



Phuket Announcement

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Title: Closure of the Province of Phuket's Point of Entry and Exit during the crisis to curb the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

The Governor of the Province of Phuket together with the decision of Committee of Communicable Disease of Phuket Province has continuously issued Announcements as the proactive measures to combat COVID – 19. However, it is evidenced that the disease transmission is still on the raise. In accordance with section 35 of the Communicable Disease Act, B.E. 2558 (2015), and article 2, section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in an Emergency Situation, B.E. 2548 (2005) (version 1), the Governor of the Province of Phuket, as the Supervisor for the public administration in the emergency situation, together with the decision of the meeting session 11/2563 of the Committee of Communicable Disease of Phuket dated March 29, 2020, thereby mandates **to close all of the Province of Phuket's point of Entry and Exit, with the EXCEPTION of the Air Transportation Channel, from 00.01 a.m. of March 30, 2020 to April 30, 2020 or until otherwise announced as follows:**

1. Closure of Land Transportation Channel

The Province of Phuket's check point (Tha Chatchai 's check point) will be closed for the personal vehicles and persons, for the entry and exit purposes. However, the vehicles that are utilized for specific purposes, are exempted, for instance, the vehicles which transport commodities, cooking gas, fuel oil, building materials, medical supplies and equipment, parcels and printed materials, rescue and emergency vehicles, governmental vehicles. The permitted vehicles, however, have to strictly follow the order by the Communicable Disease Officers,

2. Closure of Marine Transportation Channel

2.1 International Marine Transportation Channel will be closed for all kind of carriers and persons, for the entry and exit purposes. However, the carriers that carry goods, commodities and those of essential needs are exempt. It is suggested that the carriers shall leave the port at the earliest with NO permission of the crews' entry.

2.2 Provincial Marine Transportation Channel will be closed for all kinds of carriers and persons, for the entry and exit purposes. However, the carriers that carry goods and commodities, building materials, rescue and emergency carriers, governmental carriers are exempted. It is suggested that the director of carriers and crews, who need to entry the port shall strictly follow the Communicable Disease inspection process.

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However, the above 2 items will not include the persons as follows:

(1) Persons who are appointed by the Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand or any leader who is responsible for the Emergency Decree, or with the necessary permission, or with the time constrain.

(2) Persons on diplomatic or consular missions or under international Organizations, or representatives of the government performing their duties in the Province of Phuket that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs gives permission pertaining to necessity; shall apply for a certificate of entry unto the Kingdom from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with relevant documents.

Persons granted an exemption or relaxation under (1) and (2) must have a Health Certificate which has been certified or issued no more than 72 hours before travelling; upon entry into the Province of Phuket, they must also strictly comply with disease prevention measures prescribed by the Government. The Communicable Disease Officers have the power to refuse entry into the Province of Phuket of non - Thai nationals who have been tested positive for COVID - 19 or are under suspicion of being infected or who refuse to undergo such test.

Effective from March 30, 2020 to April 30, 2020 or until otherwise announced.

Announced on March 29, 2020



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