



NON-ESSENTIAL TRAVEL TO GOZO PROHIBITED

A new legal notice which will come into force next Friday will address **non-essential travel between Malta and Gozo**. Besides screening for fever before one goes on board the ship, a **new form of screening will be introduced in order to ascertain one's purpose for travelling between the two islands**. Travel will **only be allowed for purposes** of: 1.) **Work**; 2.) **Medical reasons**; 3.) In order to **visit relatives recovering in hospital**; 4.) **Visits to relatives**; 5.) **Carriage of goods**; and 6.) **Returning to one's ordinary residence**. Travel undertaken for the **purposes of vacation, entertainment, or for day-tripping will not be allowed**.



NEW CASES

From the **563** swabs taken in the last 24 hours, there were **13 persons who resulted as positive for the Covid-19 virus**. 5 of these were related to foreign travel while the other 8 were infected through local transmission. **All of them are in a good state of health**. 5 of the 8 positive cases are **linked to a person who had some symptoms and still went to work**. 3 of the persons were infected with the virus from him, and the other 2 from those who were infected by it at the workplace. This is why **it is important to emphasise the need for those who feel symptoms to stay at home and call 111**. The strategy remains that of increasing the number of swabs—so far **6,934**—in order to identify those with the virus at an early stage so that these may be placed in quarantine. The number of Covid-19 cases has risen to **169**.



INSPECTIONS OF GROUPS

8 persons were fined €100 each during the patrols that the Police is carrying out to ensure that there are no groups of more than 3 persons in public places, as per the legal notice issued by the government. When groups of more than 3 persons are found, **these will be fined €100 each**. Corp members, with vehicles, dogs, and horses were today seen patrolling the streets of different towns and villages, in the countryside, and close to the seashore. The Police is **appealing to the public to do its part to reduce the spread of Covid-19 in order to observe the regulations in the interest of everyone's wellbeing**. Meanwhile in the last 24 hours, **471 inspections were carried out around Malta and Gozo**. The Police, together with Department of Health and Civil Protection Department officials, **found six individuals breaking the law and these were fined €3,000 each**. Since the inspections started, the authorities have so far issued **49 fines for non-observance of mandatory quarantine**. As ever, the appeal remains that everyone should be **responsible and cooperate with the directives that are being issued by the authorities**.



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INSPECTIONS ON ESTABLISHMENTS

The same hotel in Sliema which last Sunday was found to have 80 foreign workers residing in it was today **found to have another 11 persons residing in it by Malta Tourism Authority officials**. The hotel is supposed to be closed through an enforcement notice. Used rooms were also found in the hotel, among other indications that there were more people residing in it. **A request for the termination of electricity and water supplies to the hotel has been made**. Food and drinking establishments **have been complying with the regulations imposed for their continued closure**. **550 inspections** in total were carried out. One can report abuses on **21692447**.



REPORTS TO THE POLICE

As from next Wednesday, the **Police Corps will change its mode of operation** in the way it deals with citizens as **a way of reducing the spread of Covid-19**. In this manner, **one will not need to physically report to a police station in order to make a report** which does not require the police's immediate attention. Instead, one can call on **2294 9999** or visit the website **<https://pulizija.gov.mt/opres>** or by email on **pulizija@gov.mt**. One can also use the **app 112mt** which can be downloaded from the **App Store (on iOS) or from Google Play (on Android)**. The identity and the telephone number of those who make the report will always be asked for. While taking all the necessary preventive measures, the **Police Corps is determined to continue operating as normal and provide a service to the community**.



NEW TOOLS AT MATER DEI

A new **online system—data dashboard**—is being operated at Mater Dei so **that doctors and specialists have access to and share common information** with a view towards greater efficiency and so that more timely decisions are taken. In this manner, **information regarding Covid-19 which comes from the laboratories is immediately disseminated online so that professionals are able to take strategic decisions** while maximising resources. In the data dashboard, **information is collected immediately** from the ITU, the activity in the wards, the emergency department, swabs, and age and sex-related analysis of patients—**all under one umbrella**. **The data dashboard has arrived at a time when the number of beds for Covid-19 patients at Mater Dei has increased.**



HELPLINES

- 111** – For those who feel **symptoms of COVID-19** or who wish **further information**
- 21411 411** – For those in **mandatory quarantine** who require provisions of food and medicine
- 1772** – For those who are **feeling lonely**.
- 22944511/22944504** – To report **breaches of regulations** regarding public health and Covid-19 to the Police.
- 153** – For those who require **information** about the **financial measures** administered by the **Department for Social Security**.
- 144** – For those who require **information** about the **financial measures** administered by **Malta Enterprise**.
- 2204 2200** – For Maltese residents **who were caught in one of the high-risk countries and wish to return to Malta**
- 25981000** – For those who have **questions about the educational sector and the impact of the coronavirus**
- 21692447** – For **hoteliers and tourists** who have questions about the announced measures.
- 25903030** – For **elderly persons bereft of support** who need medicines, ready-made meals or food products (fruit and vegetables).
- 25469111** – For those who work in the **gaming industry**.