ONLINE VISA APPLICATION SYSTEM

The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles informs that public that all Temporary Visitor Visa (9(a)) applications will be processed via the Department of Foreign Affairs' Online Visa Application System (OVAS). Concerned visa applicants must, therefore, lodge their application through the ff link:

https://www.visa.gov.ph

OVAS applicants will receive a confirmation email with an Applicant Reference Number (ARN). Applicants must forward this email to the OVAS unit of the Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles: lapcg.ovas@gmail.com for further instructions on: (1) submission of additional documentary requirements, (2) payment of the visa fee, etc.

Given the current pandemic-related Philippine regulations on entry, only the following foreign nationals may apply for a 9(a) Temporary Visitor Visa:

1. Foreign spouses of Filipino nationals;
2. Foreign parents of minor Filipinos and of Filipino children with special needs;
3. Foreign minor children and foreign children with special needs of Filipinos;
4. Other foreign nationals as authorized by the Department of Foreign Affairs (with an Entry Exemption Document or EED).

Other Conditions

- Only single-entry applications will be considered. Multiple-entry visa applications will automatically be rejected;
- Applications filed through OVAS or the email confirmation with ARN do NOT constitute an approved visa. Applicants must still courier their passport, visa fee payments and other supporting documents to the Consulate General after receiving further instructions through email;
- Applications received that were not lodged through OVAS will immediately be rejected and returned to sender.

BALIKBAYAN PRIVILEGE

The Consulate General reminds the public that the foreign national spouse and/or child of a Filipino citizen may enter the Philippines visa free as long as they are traveling with the Filipino citizen, and they are nationals of EO 408 countries. The United States is included in this list. Please consult the Bureau of Immigration website for further clarification.

For questions about your OVAS application, please email: lapcg.ovas@gmail.com
For other visa types (9g, diplomatic visa, etc.) please email: visa_pcgla@earthlink.net