

MALDIVES CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY Republic of Maldives

AIR TRANSPORT CIRCULAR AT 09/2020

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AGAINST NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

14th March 2020

1.0 Introduction

On 30th January 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared China's novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak a public health emergency of international concern (PHEIC).

In response to the outbreak of COVID-19, Government of the Maldives is implementing additional measures at all international airports to further minimise the risk of import and community spread of COVID-19 in the Maldives.

2.0 Purpose

2.1 The purpose of this Circular is to advise the airlines, aircraft operators and the relevant airport authorities on the measures taken by the Government of the Maldives relating to the entry of passengers and crew with a travel history to Mainland China, Iran, the South Korean regions of North Gyeongsang Province and South Gyeongsang Province, Italy, Bangladesh, Spain, Île-de-France and Grand Est Regions of France, Bavaria, North Rhine Westphalia and Baden-Wuerttemberg regions of Germany, to minimise the risk of spread of COVID-19 in the Maldives.

3.0 Requirement

- 3.1 Subject to 3.2, all passengers and crew with travel history to the following countries or regions within the last 14 days will not be allowed to enter or to transit through the Maldives as per below effective dates:
 - Mainland China, effective 04th February 20201
 - Iran, effective 26th February 20202
 - South Korean regions of North Gyeongsang Province and South Gyeongsang Province effective 03rd
 March 2020³
 - Italy, effective 08th March 20204
 - Bangladesh, effective from 10th March 2020 to 24th March 2020⁵
 - Spain, effective from 15th March 2020
 - Île-de-France and Grand Est, of France effective from 15th March 2020
 - Bavaria, North Rhine Westphalia and Baden-Wuerttemberg regions of Germany, effective from 15th
 March 2020



¹ Brought into effect by AT 04/2020 dated 3rd February 2020

² Brought into effect by AT 05/2020 dated 27th February 2020

³ Brought into effect by AT 06/2020 dated 03rd March 2020

⁴ Brought into effect by AT 07/2020 dated 07th March 2020

⁵ Brought into effect by AT 08/2020 dated 09th March 2020

- 3.2 The following category of nationals originating from and transiting through the aforementioned countries or regions will be permitted entry.
 - Maldivian Nationals
 - Spouses of Maldivian nationals
- 3.3 All passengers and crew arriving to the Maldives shall complete the Health Declaration Card as stated in the Air Transport Circular AT 02/2020 dated 02nd February 2020.
- 3.4 Airlines should take all reasonable measures to ensure that all passengers and crew complete the Health Declaration Card and the Immigration Arrival Card before their flight lands in the Maldives, in order to ensure that the services offered are in no way diminished, delayed, deteriorated in manner or timeliness.
- 4.0 Applicability
- 4.1 The requirements in this Circular applies to all international airlines, aircraft operators operating to and from Maldives and relevant airport authorities in the Maldives.
- 5.0 Effectivity
- 5.1 This Circular supersedes Air Transport Circular AT 08/2020 dated 09th March 2020, and will come into effect from 15th March 2020. The Circular will remain inforce until rescinded or superseded.

