



ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA DESTINATION WEDDINGS

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What are the protocols surrounding weddings and events outside of hotels? (Beaches, Villas, Restaurants, etc)

Although these events are hosted at beaches, villas and speciality restaurants, the protocols established regarding physical (social) distancing, handwashing, wearing of masks etc. as stipulated by the Central Board of Health must be adhered to.

2. What will be the procedures to get approval for wedding & reception venues moving forward?

All tourism businesses must comply with the following:

For Villas – the facility must possess a COVID-19 Certification to operate. Registration for inspection and certification continues at the Ministry of Tourism Headquarters at Queen Elizabeth Highway in the Government Office Complex between 8:30 am to 12 noon. Please contact Ms. Camesha Joseph at 468-4061 for more information.

Restaurants – Owners should contact the Central Board of Health for inspection and approval to operate.

3. Will guest numbers be based on venue size - as has been the case for churches and funerals on island?

Yes. Similar to churches, funerals and indoor dining at restaurants, the number of guests allowed is based on the venue size. *Contact the Central Board of Health for more information at 1 (268) 562-6153*

4. There have been numerous events over the last few weeks that have had an attendance over the 25-person maximum. What needs to be done to receive this approval?

Please refer to answers to questions 2 & 3, above.

5. What are expected of the guests once at an event? Are guests expected to wear masks as well as adhering to the social distancing protocols?

Yes, guests are expected to wear masks and adhere to the social distancing protocols.

6. **We would like to request a review of the (6) six-foot social distancing rule. The World Health Organisation released a minimum of three (3) feet social distancing.**

Contact the Ministry of Health 1 (268) 462 5522 for updated information regarding the set policy for social distancing.

7. **What are the protocols for a three to seven-day visit and couples wishing to have the wedding off the property they are staying at?**

All visitors arriving on island are subject to the Quarantine Authority's protocols and guidelines shown on, www.visitantiguabarbuda.com/travel-advisory/

8. **What is the 25-guest count inclusive of? Does it include the staff required to execute the event?**

The guest count does not involve event staff.

9. **What are the protocols for a private plane (all passengers attending wedding)?**

All visitors arriving on island are subject to the Quarantine Authority's Protocols and Guidelines. See www.visitantiguabarbuda.com/travel-advisory/ for list of requirements.

10. **Will the Ministry of Tourism keep planners updated on the rapidly changing protocols as soon as they change?**

Tourism enterprises should visit www.visitantiguabarbuda.com/travel-advisory/ for the latest COVID-19 Advisories and Protocols established by the Quarantine Authority.

11. **Who is our point person within the Ministry of Tourism and who is our point person within the Ministry of Health?**

For Tourism business-related matters, you may contact the Ministry of Tourism at 1 (268) 463-9522/9523.

For matters relating to the established health and safety protocols, you may contact the Ministry of Health at 1 (268) 462-5522.