# **Explanatory note**

This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order, which amends the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Required Testing) Order 2020, comes into force at 11.59 pm on 16 September 2020. The amendments extend the testing and medical examination requirement to specified groups of affected persons at all airports and ports unless exempted. In relation to an airport, the exemption applies if an aircraft has not arrived at the airport from a location outside New Zealand for a period of at least 14 consecutive days. In relation to a port, the exemption applies if a ship has not arrived at the port from a location outside New Zealand for a period of at least 14 consecutive days.

This order must be approved by a resolution of the House of Representatives before the expiry of the period described in section 16(2) of the COVID-19 Public Health Response Act 2020. If this does not happen, the order is revoked on the expiry of that period.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012. Date of notification in *Gazette*: 11 September 2020. This order is administered by the Ministry of Health.