

Technical notice

COVID-19 - Testing and Self-Isolation Requirements for Entry into Gibraltar

Date: 11th March 2021

1. Entry requirements

Applicable Regulations: <u>Civil Contingencies Emergency (Coronavirus) (Temporary Restrictions on Entry into Gibraltar and Testing) (No.4) Regulations 2021</u>. Regulation 5 refers.

Summary: Entry requirements for travel by air into Gibraltar from the United Kingdom is covered under <u>Press Release 921/2020</u>. The following passengers will be permitted to disembark:

- Individuals who are registered Gibraltarians, either by birth or naturalisation;
- Individuals with residence in Gibraltar, upon demonstrating satisfactory proof of residence;
- Sea farer on transit to a vessel which is berthed at Gibraltar and has immigration pre clearance letter issued by the Borders and Coastguards Agency;
- Spanish nationals who are in transit to Spain;
- Individuals travelling to Gibraltar on transit to Spain and who hold lawful residence in Spain, upon demonstrating satisfactory proof of residence;
- People who are carrying out a work activity in Gibraltar or who are taking up employment in Gibraltar and who provide proof on arrival;
- Military personnel who have been issued with Travel Orders;
- Individuals who hold an electronic letter issued by the Borders and Coastguard Agency granting that individual permission to enter Gibraltar.

2. Passenger Locator Form

Applicable Regulations: Civil Contingencies Emergency (Coronavirus) (Passenger Locator Form) (No.7) Regulations 2021.

Summary: The requirement to complete a Passenger Locator Form is covered under <u>Press Release</u> 649/2020. <u>All</u> air passengers are required to complete the passenger locator form by visiting: <u>www.passengers.egov.gi</u>.

3. Arrivals by air from the UK



Applicable Regulations: <u>Civil Contingencies Emergency (Coronavirus) (Temporary Restrictions on Entry into Gibraltar and Testing) (No.4) Regulations 2021</u>. Regulation 6 refers.

Summary:

- On arrival, you must either:
 - undergo a COVID-19 test (see <u>www.covidrapidtest.gi</u>) within 24 hours of your arrival: or
 - o provide a negative COVID-19 PCR test result on your arrival. PCR must be taken within 72 hours from your arrival in Gibraltar.
- If remaining in Gibraltar for 5 days after your arrival, you must undergo an additional test at Day 5 of your arrival (see www.covidrapidtest.gi to book your test).
- If you develop symptoms or feel unwell call 111 immediately even if you have been swabbed.
- If any COVID-19 test proves positive, the Contact Tracing Bureau will issue you with further instructions.

Applicability:

Paragraph 3 does not apply to you if you have visited a 'Relevant Area' or a country, territory or area listed in the Schedule (also known as a High Risk Area). If you have been to a Relevant Area or High Risk Area in the 14 days preceding your arrival in Gibraltar, you will be required to follow the guidance at paragraph 4 or paragraph 5 respectively.

4. Arrivals from Relevant Area in the 14-day period preceding entry into Gibraltar

Applicable Regulations: <u>Civil Contingencies Emergency</u> (<u>Coronavirus Infection Risks Mitigation and Control Measures No.11) Regulations 2021.</u>

Summary: Self-isolation and testing requirements for travelers from 'Relevant Areas' are covered under <u>Press Release 653/2020</u>. Any person who has been to a 'Relevant Area' in the 14 days preceding their arrival in Gibraltar will be required to adhere to the following:

- You must report the fact that you have been to a relevant area to an officer of the Borders and Coastguard Agency
- You will be required to self-isolate for 5 days and will be swabbed on Day 1 and Day 5. You must remain self-isolating until the second test is conducted and you are advised that the self-isolation is no longer required. If you are staying in a hotel, you must remain in your room and not use any of the public areas.
- Do not use public transportation with the exception of a Gibraltar Taxi booked via the Gibraltar Taxi Association Tel: 20070027 / email: taxiassociation@gibtelecom.net You are required to inform them that you have arrived from a 'Relevant Area'. Call 111 (or 20072266 and asked to be transferred to 111) as soon as you reach the address where you will be isolating.
- You should expect to be contacted regularly by GHA personnel during your isolation period to ensure the isolation is being complied with.
- If you develop symptoms or feel unwell call 111 immediately even if you have been swabbed.



- If you are not registered with the Gibraltar Health Authority(GHA) you can email any of the clinics listed in <u>Press Release 653/2020</u> to arrange a private swab. You must consent to the clinic advising 111 of your result.
- If any COVID-19 test proves positive, the Contact Tracing Bureau will issue you with further instructions.

Applicability: Paragraph 4 does not apply to you if you have visited a country, territory or area listed in the Schedule. If you have been to a High Risk Area you must follow the guidance at paragraph 5 below.

5. Arrivals from a Country, Territory or Area listed in the Schedule (High Risk Area) in the 14-day period preceding entry into Gibraltar

Applicable Regulations: <u>Civil Contingencies Emergency (Coronavirus) (Temporary Restrictions on Entry into Gibraltar and Testing) (No.4) Regulations 2021</u>. Regulation 7 refers.

Summary:

Any person entering Gibraltar after being in a country, area or territory listed in the Schedule (also referred to 'High Risk' area) will be required to adhere to the following:

- You must report the fact that you have been to a country listed in the Schedule to an officer of the Borders and Coastguard Agency
- You will be required to self-isolate for 14 days and will be swabbed on Day 1 and Day 14. You
 must remain self-isolating until the second test is conducted and you are advised that the
 self-isolation is no longer required. If you are staying in a hotel, you must remain in your room
 and not use any of the public areas.
- If you are not registered with the Gibraltar Health Authority (GHA) you will be charged for the test.
- Do not use public transportation with the exception of a Gibraltar Taxi booked via the Gibraltar Taxi Association Tel: 20070027 / email: taxiassociation@gibtelecom.net You are required to inform them that you have arrived from a country listed in the Schedule.
- Call 111 (or 20072266 and asked to be transferred to 111) as soon as you reach the address where you will be isolating.
- You should expect to be contacted regularly by GHA personnel during your isolation period to ensure the isolation is being complied with.
- If you develop symptoms or feel unwell call 111 immediately even if you have been swabbed.
- If any COVID-19 test proves positive, the Contact Tracing Bureau will issue you with further instructions.

6. Instructions applicable to Seafarers

Applicable Instructions. Gibraltar Port Authority – Port Circular 20 of 2020 (Version 7.02)



Applicability: In the event that the seafarer has been to a High Risk Area in the 14 days preceding their arrival to Gibraltar, special measures will apply in accordance with paragraph 5 above.

7. Civil Contingencies Emergency (Coronavirus) Regulations.

Note that Emergency regulations lapse at the end of the period of 30 days beginning with the date on which they are made or at such time as may be specified in the regulations. It is the individual's responsibility to ensure that they follow the most up to date regulations. Latest regulations can be accessed by visiting: https://www.gibraltarlaws.gov.gi.

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