

PHASE III REOPENING OF TERRITORY'S BORDERS

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KEY DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

Here are the key dates you should keep in mind regarding the Reopening:

On December 1st, 2020 – Air arrivals for all visitors at the Terrance B. Lettsome International Airport begins. This means you, visitors, residents, work permit holders, belongers/bvislanders, family and friends, we welcome you all!

- On December 8th 2020 – Arrivals by Ferry via the Road Town Ferry Terminal begins.
 - We will continue to provide updates as we adapt and work to gradually and safely reopen our borders to all visitors.

Next, let's discuss the Reentry Protocols:

The reentry protocols apply to everyone – regardless of what passport you carry.

- **Registration** in advance on our online gateway: bvigateway.bviaa.com, is mandatory.
- A negative COVID-19 test **prior to arrival is also mandatory**.
- A COVID-19 test on arrival, or **Day ZERO**, will be performed at the port of entry (airport or the ferry terminal).
- Once tested, travelers will then be taken **securely to their on-island destination** – whether it be your home, chartered yacht or resort.
- A test will be performed on the morning of Day 4, with results returned to the traveller on the morning of day 5.
- Once a negative test result is received at this point, Congratulations you are free to fully enjoy the BVI and experience BVILOVE.

You may be asking: what are the costs for the BVIs COVID-19 reentry procedures?

- There is a \$175 fee **for each passenger**. This fee covers both COVID tests on arrival and on Day 4, the tracking Bracelet rental, mobile App and related necessary procedures.
- It is important to note that Children under 5 do not need to be tested
Are you traveling onward to another destination? Your Day 4 test might work as pre-arrival for your next destination. This depends on the protocols of your destination.

Now here's what you can do while you're in the BVI, and in particular, what you might do during the 4 day quarantine period after arrival:

Let's explore our marine industry today.

- Yachts must be provisioned before guests arrive and board. You, the guest, your vessel, your entire party and the 30 foot radius around the boat become your mobile bubble. You may swim and enjoy our Territory within that 30 feet radius of your boat.
- Yacht guests can also visit a list of sites spread throughout the Territory.
- Contact-less restocking and delivery to boats is also permitted.

Gold Seal certification for our Tourism-related business programmes:

- Gold Seal training for COVID-19 officers, professional staff, and general staff has been ongoing and we encourage all Tourism-related entities and persons to register and perform training.
- Training sessions are happening both on site and virtually.
- All Tourism businesses, including those who have already received Environmental Health certificates, must be registered and nominate their COVID-19 Officer so that they can receive their Gold Seal Certificate.
- On Monday, November 16th, the Environmental Health Division will do a checklist review with those businesses that are registered.
- Visit the BVI Tourist Board's website at: bvitourism.com.
- All trainings and checklist reviews will continue through November to ensure that everyone is trained and certified.

Let's discuss a few of the commonly asked questions.

- **Can I refuse to be tracked? Can I refuse to be tested?**
In order to be admitted to the BVI, you must adhere to the re-entry requirements, and agree to be tracked and tested and to follow the re-entry protocols as established by the Government.
- **Are in-bound day trips to the BVI allowed?**
No, not in this first wave of the Phase III reopening.
- **Are Day trips out-bound from the BVI allowed? (For example, to St. Thomas or St. John and returning a day or two later?)**
Yes, but note that all entry to the BVI requires pre-testing, tests on arrival, 4-day quarantine and the Day 4 Test.
How can you get more information?
- You can get more information via WhatsApp at **284-496-6129** or by email at reopening@bvitourism.com.

Coming up in future updates:

- Information on the technology and the apps.
- Where you can go and what you can do between Days 1 and 4.
- Information regarding onward travel, when you need to leave the BVI.
- Details on testing and swabs.
- Property inspections and certifications.
- Requirements regarding travel insurance.

Please do stay tuned for our next update! BVILOVE awaits you!