

GUIDANCE ON ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR VISITORS TO THE ISLE OF MAN

This guidance document has been jointly created by officers from the Department for Enterprise (Visit Isle of Man) and the Cabinet Office (Public Health Directorate) and provides guidance for visitors following the changes to entry requirements and the current level of the Borders Framework.

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ISLE OF MAN 

KEY INFORMATION

Travelling from UK, Ireland and Channel Islands (The Common Travel Area)

If you have been in the UK, Ireland or the Channel Islands for 10 days prior to travel and are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, meaning you have had both doses and two weeks have passed since the second dose, the Island is delighted to welcome you back from 28th June 2021.

- At this stage only visitors who have had two doses of the Pfizer, Moderna or AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine administered in the UK, Ireland, Channel islands or the Isle of Man will be able to visit the Isle of Man. In addition, 14 days must have elapsed since receiving the second dose.
- For visitors who have not had any dose of the vaccine, had one dose, or their second dose was not 14 days prior to travel, then entry restrictions apply as per Level 2.5 of the Isle of Man Borders Framework.

Restrictions

Once here, all COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted on the Isle of Man. There is no legal requirement to wear face coverings, socially distance or to limit the numbers of people gathering indoors or outdoors. There are no 'bubbles' and you may meet with members of other households.

Everyone is advised to think about Hands, Face, Space and Fresh Air to reduce the risk of any potential transmission. <https://covid19.gov.im/general-information/be-safe-be-smart-be-kind>

Entry to the Isle of Man

Travel to the Isle of Man is unrestricted so long as:

- ✔ You have received both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine at least two weeks ahead of your arrival date which has been administered in the UK, Ireland, Channel islands or the Isle of Man
- ✔ You have been in the UK, Ireland or Channel Islands for 10 days prior to travel to the Isle of Man and not outside of The Common Travel Area.
- ✔ You do not have any symptoms of COVID-19.

As long as you meet the above requirements:

- No negative test is required before travel to the Isle of Man.
- No test is required upon arrival to the Isle of Man.
- There is no requirement to isolate upon arrival in the Isle of Man.

Travelling from Europe or anywhere outside The Common Travel Area

Anyone travelling from outside The Common Travel Area will not be permitted to travel to the Island unless they meet the requirements as per Level 2.5 of the Isle of Man Border Framework.

You will then be subject to the '7 Day Pathway' where you must have a COVID-19 test within 48 hours of arrival and isolate for 7 days. A further test must be taken on day 6, and if negative the traveller can leave isolation on day 7, if positive you must continue to isolate. There is a charge of £30 per person for this pathway.

Any person who does not wish to be tested will be subject to the '21 day default isolation'

For further information on the pathways please visit: <https://covid19.gov.im/general-information/current-travel-restrictions>

Requirements for children travelling to the Isle of Man

Ages 5-17: Any children between 5-17 years old who have not yet been fully vaccinated will be subject to the 'Test to Release Pathway' costing £30 per child. Each child must have a COVID-19 test within 48 hours of arrival on the Island and quarantine until they receive a negative result. Adults who are fully vaccinated do not need to isolate with the children, however may choose to do so.

Ages 0-4: Infants aged 0-4 are exempt from testing and quarantine.



PLANNING YOUR VISIT

Prior to booking

↳ We suggest contacting your travel insurance provider to fully understand what your insurance covers and reading the booking terms and conditions of any travel, accommodation, activity, attraction, eatery etc. you wish to make a booking with to ensure you are content with their booking, cancellation and flexibility terms.

Before departure

↳ All visitors must complete a [Landing Form](#) in the 48 hour period prior to arrival. Here you will be required to upload evidence that you are fully vaccinated and two weeks have passed since you have received your second dose. This can be a screengrab of your NHS app, a photo/scan of your vaccination card or an eligible vaccination proof letter/certificate. One landing form per visitor must be completed, including for one each child under 18.

Please note you will require Photographic ID upon arrival. This can include a passport, driving licence or an official ID card.

On arrival

↳ If you have not travelled outside of The Common Travel Area in the 10 days prior to travel to the Isle of Man, you will not be required to take a test or quarantine on arrival.

