



## **COVID-19 Public Health Response (Air Border) Amendment Order (No 3) 2022**

This order is made by the Minister for COVID-19 Response under sections 11 and 15(1) of the COVID-19 Public Health Response Act 2020 in accordance with section 9 of that Act.

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### **Order**

#### **1 Title**

This order is the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Air Border) Amendment Order (No 3) 2022.

## 2 Commencement

This order comes into force at 11.00 am on 25 March 2022, except as follows:

- (a) clauses 6 and 9(3) come into force at 11.59 pm on 23 March 2022:
- (b) clauses 9(1) and (2) and 10 to 14 come into force at 11.59 pm on 31 March 2022.

## 3 Principal order

This order amends the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Air Border) Order 2021.

## 4 Clause 4 amended (Interpretation)

In clause 4, insert in their appropriate alphabetical order:

**NZTD system** has the meaning given in clause 60

**NZTD traveller pass** has the meaning given in clause 12(2B)

## 5 Clause 12 amended (Must have traveller pass)

Replace clause 12(2) with:

- (2) The traveller pass must be an NZTD traveller pass.
- (2A) However, in the circumstances specified by a Director-General notice, the traveller pass may be an alternate traveller pass.
- (2B) In this clause,—
  - alternate traveller pass** means a traveller pass in the form that is specified by a Director-General notice
  - NZTD traveller pass** means a traveller pass issued to the person under clause 60 after they make, or someone makes on their behalf, a traveller declaration using the NZTD system.

## 6 Clause 13 amended (Must be vaccinated or excused by certificate (unless under 17 years of age))

- (1) After clause 13(2)(c), insert:
  - (d) a person who is an arrival from Ukraine.
- (2) After clause 13(3), insert:
- (4) In this clause and in Schedule 3,—
  - (a) a person is an **arrival from Ukraine** if—
    - (i) they travel to New Zealand for the first time as a holder of a visa granted to them under the 2022 Special Ukraine Visa Policy; or
    - (ii) they are, or have been, ordinarily resident in Ukraine at any point on, or after, 1 January 2022; but

- (b) a person is not an **arrival from Ukraine** if they travel to New Zealand as the holder of a work visa or visitor visa granted to them for the purpose of becoming a member of the crew of a fishing vessel in New Zealand waters.

#### 7 **Clause 23 amended (Must make traveller declaration at certain times)**

Replace clause 23(3) with:

- (3) The declaration must be made using the NZTD system—
  - (a) during the specified period (as specified by a Director-General notice); and
  - (b) when requested by an authorised officer.
- (3A) However, in the circumstances specified by a Director-General notice, the declaration may instead be made using an alternate system—
  - (a) during the period specified by that notice; and
  - (b) when requested by an authorised officer.
- (3B) An **alternate system** for the purposes of subclause (3A) must be an approved system for the purposes of this clause.

#### 8 **New Part 4 inserted**

After clause 59, insert:

### **Part 4**

#### **New Zealand traveller declaration system**

##### **60 New Zealand traveller declaration system**

- (1) The New Zealand traveller declaration system (the **NZTD system**) is a system that is established and administered by the chief executive and has the following features:
  - (a) features to enable the chief executive to identify which COVID-19 provisions are likely to apply to a person who travels to New Zealand before, on, and after the person's arrival in New Zealand;
  - (b) features to enable the chief executive to collect evidence of the person's compliance with the COVID-19 provisions that apply to the person;
  - (c) features to enable the person to make a traveller declaration for the purposes of clause 23(3);
  - (d) features to enable the chief executive to issue NZTD traveller passes for the purposes of clause 12.
- (2) The chief executive must issue an NZTD traveller pass, in the form that is specified by a Director-General notice, to a person who makes a traveller declaration using the NZTD system.

- (3) However, the chief executive may decline to issue an NZTD traveller pass to a person, or cancel a person's NZTD traveller pass before they enter New Zealand, if—
- (a) the person's traveller declaration does not meet the requirements of clause 23; or
  - (b) the person has not produced satisfactory evidence of compliance with a COVID-19 provision; or
  - (c) the chief executive reasonably believes that the person's traveller declaration includes information, or the person has produced evidence, that is false or misleading in any material particular.
- (4) In subclause (3)(b), evidence is **satisfactory** if it is produced in the form that is specified by a Director-General notice and confirms the details that are specified by a Director-General notice.
- (5) In this clause, **chief executive** means the chief executive of the New Zealand Customs Service.

