



FOR ALL INBOUND TOURISTS

ALL inbound tourists to Maldives should hold a negative result for a nucleic acid test (PCR test) for COVID- 19 prior to entry into the Maldives, including those who have completed the prescribed dose(s) of Covid-19 vaccines and recovered from Covid-19. The sample for the PCR test must be taken at most 72 (seventy-two) hours before departure from the first embarkation point.

Furthermore, the following measures are to be ensured **effective from 26th July 2021** for ALL inbound tourists while check-in to Tourist Guesthouses in Local Islands.

- 1) To strictly ensure that the tourists (excluding children and infants who are not eligible for vaccination) have completed the recommended dose(s) of a Covid-19 Vaccine (approved by the World Health Organization Emergency Use Listing (EUL) or the Maldives Food and Drug Authority and at least 14 (fourteen) days have passed after the recommended doses(s) before the check-in to Tourist Guesthouses in local islands.

However, those tourists who have not completed the recommended dose(s) of a Covid-19 Vaccine shall be accommodated in Tourist Guesthouses in local islands upon fulfillment of below criteria by the Tourist Guesthouse island;

- (a) At least 60% of the Tourist Guesthouse island population eligible for vaccination have completed and 14 (fourteen) days have passed after the recommended dose(s) of a Covid-19 Vaccine.
 - (b) At least 95% of staff in ALL tourist facilities of the Tourist Guesthouse island have completed and 14 (fourteen) days have passed after the recommended dose(s) of a Covid-19 Vaccine.
 - (c) At least 90% of resident population of the Tourist Guesthouse island who are 65 years & above, have completed and 14 (fourteen) days have passed after the recommended dose(s) of a Covid-19 Vaccine.
- 2) Should hold a negative result for a nucleic acid test (PCR test) for COVID- 19, within 72 (seventy-two) hours prior to check-out from the respective Tourist Guesthouses in local islands.

Please note that ALL the above eases and measures may be subject to change upon assessing the Covid-19 situation in the respective country.

As always, we take this opportunity to thank all tourist facilities for the support & cooperation extended to us at all times. For further clarification, please contact our Situation Monitoring Unit (SMU) on (+960) 9423131 or email us at smu@tourism.gov.mv .

Yours sincerely,

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