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IMMIGRATION ACT 2012

(No. 3 of 2012)

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I, Hon. Fredrick Kologeto, Minister for Commerce, Industry, Labour and Immigration, under section 93 of the *Immigration Act 2012*, make the following Regulations:

1 Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the *Immigration (Amendment)(No. 2) Regulations 2022*.

2 Commencement

These Regulations commence on the day appointed by the Minister by notice published in the *Gazette*.

3 Amendment of Immigration Regulations

These Regulations amend the *Immigration Regulations 2013* (Legal Notice No. 110 of 2013) (“*Principal Regulations*”).

4 Regulation 5B amended

Regulation 5B of the *Principal Regulations* is amended:

- (a) by omitting from subregulation (1) the definition of “*RAT test*”; and
- (b) by omitting from subregulation (2) “, a RAT test”.

5 Regulation 5C repealed and replaced

The *Principal Regulations* are amended by repealing regulation 5C and substituting:

“5C. COVID-19 vaccination entry requirements for non-citizens

Subject to regulation 5D, prescribed entry requirements for a person arriving in Solomon Islands, who is not a Solomon Islands citizen and who has attained the age of 12 years of age, are that the person must:

- (a) be vaccinated against COVID-19; and
- (b) have a vaccination certificate; and
- (c) present the vaccination certificate to an immigration officer on arriving in Solomon Islands.”.

6 New regulation 5CA

The Principal Act is amended by inserting after regulation 5C:

“5CA. COVID-19 entry requirements for Solomon Islands citizens who are not vaccinated against COVID-19

Subject to regulation 5D, prescribed entry requirements for a Solomon Islands citizen arriving in Solomon Islands, who has attained the age of 12 years of age and who is not vaccinated against COVID-19, are that the Solomon Islands citizen must:

- (a) have been tested for COVID-19 once by a PCR test within either:
 - (i) the 72-hour period immediately before the Solomon Islands citizen enters Solomon Islands, and must have tested non-infectious for COVID-19 for the test; or
 - (ii) the longer period determined by the Ministry of Health and Medical Services on grounds relating to the circumstances of the Solomon Islands citizen’s travel to Solomon Islands and notified to the citizen at least 14 days before the citizen begins travelling to Solomon Islands, and must have tested non-infectious for COVID-19 for the test; and
- (b) present documentary evidence that the Solomon Islands citizen tested non-infectious for COVID-19 for the test to an immigration officer on arriving in Solomon Islands.”.

Made this eleventh-day of October 2022.

HON. FREDRICK KOLOGETO

MINISTER FOR COMMERCE, INDUSTRY, LABOUR AND IMMIGRATION