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| Date Range | 24th June- 01st July | |
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Brief Summary of Major Changes:

Restrictions are eased in many countries. New Zealanders continue to enjoy normal life at Alert Level 1, which was announced at the start of June. Singapore entered Phase 2 of reopening on June 19th, with bars, restaurants, retail, and some levels of schooling reopening, in accordance with social distancing requirements. Papua New Guinea also permitted nightclubs and gambling venues to reopen from June 23rd. Some international travel bans were eased in Taiwan and Vietnam, allowing some business travel from certain countries.

Regional lockdowns remain in order to target outbreaks. In China, Lockdown measures were introduced in Hebei province which surrounds Beijing on June 29th. Residents there can only leave their homes once a day with a special pass. In the Philippines too, regional lockdowns remain in a number of districts around Manila.

| C1: School Closing | CHN: A local outbreak in Beijing in mid June led to the closure of schools in many districts. SGP: As of June 19th Singapore entered Phase 2, children are back in schools THA: Schools with under 120 students are allowed to return from June 15th as lockdown is eased |
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| C2: Workplace Closing | PNG: Licensed nightclubs, bookmakers and gambling venues may only operate on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from June 23rd SGP: As of June 19th Singapore entered Phase 2, and dine-in restaurants and retail outlets reopen |
| C3: Cancel Public Events | CHN: Public gatherings banned in Beijing MAC: Public events can resume as of June 26th |
| C4: Restrictions on Gatherings | HKG: Gatherings of 50 people permitted, up from previous 8 MMR: Extends ban of gatherings of more than five people. PNG: Ban of over 100 people SGP: From June 19, private gatherings of up to 5 people are allowed inside households. Up to 20 people may attend wakes and weddings held outside the household. |
| C5: Close Public Transport | |
| C6: Stay at Home requirements | CHN: Lockdown measures in Hebei province on June 29th surrounding Beijing, people can only leave their homes once a day with a special pass PHL: Lockdown was reinstated in Cebu city in mid June, and quarantine restrictions remain in place in Manila as infections spike SGP: As of June 19th Singapore entered Phase 2, no measures in |



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| | place to stay at home |
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| C7: Restrictions on Internal movement | PNG: Lifts roadblocks and bans on internal movement on June 23rd SGP: As of June 19th Singapore entered Phase 2, no measures in place to stay at home or restrict internal movement |
| C8: International Travel Controls | GUM: New quarantine requirements require a negative PCR test from those entering from high risk areas LAO: People entering Laos will be sent to quarantine centres for 14 days upon arrival TLS: On June 18 it was ruled that drivers of trucks transporting traded goods must change at the border TWN: From June 22, short-term business travelers are allowed entry and can apply for a shortened home quarantine period VNM: Travel permitted with Japan |
| H2: Testing Policy | JPN: Develops a PCR test using saliva |
| H3: Contact Tracing | GUM: Testing is free and open to the public while supplies last. No symptoms are needed to qualify for testing. |



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