



INFORMATION

The Coordinating Minister for Maritime Affairs and Investment Circular Letter (SE) No. 20 Year 2021 and COVID-19 Response Acceleration Task Force Decree No. 14 Year 2021

On October 13th, 2021 the Coordinating Minister for Maritime Affairs and Investment, Luhut Binsar Pandjaitan announced the reduction of the quarantine period from 8 days to 5 days for foreigners (WNA) arriving in Indonesia from the country of origin with a low positive case escalation and effective from **October 14th, 2021**. His statement is supported with the release of the Circular Letter (SE) No. 20 Year 2021.

According to the Circular Letter (SE) No. 20 Year 2021 concerning International Travel Health Protocols during the Covid-19 Pandemic issued by COVID-19 Response Acceleration Task Force. The 5-days quarantine period regulation applies for all foreigners who enter Indonesia through Jakarta, Manado, Bali, Riau Islands, and other entrances whether by air, land, or sea. With the enactment of SE No. 20 Year 2021, it caused SE No. 18 Year 2021, Addendum to Circular No. 18 Year 2021, and Second Addendum to Circular Letter No.18 Year 2021 to be revoked and declared invalid.

In addition, there are several criteria of foreigners who are required to conduct a 5-days quarantine as follows:

1. For Indonesian Citizens (WNI), including Migrant Workers (PMI), Students, or government employees who return from official trips abroad, the quarantine area and RT-PCR test obligations are borne by the government.
2. For Indonesian Citizens outside criteria in point 1 and for foreigners (WNA), include Diplomats outside the Head of Foreign Representative and their families must undergo quarantine in quarantine accommodation recommended by Covid-19 Handling Task Force that has to meet terms and conditions for Cleanliness, Health, Safety, and Environmental Sustainability (CHSE).

With these updates, it can be said that this quarantine period reduction to 5 days applies to all foreigners (WNA) and Indonesian Citizens (WNI) in general who wants to enter Indonesia after conducting their RT-PCR test at the airport. The difference is only in the quarantine expenses that will be borne by the government for Indonesian Citizens and at their own expense for foreigners (WNA).

On the same day of this establishment regulation, On Wednesday, October 13th, 2021 the COVID-19 Response Acceleration Task Force (SATGAS) also released Decree No. 14 Year 2021 concerning Entry Points, Quarantine Places, and RT-PCR Obligations for Indonesian Citizens International Travelers which is effective from October 13 to December 31, 2021. With the stipulation of this decision, the Decree of the Chairperson of the COVID-19 Response Acceleration Task Force Number 13 Year 2021 concerning Entry Points, Quarantine Places, and RT-PCR Obligations for Indonesian Citizens International Travel Actors is revoked and declared invalid.

In this decree, the Head of the COVID-19 Response Acceleration Task Force (KASATGAS) has designated entry point for citizens of international travelers through:

- **Airports;** Soekarno Hatta, Banten and Samratulangi, North Sulawesi
- **Seaports;** Batam, Riau Islands, Tanjung Pinang, Riau islands and Nunukan, North Kalimantan
- **Cross-border post;** Aruk, West Kalimantan and Entikong, West Kalimantan

Indonesian Citizens International Travelers are required to quarantine with the following conditions:

- Quarantine with a period of 5 x 24 hours from the country of origin with a low positive case escalation; and
- Quarantine with a period of 14 x 24 hours from the country of origin with a high positive case escalation.

The official lists of the low and high countries of origin still haven't been published by the government yet. But the international travelers can refer to the Official Center Disease Control Prevention (CDC) Websites to see the country's list [here](#) and suggested contacting the related country's government to clarify.

In addition, this decree also stipulates Wisma Pademangan as a quarantine place for Indonesian citizens who enter international travel through the Soekarno Hatta airport entry point, Banten whose services include lodging, transportation, meals, and RT-PCR costs. This quarantine place is specifically intended for Indonesian citizens with:

1. The status of Indonesian Migrant Workers Returning to Indonesia and staying at least 14 days in Indonesia.
2. For students who return to Indonesia after attending education or carrying out study assignments abroad.
3. And government employees who return to Indonesia after carrying out official trips abroad.

The Minister of Law and Human Rights of the Republic of Indonesia (Kepmenkumham) released Decree No. M.HH-03.GR.01.05/2021 regarding types of activities foreigners are allowed to be granted visas during the period of handling the spread of Corona Virus Disease 2019 and national economic recovery. The Minister of Law and Human Rights, H.E Yasonna H. Laoly, stipulates tourism and filmmaking activities are allowed to enter Indonesia with Visit Visa (B211A) effective from **October 13th, 2021**.

Reference:

- The Circular Letter (SE) No. 20 Year 2021 and COVID-19 Response Acceleration Task Force Decree No. 14 Year 2021

If you require a copy of the reference document above, please do not hesitate to contact research@ibai.or.id.

Thank you for your attention and hope this information would be valuable for you.

Italian Business Association in Indonesia (IBAI)

c/o Istituto Italiano di Cultura Jakarta

Jl. HOS Cokroaminoto No. 117 Menteng Jakarta 10310 INDONESIA

P: +6281 1979 4262 E: ibai@ibai.or.id