If you are travelling with children between 5-17 years old who are not fully vaccinated, they will be subject to a '[Test to Release Pathway](#)' costing £30 per child. For this pathway, each child must have a COVID-19 test on the Island within 48 hours of arrival and quarantine until they receive a negative result. If they are still in the Isle of Man on day 6, they will also be required to take another test for ongoing monitoring and assurance purposes.

Children under the age of 5 are exempt from any testing and quarantine.

You can download a helpful infographic to help make your holiday preparation simple by [clicking here](#).



Evidencing your vaccination history



Visitors travelling to the Island who have received both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine at least two weeks ahead of your arrival date will be asked for evidence of two vaccinations before entering the Isle of Man. This can be uploaded when completing the [Landing Form](#).

Both doses must have been administered in a country belonging to The Common Travel Area.

Evidence can include:

- a screen grab of your NHS app,
- a photo/scan of your vaccination card
- or an eligible vaccination proof letter/certificate.

If you are completing a Landing Form on arrival you must have one of the above ready to show at the sea port or airport.

PLANNING YOUR VISIT

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q1. What do I need to consider or be aware of before booking my trip to the Island?

We suggest contacting your travel insurance provider to understand what your insurance covers and reading the booking terms and conditions of any travel, accommodation, activity, attraction, eatery etc. you wish to make a booking with to ensure you are content with their booking, cancellation and flexibility terms.

In the event you test positive for COVID-19 whilst visiting the Isle of Man, you and your party will be guided by the Isle of Man COVID-19 TII Team with regards to the requirements for testing and isolating.

Q2. Do I need photo ID travel to the Isle of Man?

Yes, you will be required to present a current, valid, driving licence or passport along with your completed landing form upon arrival to the Isle of Man.

Q3. Is there a cost for the COVID-19 test for children aged 5-17 who are subject to 'Test to Release'?

Yes, the cost is £30 per child. This can be paid over the phone upon booking their COVID-19 test.

Q4. Can I come to the Isle of Man if I have had my vaccines outside of the Common Travel Area?

Unfortunately both doses of the vaccine must have been administered in The Common Travel Area.

Those visiting the Island under Level 2.5 of the Border Framework will be subject to the '7 Day Pathway'

Q5. What if I have had the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, only one dose of the Pfizer, Moderna or AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine or my second dose was less than 14 days ago?

At this stage only visitors who have had two doses of the Pfizer, Moderna or AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine administered in the UK, Ireland, Channel islands or the Isle of Man will be able to visit the Isle of Man. In addition, 14 days must have elapsed since receiving the second dose.

Q6. If my children, or any member of my party do not meet the vaccination requirements, may a negative PCR test prior to arrival on the Island be demonstrated instead?

Unfortunately at this stage, only fully vaccinated adults will be able to travel unrestricted. Those who have not been fully vaccinated, for whatever reason, will need to wait a little longer before being able to travel to the Island.

Q7. Is there a minimum night stay?

There is no minimum night stay for your visit to the Isle of Man.

Q8. Can I stay with friends and relatives who live on the Island or must I book into tourist accommodation?

You are welcome to stay with your friends and relatives living on the Isle of Man or in registered tourist accommodation. The Island offers a variety of registered tourist visitor accommodation from camping and glamping sites to 4* hotels. You can view the range of accommodation on this webpage: <https://www.visitisleofman.com/stay>

Q9. Can I visit the Island with a friend or relative from another town, city or country and am I able to travel and stay in accommodation with them?

Please visit this page: <https://covid19.gov.im/general-information/travel-advice> for the up-to-date information on access and entry requirements for visitors to the Isle of Man.

Travellers to the Isle of Man will be required to adhere to the entry rules relevant to the area that they travelled from.

You can travel and stay in accommodation with your friend/relative who arrived from another location providing they also meet the entry requirements.

Q10. If I become ill with COVID-19 before my travel to the Island and can no longer travel due mandatory isolation, will I receive my money back?

This will depend upon the booking terms and conditions of the travel, accommodation, activities and attractions and eateries etc. that you have booked and we suggest that you read these carefully ahead of making a reservation.

You may also wish to contact your travel insurance provider to understand what your insurance covers.

