



MINISTRY OF TOURISM
REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES

C I R C U L A R

Ref Number: 88-PS/CIR/2022/12

Date: 04th March 2022

To: All Tourist Facilities

Subject: **Revised PCR Test requirement**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Reference is made to the **Announcement Number (IUL) 23/452/2022/6** published on the Government of Maldives Gazette by the Health Protection Agency (HPA) on **04th March 2022**. Effective **05th March 2022**, it has been decided to revise the PCR test requirement as below;

- a) Passengers entering to Maldives are **NO LONGER** required to present a PCR negative test result upon **arrival if the individual(s) have completed the prescribed dose(s) of a Covid-19 vaccine** that is being approved by the Maldives Food & Drug Authority or by the World Health Organization (WHO) Emergency Use Listing (EUL) and at least 14 (fourteen) days have passed since. ***(Booster dose(s) are not required to be eligible for this exemption)***.
- b) Tourists who spend their holiday in tourist facilities in inhabited islands are **NO LONGER** required to do a PCR test when departing from respective inhabited islands.

However, Work Permit Holders and Maldivians are required to do a PCR test for Covid-19 between 3-5 days of arrival to Maldives. Additionally, children (above one year) who are not eligible for vaccination and individual(s) who have not completed the prescribed dose(s) of a Covid-19 vaccine, will still be required to present a negative PCR upon arrival to Maldives, for which the sample for the PCR is taken at most 96 (ninety-six) hours before the departure from the first port of embarkation.

For any assistance in this regard, please contact our Situation Monitoring Unit (SMU) on (+960) 9423131 or email us at smu@tourism.gov.mv .

Yours sincerely,

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