

Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department of Tourism & Civil Aviation

No.Tsm-F(4)-3/2020-II

Dated: Shimla-2 the

26th August, 2020

ORDER


Whereas, the Department of Tourism & Civil Aviation, Himachal Pradesh vide letter No.5-99/2020/TSM-201 dated 9th June, 2020, has issued COVID-19 Safety and Hygiene guidelines for Tourism Sector in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India for operation of Hotels and other accommodation units in the State.

Whereas, Department of Tourism & Civil Aviation, HP has issued additional Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for opening of Tourism Units and for tourists coming by Air/by Train in the State vide order No.Tsm-F(4)-3/2020 dated 4th July, 2020 and Tsm-F(4)-3/2020-II dated 24-7-2020 respectively.

And Whereas, after considering the status of COVID-19 pandemic and the overall circumstances, the SOPs issued earlier are required to be modified to some extent.

Therefore, the undersigned in partial modification of SOPs issued earlier vide Order dated 4th July, 2020 and 24th July, 2020, hereby orders to issue amended **Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for tourists coming in the State** as per **Annexure-"A"** appended to this Order for information and strict compliance thereto of all concerned.

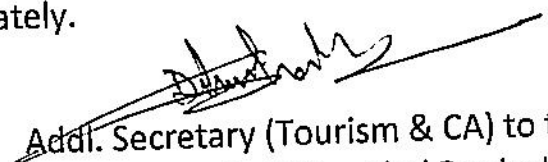
These Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) shall come into force with immediate effect.


(Devesh Kumar)
Secretary (Tourism & CA) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.

Endst.No. Tsm-F(4)-3/2020-II Dated: Shimla-2 the 26th August, 2020
Copt for information and necessary action to:-

1. All the Administrative Secretaries to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
2. The Pr.Secretary to the Chief Minister, HP, Shimla-2.

3. The Adviser-cum-Pr.Private Secretary to the Chief Minister, HP, Shimla.
4. The Sr.Spl.PS to Chief Secretary, Govt. of HP, Shimla-2.
5. The Secretary to Governor, HP, Shimla-2.
6. All the Divisional Commissioners in HP.
7. All the Heads of Department in HP.
8. The Director, Tourism & Civil Aviation, HP, Shimla-9 for uploading of same on website as well as circulation thereof to all DTDOs / IHMs / concerned stake holders.
9. All the Deputy Commissioners in HP.
10. All the Superintendent of Police in Himachal Pradesh.
11. The Managing Director, HP Tourism Development Corporation, Ritz Annexe, Shimla-1.
12. The Director, Information & Public Relations, HP, Shimla-2.
13. The Director (IT), Himachal Pradesh for making requisite changes in the "Entry Registration Portal" immediately.


Addl. Secretary (Tourism & CA) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.

Annexure "A"

Sr. No.	Existing Guidelines	Amended Guidelines
1	The minimum duration of stay for any tourist entering Himachal is for 5 days.	The minimum duration of stay required previously is now reduced to two nights spread over multiple locations.
2	Every tourist must have been tested not more than 72 hours prior to entering the State of HP and carry COVID TEST CERTIFICATE (RT-PCR test based report) issued by ICMR authorized/certified lab with negative report.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The intending Tourist may get Trunaat/CB Naat Test (negative) report in alternative to RT-PCR test, but still from a accredited/authorized laboratory within a period of 96 hours till the State border.• The period of 96 hours in which tests indicated have to be done will be counted till the border of the State and not for any internal check points.• Children less than 10 years of age are exempted from compulsory testing provided all the accompanying adults have been tested and have produced the requisite proof thereof.
3	Tourists shall get themselves registered on covidepass.hp.gov.in at least 48 hrs. before visiting Himachal under tourist category.	IT Deptt. shall modify the e-pass software to generate a separate consolidated list of applications under "Tourists" Category. The Distt. Administration shall scrutinize the uploaded documents within a period of "24 hours" of the submission of the applications and give their opinion, else it will be deemed to be approved and the software should automatically forward/reply the approval to the applicant immediately thereafter.

4	Protocol for handling suspected & COVID positive guests in a Tourism Unit	In case, a COVID positive guest is found/detected in a tourism unit, then that particular room where he/she was staying shall be sealed for 24 hours after deep cleaning. Further all places he/she has visited in the previous 48 hours shall also be deep cleaned.
5	Precautions required to be taken for taxi Driver	The driver who is just dropping the guests will be exempted from quarantine (whether he is in a private vehicle)



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Whereas, amended Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) to amend earlier SOPs, have been issued vide order dated 26th August, 2020 which are required to be slightly modified to some extent.

Therefore, the undersigned in partial modification of SOPs issued earlier vide Order dated 26th August, 2020, orders that the registration process on online portal of visitors to the State in view of COVID-19 shall continue for now and amended guidelines at Sr.No. 3 and 5 are further modified for information and strict compliance thereto of all concerned as under:-

Sr. No.	Amended Guidelines Dated 26-8-2020	Modified Guidelines
3	IT Deptt. shall modify the e-pass software to generate a separate consolidated list of applications under "Tourists" Category. The Distt. Administration shall scrutinize the uploaded documents within a period of "24 hours" of the submission of the applications and give their opinion, else it will be deemed to be approved and the software should automatically forward/ reply the approval to the applicant immediately thereafter.	IT Deptt. shall tweak the e-pass software to generate a separate consolidated list of applications under "Tourists" Category. The Distt. Administration shall scrutinize the uploaded documents within a period of "24 hours" of the registration and give their opinion, else it will be deemed to be acknowledged and the software should automatically forward/ reply acknowledgement to the applicant immediately thereafter.

5	The driver who is just dropping the guests will be exempted from quarantine (whether he is in a private vehicle)	The driver who is just dropping the guests will be exempted from quarantine (whether he is in a private vehicle or a public service vehicle)
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(Devesh Kumar)

Secretary (Tourism & CA) to the
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