



MINISTRY OF TOURISM
REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES

C I R C U L A R

Ref Number: 88-IIHR/CIR/2020/69
Date: 01 October 2020
To: All Tourist Resorts, Hotels, Vessels and Developing Islands
Subject: **Procedures for Staff Travel Movements Between the Local Islands and Tourist Facilities**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Reference is made to the Guidelines and Revisions of “**Public Health Interventions to Prevent Covid-19 Transmission in the Tourism Sector**” published by the Health Protection Agency (HPA).

To ease the process of staff, travel movements between inter-tourist facilities, local islands and tourist facilities, please note the below areas has been revised in accordance with the referred guidelines and instructions by the HPA.

1. **Staff Travel Between the Tourist Facility and Inhabited Islands**
2. **Staff Travel Between Operational Inter-Tourist Facilities**
- 3A. **Short Term Workers Who Are Hired for a Specific Work (3 Days)**
- 3B. **Short Term Workers Who Are Hired for a Specific Work (3 months)**
4. **Owners/Owner’s Representatives (Families)/Management**
5. **Staff to Travel to Tourist Facility for Employment**

Hence, tourist facilities are requested to follow the attached procedures for each category mentioned above in addition to the tourism sector guidelines published by HPA. Kindly proceed with the relevant procedures in getting travel permits accordingly.

Please note that request **forms must be submitted 5 working days prior to the travelling date, and individuals must travel only when the requests are approved and informed by the Ministry**. Please find attached the request form and procedures forwarded with this circular.

Please always adhere to the procedures and guidelines announced by the Ministry and HPA. For any queries please contact our hotline at 7223131 and forward the request forms to ihr@tourism.gov.mv or smu@tourism.gov.mv.

We thank you all for your continued support and cooperation during this challenging time.

Sincerely,

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