

COVID-19 HANDLING TASK FORCE

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REGARDING

**HEALTH PROTOCOLS FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS ENTERING FROM THE ENTRY
POINTS IN BALI, BATAM, AND BINTAN DURING THE CORONA VIRUS DISEASE 2019
(COVID-19) PANDEMIC**

A. Background

1. Whereas to follow up on the development of the situation of the spread of the SARS-CoV-2 virus in various countries around the world and the efforts to restore the national economy, there will be a relaxation of health protocols for international travelers that are entering the Indonesian territory through Bali, Batam and Bintan.
2. Whereas the relaxation of health protocols for international travelers that are entering the Indonesian territory through Bali, Batam and Bintan will be conducted through a special mechanism, therefore it is necessary to have a special control to anticipate the spread of the SARS-CoV-2 virus.
3. Whereas based on the considerations as referred to in number 1 and number 2, it is necessary to stipulate the Circular Letter regarding Health Protocols for International Travelers Entering from the Entry Points in Bali, Batam and Bintan during the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic.

B. Purpose and Objective

The purpose of this Circular Letter is to implement health protocols for international travelers that are entering the Indonesian territory through the entry points in Bali, Batam, dan Bintan. The objective of this Circular Letter is to conduct monitoring, controlling, and evaluating the mechanism for international travelers that are entering the Indonesian territory through the

entry points in Bali, Batam, and Bintan in order to prevent an increase in the transmission of COVID-19.

C. Scope

The scope of this Circular Letter is Health Protocols for International Travelers entering the Indonesian territory through the entry points in Bali, Batam, and Bintan.

D. Legal Basis

1. Law Number 4 of 1984 regarding Outbreak of Communicable Disease;
2. Law Number 24 of 2007 regarding Disaster Management;
3. Law Number 6 of 2011 regarding Immigration;
4. Law Number 6 of 2018 regarding Health Quarantine;
5. Government Regulation Number 21 of 2008 regarding Implementation of Disaster Management;
6. Government Regulation Number 21 of 2020 regarding Large Scale Social Restriction to Accelerate the Handling of the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
7. Presidential Regulation Number 1 of 2019 regarding the National Agency for Disaster Management, as amended by Presidential Regulation Number 29 of 2021 regarding the Amendment of Presidential Regulation Number 1 of 2019 regarding the National Agency for Disaster Management;
8. Presidential Regulation Number 82 of 2020 regarding the Committee of the Handling of the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and National Economic Recovery, as amended by Presidential Regulation Number 108 of 2020 regarding the Amendment of Presidential Regulation Number 82 of 2020 regarding the Committee of the Handling of the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and National Economic Recovery;
9. Presidential Decree Number 11 of 2020 regarding the Stipulation of the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) as a Public Health Emergency;

10. Presidential Decree Number 12 of 2020 regarding the Stipulation of the Non-Natural Disaster of the Spread of the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) as a National Disaster;
11. Presidential Decree Number 24 of 2021 regarding the Stipulation of the Factual Status of the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Indonesia;
12. Minister of Law and Human Rights Regulation Number 34 of 2021 regarding the Granting of Immigration Visa and Stay Permits During the Period of Handling the Spread of Corona Virus Disease 2019 and National Economic Recovery; and
13. Result of the Decision of the Limited Cabinet Meeting dated March 7, 2022.

E. Definition

1. International Travelers (*Pelaku Perjalanan Luar Negeri* or PPLN) means Indonesian Citizens (*Warga Negara Indonesia* or WNI) or Foreign Citizens (*Warga Negara Asing* or WNA) who are conducting international travels from another country during the last 14 days.
2. International Travelers of Special Entry Point for Bali (hereinafter referred to as “PPLN for Bali”) means persons who are conducting international travels from another country during the last 14 and are entering the Indonesian territory through the international arrival entry point located in Bali.
3. International Travelers of Special Entry Point for Batam and Bintan (hereinafter referred to as “PPLN for Batam and Bintan”) means persons who are conducting international travels from another country during the last 14 days and are entering the Indonesian territory through the international arrival entry point located in Batam or Bintan.
4. Reverse-Transcriptase Polymerase Chain Reaction (hereinafter referred to as “RT-PCR”) means a type of diagnostic test which detects the genetic matter of the virus originating from a certain sample, such as *nasopharyngeal/oropharyngeal* swab test, by using the *reverse transcriptase* enzyme and *polymerase* chain reaction.