We suggest contacting your tour operator, travel provider, accommodation and/or tourism service provider to discuss your situation.

Q11. I have previously booked a trip to the Isle of Man but cannot visit as I do not meet the requirements, will I receive my money back?

Please refer to the booking terms and conditions of the travel, accommodation, activities and attractions and eateries etc. that you have booked and we suggest that you read these carefully ahead of making a reservation.

You may also wish to contact your travel insurance provider to understand what your insurance covers.



Tips for Planning

- Ensure you have the appropriate level of cover with your travel insurance provider
- Read the full terms and conditions of the travel, accommodation, activity, attractions, eateries etc. to ensure you are content before making a reservation. These terms may vary.
- Familiarise yourself with the latest guidance on the official Isle of Man Government COVID-19 website: <https://covid19.gov.im/>
- You can help protect our Island by being safe, smart and kind - think Hands, Face, Space and Fresh Air

TRAVELLING TO ISLE OF MAN

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q1. Do I need to fill in a form before arriving on the Isle of Man and if so where do I get the form?

Yes, you must complete a Landing Form within 48 hours prior to arrival; this includes completing a separate form for each child travelling (aged 0-17).

The information on this form will be used to inform contact tracing, should this be necessary. You will be asked to declare that you have not been outside of the UK, Ireland and Channel Islands for 10 days prior to your arrival on the Island. You will also be asked to provide evidence of your vaccination status. Acceptable formats are a screen shot of the NHS app, a copy of your vaccination card, or a copy of a certificate. You must to be honest on your form.

If you are unable to complete your form prior to arrival, paper copies are available at the Isle of Man airport and sea terminal upon arrival. Please ensure you have your proof of vaccination and Photographic ID with you.

The Landing Form is available here: <https://covid19.gov.im/general-information/landing-forms/>

The penalty for providing false information is a maximum penalty (summary – 3 months custody, a fine not exceeding 4 times level 5 on the standard scale (£40,000) or both).

Q2. Do I need to have a negative COVID-19 test before travelling to the Isle of Man?

No, you do not need to produce evidence of a negative COVID-19 test prior to travelling to the Isle of Man.

Q3. What can I expect at the boat terminal and on board the boat?

If you are travelling by boat, you can find further information on the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company's website here: <https://www.steam-packet.com/information/coronavirus>

Q4. What can I expect at the airport and aboard the aircraft?

If you are travelling by aeroplane you may wish to check this information on your destination and aircraft carrier (e.g. Easyjet, Logan Air) website.

To ensure your personal safety whilst travelling to the Isle of Man you may wish to consider the guidance available on this webpage: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-safer-air-travel-guidance-for-passengers>

Q5. If I become ill on the boat or aircraft, what should I do and what will happen to me?

If you become ill or experience COVID-19 symptoms whilst travelling to the Isle of Man we would request that you make this known to a member of the team aboard the aircraft or boat.

The transport team will provide you with advice and guidance from this point onwards.

Q6. What happens if someone on the boat or aircraft which I have travelled on tests positive for COVID-19, will I be informed and will this affect my trip to the Island?

The landing form you are required to complete will request contact information for while you are on the Isle of Man. In the event that someone who travelled on the same boat or aircraft as you tests positive for COVID-19 the Isle of Man COVID-19 111 contact tracing team will assess the situation. If you are deemed to be a high-risk contact, you will be contacted and provided with instructions accordingly.



Tips for Travelling

- Carry a face covering on your person should you wish to use it at any time during your journey for your own safety and to protect your fellow travellers
- Carry a hand sanitiser should you wish to use at any time during your journey
- Respect your fellow travellers' personal space
- You can help protect our Island by being safe, smart and kind - think Hands, Face, Space and Fresh Air
- Carry your vaccination evidence so that you can easily access it to present when required
- Passengers will be required to wear face coverings on the boat/aircraft and terminals, and follow the operator protocol.

ARRIVING ON THE ISLE OF MAN

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q1. Will I be required to present a vaccination certificate upon arrival on the Island at the boat/airport terminal or upon checking into my accommodation?

