

Exemption of persons from clause 8 of the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Air Border) Order (No 2) 2020

1. Pursuant to clause 26 of the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Air Border) Order (No 2) 2020 (“the Order”), I, Hon Chris Hipkins, Minister for COVID-19 Response, having taken into account the advice of the Director-General of Health, declare that the following persons are exempt from clause 8 of the Order:

Persons arriving in New Zealand on flight QF6015, departing Sydney, Australia between 7.59pm and 11.59pm New Zealand time on 18 April 2021 who:

- i. have not been in any country other than New Zealand or Australia in the 14 days immediately prior to their departure for New Zealand (“the relevant 14-day period”);
- ii. have not been to any area in Australia which is identified by an Australian public health authority as a COVID-19 outbreak location, during the relevant 14-day period;
- iii. have not had a positive result from a test for COVID-19 during the relevant 14-day period;
- iv. are not awaiting the results of a test for COVID-19 that they have undergone during the relevant 14-day period;
- v. are not subject to a relevant direction or advice from a suitably qualified health practitioner or official of an Australian public health authority to undergo a test for COVID-19 or isolate from others;
- vi. do not have any of the following symptoms:
 - (a) a new or worsening cough;
 - (b) a sore throat;
 - (c) shortness of breath;
 - (d) a runny nose;
 - (e) a loss of sense of smell;
 - (f) a fever; or

a suitably qualified health practitioner has certified, on the basis of the symptoms the person is experiencing, that the person should not be required to isolate or quarantine.

2. For the purposes of the exemption:
 - i. **relevant direction or advice** —
 - (a) means a direction under an Australian law; and
 - (b) includes a direction or advice from a suitably qualified health practitioner or an official of an Australian public health authority

- ii. **suitably qualified health practitioner** includes a person who is registered or licensed in Australia as a health professional equivalent to a suitably qualified health practitioner
 - iii. **official of an Australian public health authority** includes a person who is engaged by an Australian public health authority
3. The exemption will begin at 7.59pm on 18 April 2021.
 4. The exemption expires at 11.59pm on 18 April 2021.

Dated at Wellington this 16th day of April 2021



Hon Chris Hipkins

Minister for COVID-19 Response