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ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA TRAVEL ADVISORY

The Government of Antigua and Barbuda has opened its borders in a phased approach effective June 1, 2020. The V.C. Bird International Airport will begin accepting international and regional air traffic. The Antigua Port Authority is opened to Cargo Vessels, Pleasure Craft and Ferry Services which are required to follow all health guidelines issued by Port Health.

During this period, the State will be working on a combination of screening, testing, monitoring and other measures to mitigate the risk of importing any new cases of COVID-19 into the country. Additionally, the State is also implementing measures for the quick detection of any imported cases. This strategy is intended to protect and safeguard the health of both residents and visitors to Antigua and Barbuda.

During Phase 1, several protocols will be implemented as follows:

- All hospitality accommodations to include hotels, resorts, villas and home rentals must satisfy the stipulations of the **Ministry of Health Wellness and the Environment** and be certified prior to reopening to welcome visitors.

- All arriving passengers must have a mask in their possession for use on disembarkation, which must be worn in all public areas throughout the duration of their stay in Antigua and Barbuda.
- All arriving passengers must complete a Health Declaration Form and will be subjected to screening and temperature checks by Port Health Authorities upon arrival in Antigua and Barbuda.
- All arriving passengers will be monitored for COVID-19 in accordance with guidelines of the Quarantine Authority and may undergo a rapid antigen test on arrival or at the hotel of lodging **as determined by the Health Authorities.**
- **All returning nationals will be required to go to a hotel designated by the quarantine authority as a bio secure space for a period of 14 days and will be required to pay a small fee to defray the cost of accommodation. However, returning students will be exempted from payment.**
- **Arriving passengers with symptoms of COVID-19 may be isolated as determined by the Health Authorities.**
- **Transiting passengers/Crew members who require an overnight stay will be required to proceed to a government designated bio space/hotel to await departure.**
- **Passengers arriving by sailing craft (private yachts/Ferry Services) are subject to the guidelines issued by Port Health.**
- **All Marine Pleasure Craft and Ferry Services will enter ONLY at the Nevis Street Pier.**
- **All ground transportation operators will be required to be certified and trained prior to the implementation of new sanitation and social distancing passenger transportation protocols.**
- Flight organizers are required to provide advance passenger information of **all** scheduled arrivals.

Military Vessels/Aircraft and other Watercraft transporting food, medical supplies, humanitarian and emergency supplies will be required to follow the Quarantine Guidelines established by the

Quarantine Authority as well as issued by Port Health **and** must give prior notification before arrival.

These restrictions for maritime traffic, and the consequential Antigua Port Authority guidelines, issued during the State of Emergency, shall not restrict vessels engaged in *innocent passage* and/or *transit passage*, within the territorial seas and/or archipelagic waters of Antigua and Barbuda, under the 1982 United Nations Convention on Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).

This Travel Advisory replaces ALL previous Travel Advisories issued by the Government of Antigua and Barbuda.



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