You will be required to submit evidence of your vaccination status when completing your landing form. This can be done online 48 hours prior to arrival here: <https://covid19.gov.im/general-information/landing-forms/>

If you are unable to complete your form prior to arrival paper copies are available at the Isle of Man airport and sea terminal upon arrival. It is also recommended to carry this evidence with you during your stay on the Isle of Man should any business you are visiting request it.

Q2. Can I use public transport when I arrive on Island?

Yes, you may use public transport when arriving on the Island.

Q3. Will I need to take a COVID-19 test when arriving to the Island?

If you meet all of the entry requirements above, you will not have to take a COVID-19 test upon arrival on the Isle of Man.

If you are travelling with children aged 5-17 who have not been fully vaccinated, they will be subject to the '[Test to Release Pathway](#)' and will be required to have a COVID-19 test within 48 hours of arrival on the Isle of Man and must quarantine pending a negative result.

Children aged 0-4 are exempt from testing and quarantine requirements.

Q4. How/where will I find out if any of the rules change either before or during my stay?

Please see this page <https://covid19.gov.im/general-information/travel-advice/> for the up-to-date information on access and entry requirements for visitors to the Isle of Man.

We also advise you to keep up-to-date with the entry requirements and/or isolation and testing requirements when returning to your home county /country from the Isle of Man.

Tips for Arriving



- There is no legal requirement to wear face coverings, socially distance or limit to numbers at gatherings indoors or outdoors. However, people are advised to think about Hands, Face, Space and Fresh Air to reduce the risk of transmission.
- Carry a face covering should you wish to use at any time during your journey
- Carry a hand sanitiser should you wish to use at any time during your journey
- Respect your fellow travellers' personal space
- Ensure you are up-to-date with the entry requirements when travelling to the Isle of Man and returning to your home/forward destination as this may be subject to change as the COVID-19 situation and infection rates continue to vary.

EXPLORING THE ISLE OF MAN

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q1. Will I be required to wear a face covering or social distance when exploring the Isle of Man?

There is no legal requirement to wear face coverings, social distance or to limit of numbers gathering indoors or outdoors. However while there may be low level risks of COVID-19 in the Isle of Man people including visitors are advised to think about Hands, Face, Space and Fresh Air to reduce the risk of any transmission.

<https://covid19.gov.im/general-information/be-safe-be-smart-be-kind/>

Q2. Do I need to pre-book restaurants, activities and attractions?

Pre-booking is not a requirement on the Isle of Man in terms of COVID-19 mitigations however this may differ from business to business. We suggest researching or contacting the eatery, or tourism provider ahead of arriving to find out whether pre-booking is a requirement.

Q3. What happens if I am contact traced during my stay?

In the event that you are contacted as part of a contact tracing exercise you will be contacted by the Isle of Man COVID-19 111 team who will have access to your contact details from your landing form and they will provide instructions accordingly. If you are contact traced by your home team, please advise Isle of Man COVID-19 111 Team who can advise you.

Q4. What should I do if I start to feel unwell with COVID-19 symptoms whilst exploring the Island?

If you begin to feel unwell with COVID-19 symptoms you must:

- Return to your accommodation and isolate
- Call 111 or from a UK mobile +44 (0) 1624 822111

Q5. Will there be access to a PCR (private COVID-19 test) if I would like one whilst on the Isle of Man?

If you wish to book a private COVID-19 test on the Isle of Man you may do so in some circumstances, there is more information available here: <https://covid19.gov.im/general-information/on-island-private-covid-19-pcr-test/>

TESTING POSITIVE FOR COVID-19

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q1. What will happen if I test positive for COVID-19 whilst in the Isle of Man?

In the event that you test positive for COVID-19 you will be in direct contact with the Isle of Man's COVID-19 111 Team who will provide instructions, guidance and support you accordingly.

Q2. If I test positive for COVID-19, am I able to travel home or will I need to remain on the Island?

In the event you test positive for COVID-19 whilst visiting the Isle of Man, you will be required to carry out a period of isolation as directed by Isle of Man COVID-19 111 Team. You will not be authorised to leave your isolation period to travel off the Island and return home without the approval of the Isle of Man COVID-19 111 Team.

Q3. If I test positive for COVID-19 will I be able to remain in my accommodation?