## 9 Schedule 3 amended

- (1) In Schedule 3, item relating to New Zealand Defence Force members returning from service, replace the item in the third column with:

All COVID-19 provisions except for—

- (a) cl 12 (must have traveller pass); and
- (b) cl 23 (must make traveller declaration at certain times)

- (2) In Schedule 3, after the item relating to persons with permission to arrive for humanitarian reasons, insert:

Persons arriving for unplanned emergency reasons	Any person who arrives in New Zealand due to an unplanned landing because of an emergency, such as a mechanical fault or a deep sea rescue	cl 12 (Must have traveller pass) cl 23 (Must make traveller declaration at certain times)
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- (3) In Schedule 3, after the item relating to citizens of Afghanistan, insert:

Arrivals from Ukraine	Any person who travels to New Zealand and is an arrival from Ukraine as defined in clause 13(4)	cl 14 (must have pre-departure test for COVID-19 or be excused by certificate (unless under 2 years of age)) cl 15 (must have negative result from pre-departure test for COVID-19 (or certificate))
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## 10 Schedule 4 amended

- (1) In Schedule 4, Part 2, before the item relating to clause 13, insert:

cl 12      Must have traveller pass

- (2) In Schedule 4, Part 2, item relating to clause 23, revoke the item in the third column.

### 11 Schedule 5 amended

- (1) In Schedule 5, Part 2, before the item relating to clause 13, insert:  
cl 12 Must have traveller pass
- (2) In Schedule 5, Part 2, item relating to clause 23, revoke the item in the third column.
- (3) In Schedule 5, Part 3, before the item relating to clause 13, insert:  
cl 12 Must have traveller pass
- (4) In Schedule 5, Part 3, item relating to clause 23, revoke the item in the third column.

### 12 Schedule 6 amended

- (1) In Schedule 6, Part 2, before the item relating to clause 13, insert:  
cl 12 Must have traveller pass
- (2) In Schedule 6, Part 2, before the item relating to clause 28, insert:  
cl 23 Must make traveller declaration at certain times

### 13 Schedule 7 amended

- (1) In Schedule 7, Part 2, item relating to clause 12, revoke the item in the third column.
- (2) In Schedule 7, Part 2, item relating to clause 23, revoke the item in the third column.
- (3) In Schedule 7, Part 3, before the item relating to clause 13, insert:  
cl 12 Must have traveller pass
- (4) In Schedule 7, Part 4, before the item relating to clause 39, insert:  
*Conditions to satisfy before, on, or after arrival*  
cl 23 Must make traveller declaration at certain times      Clause 23(3)(a) and (3A) does not apply.
- (5) In Schedule 7, Part 5, before the item relating to clause 13, insert:  
cl 12 Must have traveller pass
- (6) In Schedule 7, Part 5, before the item relating to clause 28, insert:  
cl 23 Must make traveller declaration at certain times

### 14 Schedule 13 amended

- (1) In Schedule 13, Part 2, before the item relating to clause 14, insert:

cl 12	Must have traveller pass	
(2)	In Schedule 13, Part 2, before the item relating to clause 28, insert:	
cl 23	Must make traveller declaration at certain times	
(3)	In Schedule 13, Part 3, after the item relating to clause 11, insert:	
	<i>Conditions to satisfy before, on, or after arrival</i>	
cl 23	Must make traveller declaration at certain times	Clause 23(3)(a) and (3A) does not apply.

Dated at Wellington this 22nd day of March 2022.

Hon Chris Hipkins,  
Minister for COVID-19 Response.

### Explanatory note

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

This order amends the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Air Border) Order 2021 (the **Air Border Order**).

The main amendments to the Air Border Order are—

- to provide for a New Zealand traveller declaration system (the **NZTD system**) to be established and administered by the New Zealand Customs Service for the purpose of issuing NZTD traveller passes:
- to require people travelling to New Zealand to make a declaration via the NZTD system, unless permitted by a Director-General notice to use an alternate system:
- to require people travelling to New Zealand to have an NZTD traveller pass before they arrive in New Zealand, unless permitted by a Director-General notice to have an alternate traveller pass:
- to remove the requirements for arrivals from Ukraine to be vaccinated and to have a pre-departure test.

The amendments come into force as follows:

- the amendments to remove the requirements for arrivals from Ukraine to be vaccinated and to have a pre-departure test come into force at 11.59 pm on 23 March 2022:
- the amendments relating to the NZTD system come into force at 11.00 am on 25 March 2022:

- the amendments imposing new requirements on certain people to have traveller passes and make traveller declarations come into force at 11.59 pm on 31 March 2022.

*Approval by resolution required*

This order must be approved by 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 2019.  
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This order is administered by the Ministry of Health.