

India to Maldives

Conditions / Requirement for passengers travelling to Male as of 28th July 2021

- Negative RT-PCR certificate from an ICMR-approved lab or a certified lab on <https://www.icmr.gov.in/>, issued no more than 96 hr before departure of the last direct flight to Malé (96 hr counted from swab collection), in English and in print or electronic form (handwritten certificates not permitted).
- Tourist accommodation upon full vaccination by WHO/Maldives Food and Drug Authority approved vaccines and 14 days completed after 2nd dose. OR

Tourist accommodation only where at least 60% island guesthouse population is fully vaccinated, 95% guesthouse staff has completed 14 days after final vaccination, 90% elderly resident island population has completed 14 days after final vaccination.

Guidelines for passengers travelling to Male as of 12th July 2021

1) Nucleic test (PCR report):

All passengers, including those who have completed their Covid-19 vaccination, must carry their negative reports for the Nucleic test (PCR report) for arrival into Maldives, test for which should have been taken within 72 hrs prior to arrival.

Children below the age of 1 year are exempted to carry the test report. The RT-PCR report must contain the name of the passengers as per the passport, name and address of the testing laboratory, type of test, date of sample collection along with the result.

2) Following categories of passengers are permitted to enter into Maldives:

- a. All tourists
- b. Special visa holders
- c. Business visa holders
- d. Foreign diplomats and their accompanying family members
- e. Crew of ships who arrive by air to sign onto a ship
- f. Maldivian nationals, Resident permits and work visa holders
- g. Expatriates travelling to Maldives (must hold a valid visa issued by the Maldives Immigration).

3) Tourists:

- a. Tourists travelling to Maldives will be provided a visa on arrival. They must have a confirmed hotel reservation for the entire stay in a registered tourist facility.

- b. Till July 30, 2021, tourists shall not be permitted to check into the hotels/guest houses in the residential or inhabitant islands
- c. Issuances of tourist visa to tourists travelling from the South Asian countries (i.e. Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka) will resume with effect from July 15, 2021.

4) Quarantine:

- a. The following categories of passengers are required to undergo mandatory home quarantine for 14 days at their place of residence or work. Such passengers will also be required to obtain a negative Covid-19 PCR test report before getting released from home quarantine.
 - I. Special visa holders whose duration of stay in Maldives will be more than 7 day
 - II. Business visa holders whose duration of stay in Maldives will be more than 7 days
 - III. Foreign diplomats and their accompanying family members
 - IV. Maldivian citizens and Work visa holders (Employment visa)
 - V. The quarantine period will be reduced to 7 days for passengers who have completed the recommended dose(s) of a Covid-19 vaccine as approved by the World Health Organization Emergency Use Listing (EUL) or the Maldives Food and Drug Authority or any other competent authority of the respective State (like ICMR in India) and at least 14 days have passed after the recommended doses(s). Such passengers must obtain a negative Covid-19 PCR test report before they are released from quarantine.

5) Work Visa holders:

- a. Passengers with work visa must apply for a pre-approval to travel to Maldives, by email to arrivals.heoc@health.gov.mv and copied to airport@immigration.gov.mv . They shall book a government designated quarantine facility/hotel without which they would not be permitted to travel to Maldives from India.
- b. Work visa holders and their dependents travelling to Maldives from the South Asian countries will be required to undergo mandatory quarantine for 14 days in a facility designated by the Health Protection Agency (HPA).
- c. Work Visa holders must obtain a confirmation of their reservation at the designated quarantine facility prior to their travel to Maldives. They would also be required to undergo a self paid RT-PCR test between 48 hrs and 72 hrs after their arrival into Maldives before they get released from quarantine.

6) Maldivian citizens, other visa holders (except work visa) and their dependents travelling to Maldives will be required to undergo a mandatory home quarantine for 14 days at their home or place of work. They would also be required to undergo a self paid RT-PCR test between 48 hrs and 72 hrs after their arrival into Maldives before they get released from quarantine.

7) **Traveler Health Declaration:** It is mandatory for all arriving passengers to submit the online Traveler Health Declaration available on the Maldives Immigration website portal <https://imuga.immigration.gov.mv/> at least 24 hours prior to departure and obtain a verifiable QR code, which would be verified by the Immigration Authorities

8) Passengers must follow all Covid-19 health protocols/appropriate behavior at departure, on-board the aircraft and on arrival at all times.

Maldives to India

Guidelines for passengers travelling to India as of 12th July 2021

1. Passengers must abide by all the health requirements of their destination country.
2. Tourists returning to India after their stay in Maldives must obtain a departure PCR test report; test for which should have been taken not more 72 hrs prior to departure from Maldives.
3. All passengers must submit the online Traveler Health Declaration for departure available on the Maldives Immigration website portal <https://imuga.immigration.gov.mv/> only within 24 hours prior to departure.
4. In case, any passenger experiences any Covid-19 symptom on and/or after arrival, they must report the same at the Covid hotline 1676