You must not move to another accommodation unless permission has been granted by the Isle of Man COVID-19 111 Team. Your health and wellbeing is of paramount importance to us along with containing the virus and mitigating the risk of any further transmission which may affect your fellow travellers and our community.

Where possible, you will be required to remain in your accommodation for your period of isolation. If it is not possible for you to remain in your accommodation you will be required to work with your accommodation provider and the Isle of Man COVID-19 111 Team to find an alternative and to arrange safe travel (you must not use public transport).

There is a list of accommodation offering self isolation here: <https://covid19.gov.im/general-information/accommodation-and-testing-for-arriving-travellers/>

Q4. Do I need to pay for my isolation accommodation?

Yes, it is your responsibility to cover the costs of any isolation accommodation. We suggest checking whether the cost of this is covered within your travel insurance policy before travelling to the Island.

Q5. If I continue to feel unwell with COVID-19 symptoms and require a doctor or hospital treatment, who do I contact?

If you have already tested positive for COVID-19 you will be in direct contact with the Isle of Man COVID-19 111 Team who will provide you with all of the information you will need.

In the case of an emergency please call 999.

Q6. If I need to rearrange my travel due to an extended stay on the Island and I need to change my travel arrangements, how do I do this?

You will need to make direct contact with your airline or Isle of Man Steam Packet Company to arrange this.

Q7. If one of my travel party, family member or friend tests positive, do I also need to isolate?

This will depend upon the situation. The person who has tested positive for COVID-19 will be in direct contact with the Isle of Man COVID-19 111 team and they will provide the help and guidance to other members of the travel party, as required.

Q8. What happens if I do not follow the rules and refuse / break a direction from the Isle of Man COVID-19 111 Team to self-isolate?

When on the Isle of Man, failure to adhere to the conditions of your self-isolation is an offence under the Public Health Protection (Coronavirus) Regulations 2020. If you break your period of isolation this will be treated as a criminal matter.



Symptoms of COVID-19

Symptoms include:

- a temperature of more than 37.8C (100F)
- OR, a new and persistent cough - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- OR, anosmia - this is the loss of or a change in your normal sense of smell. It can also affect your taste as the two are closely linked.
- OR, a new shortness of breath.

If you develop symptoms you must self-isolate immediately and follow the information on the [Symptoms and Self-Assessment page: https://covid19.gov.im/about-coronavirus/symptoms-and-self-assessment/](https://covid19.gov.im/about-coronavirus/symptoms-and-self-assessment/)

You must:

- Return to your accommodation and isolate
- Call the Isle of Man COVID-19 111 team on 111 or from a UK mobile +44 (0) 1624 822111

KEEP UP TO DATE WITH THE ISLE OF MAN

Stay up to date with COVID-19 news and updates whilst visiting the Isle of Man by following the Isle of Man Government's official channels:

- Isle of Man COVID-19 website: <https://covid19.gov.im/>
- Press Releases and News Stories: <https://covid19.gov.im/news-releases-statements/>

Watch Live:

You can watch the live Isle of Man Government briefings via:

- Facebook
- Twitter
- Youtube

COVID-19 Help and Support

COVID-19 Symptoms

If you or your family/fellow travellers develop symptoms, you must all self-isolate immediately and follow the information on the Symptoms and Self-Assessment page. Alternatively you must:

- Return to your accommodation and isolate
- Call 111 or from a UK mobile +44 (0) 1624 822111

Community support and information centre

This centre is for any non-medical calls and queries.

Telephone: +44 (0)1624 686262

Email: Covid19Communitysupport@gov.im

Travel

Isle of Man Ronaldsway Airport

Telephone: +44 (0) 1624 821600

Email: admin@iom-airport.com

Isle of Man Steam Packet Company

Telephone: 01624 661661 (IOM), 08722 992 992* (UK) or 0044 8722 992 992* (ROI & Outside UK).

Website: <https://www.steam-packet.com/contactus>

Visitor Information

Isle of Man Welcome Centre (located at the Sea Terminal, Douglas)

Telephone: +44 (0) 1624 686801

Medical Care

Emergency Dental Clinic Telephone: +44 (0) 1624 642785

Emergency: 999