

## Media Release

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### **COVID-19 testing for Category 2 travellers leaving before day 7**

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Travellers arriving in the Bailiwick from a Category 2 country or region have to self-isolate until they receive a negative test results from the day 1 test taken at the port of entry. After that they can leave self-isolation and comply with the rules of passive follow-up until day 14 after their arrival. During the passive follow-up period they are required to take a second COVID-19 test on day 7.

The test on day 7 enables Public Health Services to pick up any cases of COVID-19 where the traveller tested negative on day one but have since become positive whilst in the Bailiwick.

We are aware that not all travellers from a Category 2 country or region plan to stay in the Bailiwick until day 7. In these circumstances, the following arrangements have been made for testing before departure:

**Travellers on a commercial flight/ferry** – for those who have declared their intention to leave before day 7 on their Travel Tracker account, they will be contacted by telephone and offered an appointment at the drive-through testing tent at the Princess Elizabeth Hospital. The swab will be scheduled for the day of departure (or the afternoon before in the case of early travel).

If you have to leave unexpectedly, please email [travel.tracker@gov.gg](mailto:travel.tracker@gov.gg) to make arrangements for a pre-departure test.

**Travellers on Private vessels** – please attend the Crown Pier testing facility between 9am and 11 am or between 4pm and 6 pm daily to take a test. No prior appointment is needed.

**Travellers on private flights** – your FBO will arrange for tests to be taken prior to departure.

For all travellers, you do not need to wait for your results prior to departure. If a traveller declines a test, they will not receive a refund.

Picking up positive cases prior to departure enables Public Health to immediately start the contact tracing process. Travellers who test positive prior to departure will be contacted in the country or region that they have returned to.