

ICELAND TO ENCOURAGE POST-LOCKDOWN TRAVEL WITH FREE COVID 19 TESTING



Iceland is offering a free test on arrival for visitors and travelers to encourage post-lockdown travels and tourism.

According to Iceland Minister of Tourism, Industry, and Innovation, Thordis Kolbrun Gylfadottir, Iceland will be testing tourists on arrival, getting them to download their coronavirus tracking app, and then await their results in their different destinations or hotel rooms.

Visitors and tourists will get their results in a few hours via phone call if they test positive and via text if they test negative.

Thordis says this measure will be implemented for the first few weeks where every visitor will get tested or decide to go on 14 days quarantine if they choose to do so.

Thordis says a low population density, advanced health care system, quality infrastructure, and easy-to-follow social distancing rules without curfews is what post-lockdown tourism would look like in the country.

With the institute of Economy and Peace rating Iceland the safest country for the 12th year in a row, the minister of tourism expects post-lockdown travels into the country to be safe considering large spaces available to avoid crowding, as well as social distancing and other health measures in place.

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