

Borders Open!

Welcome to Costa Rica



In view of the announcement of the maritime borders opening:

<https://www.visitcostarica.com/es/costa-rica/planning-your-trip/entry-requirements>

We are pleased to communicate the following:

1. This communication is official and therefore it is firm as of September 1, 2020.
2. It clearly defines the requirements for the entry of vessels and their crews to national waters.
3. The vessels will continue to enter the country on a regular basis and in accordance with known procedures, either through port agents or on their own.
4. Vessels can come from any destination, because as the resolution establishes, people coming from unauthorized countries would quarantine, therefore, there is no doubt that there is no limitation in relation to the place of origin.
5. In the particular case of the verification of personal requirements (insurance, health form, COVID-19 test and emission of the sanitary quarantine order) corresponds to the Directorate of Migration and the Ministry of Health, as is currently the case at airports.
6. In addition to these requirements, it is mandatory, according to the same pronouncement of the tourism minister, that the vessel and its crew go to a authorize touristic marina by CIMAT in Costa Rica like Marina Bahia Golfito.

The foregoing, for the purposes of complying with the principle of legal certainty, which is essential for our customers, so they can enter under pre-established requirements in a clear and standardized procedure already established.

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GRADUAL OPENING OF MARITIME BORDERS SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ENTRY OF FOREIGN FLAG VESSELS INTO NATIONAL WATERS TO THE TOURISTIC MARINAS AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

1. Have travel insurance that covers at least accommodation and medical expenses generated by the COVID-19 disease, the insurance can be international or purchased from national insurers.

In the case of international insurance, the tourist must request from their insurer a certification issued in English or Spanish, stating at least three conditions:

- Validity of the effective policy during the visit in Costa Rica.
- Guarantee coverage for medical expenses in cases of pandemic disease COVID-19 in Costa Rica, for at least US \$ 50,000 (fifty thousand dollars).
- Minimum coverage of US \$ 2,000 for extended lodging expenses due to pandemic disease COVID-19.

National insurance for travelers is offered today by:

Insurer INS (Instituto Nacional de Seguros) <https://www.grupoins.com/seguroparaviajeros>

Insurer Sagicor https://www.sagicor.cr/seguropara_turistas/

2. Complete the epidemiological digital form called HEALTH PASS, generated by the Ministry of Health: <https://salud.go.cr/>

3. Have the negative test for COVID-19, obtained through the test called PCR-RT, in the terms established by the Ministry of Health (no more than 48 hours prior to arrival and with a negative result) or if the ship comes from an unauthorized country or destination, it must be quarantined for 14 days prior to arrival in Costa Rica. The days cruising by the vessel from the last port recorded in the vessel log (departure or zarpe) will be taken as part of the 14 days of quarantine until it reaches Costa Rica port.

4. By going to a tourist marina recognized by CIMAT in Costa Rica. The corresponding Marina will issue a formal document with all the details of the boat, crew, passenger names, and identification, with the estimated date of arrival and will send it electronically, to the respective Migration office, Ministry of Health, Port Captain and all interested authorities party, for the coordination of the official visit.

In the event of an emergency arrival, the Marina will coordinate with the port captain the attention of the vessel in accordance with the existing regular procedures, but complying with the aforementioned requirements.

<https://www.ict.go.cr/en/documents/material-de-apoyo-coronavirus/declaraciones-del-ict/1800-statement-aclaratorio-ingreso-en-yates-y-veleros-01-09-2020/file.html>

All Marinas must apply the sanitary protocol ICT-P-009:

<https://www.ict.go.cr/es/documentos-institucionales/material-de-apoyo-coronavirus/protocolos-ict-sector-privado/1722-protocolo-ict-p-009-transporte-acuatico-tour-y-viajes-recreativos/file.html>

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