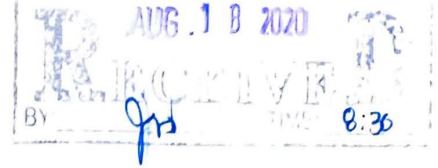




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Visa Requirement for Seafarers to South Korea

The Embassy of the Republic of Korea in the Philippines announced that the South Korean government suspended the visa-free entry of seafarers starting 24 July 2020, due to the reason of confirmed cases among seafarers who entered in Korea.

Beginning 24 July 2020, seafarers entering Korea through airplane or vessel for the purpose of joining a vessel which is anchored or to be anchored in Korea must secure a visa prior to entry.

A 10-working day period, along with the following documents, are henceforth required for the processing of entry visa:

- Visa Application Form,
- Original Passport;
- Copy of Passport bio-page;
- Proof of Seafarer Status (ex. Seaman's Book);
- Vessel's Certificate of Registry;
- Employment Contract;
- Notice of Scheduled entry and departure;
- COVID 19 related medical certificate; and
- Health Condition Report Form.

Exempted from the said suspension of visa-free requirements are travellers from the USA, Guyana, Malta, Ireland, UK, Nicaragua, Dominican Federation, Mexico, Barbados, Venezuela, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, St. Kitts and Nevis, Guam, New Caledonia, Palau, Monaco, Vatican, San Marino, Andorra, Albania and Slovenia.

Contact may be made for further questions and information regarding the announcement through email at ph Visa@mofa.go.kr

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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