5. Rapid antigen test means a method of direct detection of viral proteins or antigens by lateral flow immunoassay in which samples are derived from *nasopharyngeal* swab test or other respiratory and oral secretions.
6. Isolation means an effort of temporarily separating persons who are sick and requires COVID-19 treatment or persons who have tested positive for COVID-19 based on diagnostic results from health persons with the aim of reducing the risk of transmission.
7. Health insurance means proof of ownership of health guarantees for the insured to reimburse any costs for the handling of COVID-19 which includes costs of treatment, surgery, and drugs.
8. Vaccine certificate means physical or digital document as a proof that a person has received a series of vaccinations.
9. Confirmed positive COVID-19 case without symptoms means persons who have been confirmed of testing positive for COVID-19 and no clinical symptoms were found.
10. Confirmed positive COVID-19 case with mild symptoms means persons who have been confirmed of testing positive for COVID-19 with mild symptoms such as fever, cough, fatigue, anorexia, short breath, myalgia, and other non-specified symptoms, without any signs of viral pneumonia or without hypoxia.
11. Confirmed positive COVID-19 case with moderate symptoms means persons who have been confirmed of testing positive for COVID-19 with clinical signs of pneumonia such as fever, cough, congestion, and quick breathing without any signs of heavy pneumonia such as oxygen saturation below 93% within room air.
12. Confirmed positive COVID-19 case with severe symptoms means persons who have been confirmed of testing positive for COVID-19 with clinical signs of pneumonia such as fever, cough, congestion, and quick breathing, accompanied by one symptom that is a breathing frequency above 30 times per minute, severe respiratory distress, or an oxygen saturation below 93% within room air.

13. Medical evacuation means an act of mobilization with medical emergency standards for persons who have been confirmed of testing positive for COVID-19 based on a RT-PCR test from an area to the referred treatment hospital.

F. Protocol

1. PPLN for Bali are able to enter the Bali region through the following entry points:
 - a. I Gusti Ngurah Rai International Airport in Denpasar, Bali; or
 - b. Tanjung Bena Harbor, Bali
2. PPLN for Batam and Bintan are able to enter the Batam region through the following entry points:
 - a. Hang Nadim International Airport in Batam, Riau Islands; or
 - b. Batam Harbor, Riau Islands
3. PPLN for Batam and Bintan are able to enter the Bintan region through the following entry points:
 - a. Raja Haji Fisabilillah International Airport in Tanjung Pinang, Riau Islands;
 - b. Bintan Harbor, Riau Islands; or
 - c. Tanjung Pinang Harbor, Riau Islands.
4. Upon arrival at the entry point, PPLN for Bali, Batam, and Bintan, are required to comply to the following provisions/conditions:
 - a. Comply with the health protocols as stipulated by the Government;
 - b. Have downloaded the *PeduliLindungi* application and have filled out e-HAC of Indonesia;
 - c. Show the card/certificate (physical or digital) stating that they have been vaccinated for a second dose of COVID-19 vaccine for a minimum of 14 (fourteen) days prior to their departure written in English other than the language of the country/region of origin of arrival, as well as being verified on the website of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Indonesia or International e-HAC of Indonesia;

- d. Show a negative result from the RT-PCR test conducted in the country/region of origin in which the sample shall be taken in the period of maximum 2 x 24 hours before the time of departure and is attached during the health screening or in the International e-HAC of Indonesia;
- e. PPLN for Bali, Batam, and Bintan, except for PPLN who are domiciled in Bali, Batam, and Bintan, are required to show proof of confirmation of booking and payment of tour packages or accommodation with the following conditions:
 - i. Proof of confirmation of booking and payment of tour packages or accommodation for a minimum of 4 (four) days in Bali for PPLN for Bali; or
 - ii. Proof of confirmation of booking and payment of tour packages in Batam and Bintan for PPLN for Batam and Bintan.
- f. PPLN for Bali, Batam, and Bintan who are domiciled in Bali, Batam, and Bintan are required to show proof of identification card or citizenship card (*Kartu Tanda Penduduk* or KTP) showing that they are domiciled in Bali, Batam, and Bintan;
- g. PPLN for Bali, Batam, dan Bintan who has a status of a Foreign Citizen are required to fulfill the following conditions:
 - i. Show a visit visa or other permit in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations; and
 - ii. Show proof of ownership of health insurance that covers the financing of handling COVID-19 and medical evacuation to a referred hospital with a minimum coverage value equivalent to SGD 20,000 or as determined by the organizer or manager.
- h. Undergo a body temperature check and a RT-PCR test upon arrival at the entry point for PPLN;
- i. After receiving a RT-PCR stamp upon arrival, PPLN for Bali, Batam, and Bintan will continue with:
 - i. the inspection of immigration documents and customs documents;
 - ii. picking up baggage and disinfecting baggage;

