



Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications) Regulations (No 2) 2021

Patsy Reddy, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 20th day of September 2021

Present:

The Right Hon Jacinda Ardern presiding in Council

These regulations are made under sections 400 and 401A of the Immigration Act 2009—

- (a) on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council; and
- (b) on the recommendation of the Minister of Immigration required under section 403A of that Act and made in accordance with section 401A(4) of that Act.

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Regulations

1 Title

These regulations are the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications) Regulations (No 2) 2021.

2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on 22 September 2021.

3 Principal regulations

These regulations amend the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Regulations 2010.

4 Regulation 9A amended (Suspension of ability to apply for certain visas)

(1) Replace regulation 9A(1)(aa) with:

(aa) is in, and intends to travel from, the Cook Islands or Niue; or

(2) Revoke regulation 9A(1A).

Michael Webster,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations, which come into force on 22 September 2021, amend the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Regulations 2010 (the **principal regulations**).

Regulation 4 amends regulation 9A of the principal regulations. Regulation 9A temporarily suspends the ability of a person outside New Zealand to apply for a temporary entry class visa, but with certain exceptions.

One of the exceptions to the suspension was for any person in, and intending to travel from, a location that is or has been a COVID-19 quarantine-free travel zone. That exception is amended to apply only to any person in, and intending to travel from, the Cook Islands or Niue.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012.

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These regulations are administered by the Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment.