

Ireland Moves into Phase 2 of Reopening

We welcome the news from Ireland as it moves into Phase 2 of the Roadmap for Reopening Society and Business on 8 June 2020. Details of the latest information on how Ireland is responding to cases of COVID-19 are available [here](#).



Tourism Operational Guidelines

We are also delighted to advise that a suite of operational guidelines have been produced by [Fáilte Ireland](#) (National Tourism Development Authority of Ireland) to ensure the safe re-opening of tourism businesses in the Republic of Ireland.

The operational guidelines have been produced in collaboration with a number of industry groups covering multiple sectors including accommodation providers, visitor attractions & experiences, cafes & restaurants, transport and activity providers.

Our colleagues in Tourism Northern Ireland are working diligently on their operational guidelines also and we expect those to be available shortly.

These guidelines provide detailed advice on the systems that will be implemented and should reassure all of our valued partners about the actions undertaken to ensure the safety of visitors and workers alike. The guidelines aim to help tourism businesses be best positioned to extend the warmest of welcomes to our overseas visitors as soon as travel restrictions facilitate.

Below are some of the guidelines relating to Hotels & Guesthouses

1. Guests must be advised to stand at least **2 metres** away from other groups of people who are not from the same household at all times. This applies to reception areas, restaurants, bars, public areas and buffet areas (though buffet services should be avoided where possible).
2. **Hand sanitiser dispensers** (touchless whenever possible), must be placed at all entry points to a property, at employee entrances and at specific points within the public areas of the property.
3. **Property Signage:** COVID-19 signage relating to hand and respiratory hygiene and physical distancing measures throughout the property.
4. Employees will be trained on all new procedures and on what to do if they or a guest becomes unwell.
5. Strict cleaning protocols must be observed and are detailed in the operational procedures documents

Some guidelines may change over time in line with Government public health advice including the application of the existing social distancing requirements – we will keep you updated on any changes.

Additionally, while travel and quarantine restrictions remain in place for Ireland, we will advise partners as soon as there is any update in this area also.

Sector specific guidelines are also available



[An overview of guidelines for re-opening for all sectors](#)



[The guidelines for re-opening hotels and guesthouses](#)



[The guidelines for re-opening caravan and camping parks](#)



[The guidelines for re-opening self-catering](#)



[The guidelines for re-opening restaurants and cafes](#)



[The guidelines for re-opening caravan and camping parks](#)



[The guidelines for re-opening visitor attractions](#)



[The guidelines for re-opening B&Bs and historic houses](#)

Ireland Travel Advice



All people need to **SELF-ISOLATE FOR 14 DAYS** if you arrive in Ireland from any other country, including Irish citizens. **SELF-ISOLATION** means staying indoors and completely avoiding contact with other people.

All people would be asked to fill in a form before you arrive in Ireland called the Public Health Passenger Locator Form. [DETAILS](#)

Irish Taoiseach's Speech on 1 May 2020



Leo Varadkar gives an update on the COVID-19 emergency which is available [here](#).



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