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BARBADOS' NEW COVID-19 TRAVEL PROTOCOLS TAKE EFFECT

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The Government of Barbados has updated its travel protocols required for entry to the country as it continues to manage the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and protect its citizens and visitors alike.

As a result, due to the global on-going vaccination process, there have been a few changes to the quarantine and COVID-19 testing processes.

Fully Vaccinated Travellers

The Ministry of Health and Wellness has approved the COVID-19 AstraZeneca, Moderna, Pfizer-BioNTech or Johnson & Johnson vaccinations for entry into Barbados and effective May 8th, 2021, travellers who are considered to be fully vaccinated are required to:

- Provide proof of a negative COVID-19 PCR test result 3 days prior to travel
- Provide a vaccination certificate on arrival to Barbados
- Have a standard or rapid COVID-19 PCR test done at the airport or their approved accommodation
- Use specially designated transportation providers for their transport to their approved accommodation and while awaiting their COVID-19 PCR test result
- Stay at their approved accommodation where they are free to move around in accordance with the guidelines of that property

All fully vaccinated travellers will be required to quarantine for approximately 1 to 2 days.

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Unvaccinated Travellers

Any traveller who has not been fully vaccinated, not vaccinated at all, does not have any evidence of vaccination or has travelled from or transited through a country where the prevalence of certain variants of COVID-19 are deemed of particular concern to Barbados, are required to:

- Provide a negative COVID-19 PCR test on arrival 3 days prior to travel
- Use specifically designated transportation providers for their transport from the airport to approved accommodation
- Stay within their rooms/suites before receiving a 2nd negative COVID-19 PCR test. **Travellers are not allowed to leave their rooms/suites**
- Take their 2nd test 5 days after their arrival to Barbados

All unvaccinated travellers will be required to quarantine for approximately 5 to 7 days.

Special Considerations

Children under 18 who are travelling with fully vaccinated guardians will be allowed to adhere to the fully vaccinated traveller guidelines. If you are travelling within a group as a vaccinated traveller with other unvaccinated travellers, you will be subject to unvaccinated traveller guidelines if you choose not to be separated.

All unaccompanied minors under the age of 18 must provide proof of a negative COVID-19 PCR test result taken no more than 3 days prior to arrival. Vaccinated unaccompanied minors will follow the guidelines for all vaccinated travellers, whereas, unvaccinated unaccompanied minors will follow the protocol of unvaccinated travellers.

Due to the fluidity of the COVID-19 pandemic, these protocols are likely to change. Travellers are encouraged to check <http://www.barbadostravelprotocols.com> for updates.

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About Barbados

The island of Barbados offers the most authentic Caribbean experience with its exceptionally rich culture and history rooted in remarkable landscapes. Rated as one of the world's sexiest beaches in 2008 by

Concierge.com; Barbados' Crane Beach in St. Philip stands as a premier destination for travellers. Barbados is also the first Zagat-rated Caribbean island and is known as the culinary capital of the Caribbean. Barbados has hosted several world class events including: The annual Barbados Food & Rum Festival; the 2006 PGA World Golf Championships-Barbados World Cup, the ICC Cricket World Cup Finals in 2007, the Sentebale Charity Polo match with Prince Harry of Wales in 2010, and the ICC Twenty20 Cricket Finals for 2010, and the Rihanna LOUD concert in 2012. Accommodations range from picturesque plantation houses and villas, to quaint bed and breakfasts and award-winning, five-star resorts. Grantley Adams International Airport offers even more non-stop and direct service from a growing number of U.S. cities, making Barbados the true gateway to the Eastern Caribbean. Barbados was voted eighth in the World by Trip Advisor's "2008 Travelers' Choice Destination Awards" in its Top 100 Destinations category. For more information on travel to Barbados, visit www.visitbarbados.org, follow on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/VisitBarbados>, via Twitter @Barbados.