- iii. getting picked up and dropped off directly to the hotel, accommodation, or place of residence;
 - iv. waiting for the RT-PCR test result in the hotel room, in the accommodation room, or place of residence; and
 - v. are not allowed to leave hotel room or accommodation room before the result of the RT-PCR test shows a negative result.
- j. For PPLN who are domiciled in Bali, Batam, and Bintan and are waiting for the result of the RT-PCR test in their residence are not allowed to interact with other persons before the result of the RT-PCR test shows a negative result;
- k. With PPLN, as referred to in letter h, shows a negative result, PPLN for Bali, Batam, and Bintan can resume with their activities in accordance with the tourism package or with the established travel itinerary with the implementation of strict health protocols and are advised to conduct independent monitoring for COVID-19 symptoms for 14 days;
- l. In the event that the RT-PCR test taken upon arrival at the international arrival entry point as referred to in letter h shows a positive result, then it will be followed up with the following:
- i. if there are no symptoms or mild symptoms, isolation or treatment will be conducted at isolation hotels or a centralized isolation facility established by the government; or
 - ii. if there are moderate symptoms or severe symptoms, and/or with comorbid that cannot be controlled, isolation or treatment will be conducted at the referred COVID-19 hospital;
 - iii. undergo medical evacuation towards the referred hospital in accordance with the procedures established by the destination referred hospital; and
 - iv. isolation/treatment fees for Foreign Citizens will be self-charged, while the isolation/treatment fees for Indonesian Citizens will be borne by the government.

5. The provisions regarding the entry point for PPLN as referred to in number 1, number 2, and number 3, as well as the vaccination requirements and the RT-PCR test as referred to in number 4 will adhere and will adjust with the Circular Letter of the Task Force for Handling COVID-19 regarding Health Protocols for International Travelers during the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic and/or the Decree of the Head of Task Force for Handling COVID-19 regarding Quarantine Locations and the RT-PCR Obligations for Indonesian Citizens Traveling Internationally that are applicable.
6. PPLN for Bali, Batam, and Bintan are required to conduct a RT-PCR test during the third day of arrival in Bali, Batam, and Bintan, and then are allowed to resume with their activities with the implementation of strict health protocols after showing a negative result.
7. PPLN for Bali, Batam, and Bintan are able to depart from the Bali, Batam, and Bintan regions by adhering to the following conditions/requirements:
 - a. PPLN for Bali are able to depart the Bali region after receiving a negative RT-PCR test result as referred to in number 6 and have been in Bali for a minimum of 4 (four) days;
 - b. PPLN for Batam and Bintan are able to depart from the Batam and Bintan regions after receiving a negative RT-PCR test result as referred to in number 6;
 - c. obey health protocols and requirements of international travel in the destination country/region; and/or
 - d. obey health protocols and requirements of domestic travel in the destination area/region.
8. The implementation of an official international-scale events in Bali, Batam, and Bintan will continue to apply the bubble system with health protocols that adapts or adheres with the provisions of the Circular Letter of COVID-19 Handling Task Force regarding the Bubble System Health Protocol during the series of the G20 Meeting Events in Indonesia during the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic that applies and/or have received official approval from the Ministry/Agency in charge of the said events.

