



## Cook Islands Immigration Amendment Regulations 2026

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King's Representative

### Order in Executive Council

At Avarua, Rarotonga this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2026

Present:

### His Excellency the King's Representative in Executive Council

Pursuant to section 227 of the Cook Islands Immigration Act 2021, His Excellency the King's Representative, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations—

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#### Regulations

- Title**  
These regulations are the Cook Islands Immigration Amendment Regulations 2026.
- Commencement**  
These regulations come into force on the day after the date on which they are made.
- Principal regulations**  
These regulations amend the Cook Islands Immigration Regulations 2023.

4 **New regulation 33A inserted (Procedural requirements for requesting updated information)**

After regulation 33, insert:

**“33A Procedural requirements for requesting updated information**

- “(1) This regulation applies to a person who was granted honorary permanent residence status or permanent residence status under either the Entry, Residence, and Departure Act 1971-72 or the Act.
- “(2) The principal immigration officer may—
- “(a) contact the person directly and invite them to provide updated information to the Department (*see* sections 31A and 48A of the Act); or
- “(b) if the person cannot reasonably be contacted directly, publish a notice that identifies them and inviting them to contact the Department and provide that information.
- “(3) A notice under subclause (2)(b) must be published—
- “(a) in a newspaper circulating in the Cook Islands at least 3 times within a period of 20 working days; and
- “(b) by at least 1 other method that is readily accessible by the public (for example on an Internet site maintained by or on behalf of the Department).”

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**Clerk of the Executive Council**

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These regulations are administered by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration.

These regulations were made on the 03 day of February 2026.