



Phuket Announcement

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Title : Measures on access through Phuket Checkpoints (Chatchai Checkpoint)

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On March 29, 2020, the Governor of Phuket Province together with the decision of Committee of Communicable Disease of Phuket Province according to announcement no. 11/2020 have elevated the level taken to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and hereby announce that the access check point at Chatchai is hereby closed with effect from 00.01 hrs. March 30, 2020 – April 30, 2020 or until further notice.

In order to raise the standard of effective monitoring, prevention and control of the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), the Governor of Phuket Province together with the decision of Committee of Communicable Disease of Phuket Province meeting session no. 12/2563 of the Committee of Communicable Disease of Phuket dated March 31, 2020, and in accordance with article 35 (1) of the Communicable Disease Act, B.E. 2558 (2015), and article 7 (1) section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in an Emergency Situation, B.E. 2548 (2005) (version 1) **the Governor of Phuket Province thereby mandates additional measures for access via Chatchai checkpoint as follows:**

1. The following vehicles will be considered for entrance-exit:

- (1) All vehicles transporting agricultural and consumables, livestock and animal feed.
- (2) Cooking gas and fuel
- (3) Equipment, materials, spare parts, products used in repair of communications, energy, vehicles, air transport, agriculture etc with the exception of industrial waste which will only be permitted to be removed from Phuket Province.
- (4) Transportation of money from/to banks and financial institutions.
- (5) Transportation of building materials, machinery and spare parts for maintenance.
- (6) Transportation of pharmaceuticals, equipment and chemicals for medicinal purposes.
- (7) Medical and Rescue emergency vehicles.
- (8) Transportation of parcels and printed material.
- (9) Government Officials carrying out official orders within and outside Phuket Province.
- (10) Other types of transportation necessary for the livelihood of people will be considered by the Team Chief according to item 5.

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The Transport Company as per no. 1 must provide details of the cargo to the Department of Commerce in Phuket in order that a delivery slip may be issued to pass through the checkpoints.

2. Person who will be considered for permission to enter Phuket Province are as follows:

(1) Residents of Phuket Province who wish to enter the Province of Phuket and remain until April 30, 2020

(2) Employees/drivers of vehicles according to No. 1

(3) Persons who are resident in other provinces but work in Phuket Province who do not wish to leave Phuket prior to April 30, 2020.

(4) Persons who are on urgent official Government business in Phuket Province.

(5) Emergency patients who have a Medical Certificate from a hospital.

(6) Persons who have a doctor's appointment and the doctor warrants that the appointment cannot be postponed without causing danger to the patients.

(7) Persons who are to take part in a Court Case with evidence to show that any delay will cause severe damage to the aforementioned case.

3. Persons who will be considered for permission to exit Phuket Province are as follows:

(1) Residents of other provinces who wish to return home.

(2) Persons who live in and outside of Phuket Province but will not return to Phuket within 30 April, 2020.

(3) Persons who are on urgent official Government business outside Phuket Province.

(4) Persons who have a doctor's appointment and the doctor warrants that the appointment cannot be postponed without causing danger to the patients.

(5) Persons who are to take part in a Court Case with evidence to show that any delay will cause severe damage to the aforementioned case.

4. Persons mentioned in No. 2 and No. 3 must have a medical certificate issued within 72 hours prior to travel to indicate that they are in good health and able to travel. Furthermore, they must also strictly follow protocols as set by the Government. If any person refuses to be inspected or is suspected of having contracted COVID-19, the Government Official in charge of the checkpoint has the authority to prevent that person from entering-exiting Phuket Province.

5. If in a situation whereby a decision must be made on permitting a vehicle or person to enter-exit the Province according to Item 1 and 2, the Government Official in charge of the Checkpoint has the authority to make the decision on a case by case basis.

6. The Centre for Control of the Spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Chatchai Checkpoint will be under the charge of the Official and deputy Official authorized by the Head of the District according to Order no. 1368/2563 dated 24 March, 2020

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under the supervision of the Director of the Centre of Prevention of the Spread of Communicable Diseases of Phuket, the Deputy Governor of Phuket and the Deputy Director of the Centre and the Central District Officer. In the case of any emergencies, the committee will present the case to the administrative persons for consideration.

Effective from April 1, 2020 until 30 April, 2020 or until otherwise announced.

Announced on April 1, 2020



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