9. Strict health protocols as referred to in number 4 and number 6 must fulfill the following terms and conditions:
 - a. Use a 3-ply cloth mask or medical mask that covers the nose, mouth and chin;
 - b. Regularly change masks in every four hours, and dispose the waste mask at the designated space;
 - c. Regularly wash hands using water and soap or hand sanitizer, especially after touching an object that has been touched by other persons;
 - d. Maintain a minimum distance of 1,5-meter with other persons as well as avoiding crowd;
 - e. Not permitted to speak in one or two ways by telephone or directly throughout the trip using public transportation by land, rail, sea, river, lake, ferry, and air; and
 - f. Not permitted to eat and drink during the duration of a flight that is less than 2 hours, except for individuals who are obligated to take medicines for treatment which if not done can endanger the safety and health of said person.
10. Accommodations including hotels that are used by PPLN for Bali, Batam, and Bintan, except for PPLN who are domiciled in Bali, Batam and Bintan, are required to obtain a recommendation from the COVID-19 Handling Task Force and the Ministry of Tourism and Creative Economy, based on the recommendation from the Regional COVID-19 Handling Task Force that have satisfied the terms and conditions of the Indonesian Hotel and Restaurant Association for cleanliness, safety, and environmental sustainability (CHSE) and the Ministry in charge of health affairs for the Bali, Batam, and Bintan regions or the Provincial Office in charge of health affairs in the said region regarding the certification of COVID-19 health protocols.
11. Every PPLN for Bali, Batam, and Bintan are required use the *PeduliLindungi* application as a condition for international travel to enter the Indonesian territory.
12. Every operator of transportation mode at the entry point for international travel are required to use the *PeduliLindungi* application.

13. Every Port Health Office (*Kantor Kesehatan Pelabuhan* or KKP) at the international travel entry point will facilitate PPLN for Bali, Batam, and Bintan who require emergency medical service upon arrival in Indonesia in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations.
14. The Ministries/Agencies/Local Governments that exercise functions related to PPLN for Bali, Batam, and Bintan will follow up on this Circular Letter by issuing legal instruments that are in-line and not in contradiction with the provisions of laws and regulations;
15. The legal instrument as referred to in number 14 is an inseparable part of this Circular Letter.

G. Monitoring, Control, and Evaluation

1. The Regional COVID-19 Handling Task Force in Bali, Batam, and Bintan that is assisted by the public transportation authority shall jointly implement the control of travel of persons and safe public transportation from COVID-19 by forming an Integrated Security Post;
2. Authorities, management and implementation of public transportation assign supervision during the implementation of public transport operations;
3. Ministries/Institutions, the Indonesian National Army (*Tentara Negara Indonesia* or TNI), National Police (*Polisi Republik Indonesia* or POLRI), and Regional Government of Bali, Batam, and Bintan has the right to stop and/or conduct prohibition of travel of persons on the basis of this Circular Letter that is in-line and not in contradiction with the provisions of laws and regulations;
4. Ministries/Institutions, TNI, POLRI is assisted by the Airport and Seaport COVID-19 Handling Task Force c.q. Port Health Office of the International Airport and Seaport shall conduct routine supervision to ensure compliance of the implementation of health protocols and self-quarantine through telephone calls, video calls and field checks during this COVID-19 pandemic; and

5. Authorized agencies (Ministries/Institutions, TNI, POLRI, and the Regional Government) shall conduct disciplinary COVID-19 health protocol and law enforcement in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations.

H. Closing

1. This Circular Letter shall come into force on March 8, 2022 until a period that shall later be determined.
2. With this Circular Letter coming into force:
 - a. Circular Letter Number 8 of 2022 regarding Health Protocol Bubble System Mechanism in Bali during the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic; and
 - b. Circular Letter Number 10 of 2022 regarding Health Protocol Travel Bubble Mechanism in the Batam, Bintan, and Singapore regions during the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic:
are revoked and declared invalid.

This is so that it can be followed and carried out with full responsibility.

Stipulated in : Jakarta

Dated : March 8, 2022

Head of the National Agency for Disaster
Management as the Head of the COVID-19
Handling Task Force,

(Signed and stamped)

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Copied to:

1. President of the Republic of Indonesia;
2. Vice President of the Republic of Indonesia;
3. Head of Committee for the Policy Committee of the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and National Economic Recovery;
4. All Ministers/Heads of Institutions;
5. Commander of the Indonesian Armed Forces (TNI);
6. Head of the Police Force of the Republic of Indonesia (POLRI);
7. Head of the National Economic Recovery Task Force; and
8. Head of the Regional Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Handling Task Force.