If you are not required to quarantine on arrival

Once you've completed your COVID-19 PCR test, you'll be requested to self-isolate at home or at your hotel until you receive your negative result. If your test is positive, you will need to follow further formalities.

You must also take a COVID-19 PCR test on day 6 and day 12 of your arrival into Abu Dhabi. If you're part of the National Vaccination Programme you'll only need to test on day 6.

Find your closest clinic at etihad.com/destinationguide. PCR testing in the UAE starts from AED 85. If you are required to quarantine, you must take a COVID-19 PCR test on day 8. You'll be notified of the date and location of your appointment by text message.

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If you have been in quarantine, your wristband will be removed on day 10 following your negative test result. Now it's time to discover the best of Abu Dhabi. Book activities and experiences at etihad.com/holidays. If you're travelling to another emirate, you will need to follow the arrival procedures for that emirate.

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Head to your home or hotel

If you are required to quarantine, you must self-isolate in your home or hotel for 10 days or 5 days if fully vaccinated and you are a UAE national or resident. If you are travelling from a country deemed high-risk by the UAE authorities, you may be subject to quarantine in a government facility. If you are not required to quarantine and have received your negative result, enjoy your stay in Abu Dhabi and follow further testing requirements.

Take a COVID-19 PCR test in Abu Dhabi

If you are exempt from quarantine, you must take a COVID-19 PCR test on day 6 and day 12 of your arrival into Abu Dhabi. If you're part of the National Vaccination Programme you'll only need to test on day 6. If you are required to quarantine, you must take a COVID-19 PCR test on day 8. You'll be notified of the date and location of your appointment by text message.

If you are required to quarantine on arrival

Once you've completed your COVID-19 PCR test, you'll be required to self-isolate at home or at your hotel for 10 days. If your test is positive, you will need to follow further formalities. Once you've cleared immigration, you'll also be fitted with a medically approved wristband for the duration of your quarantine and required to sign a quarantine undertaking form.

If you are not required to quarantine on arrival

Once you’ve completed your COVID-19 PCR test, you’ll be requested to self-isolate at home or at your hotel until you receive your negative result. If your test is positive, you will need to follow further formalities. You must also take a COVID-19 PCR test on day 6 and day 12 of your arrival into Abu Dhabi. If you’re part of the National Vaccination Programme you’ll only need to test on day 6.

Take a COVID-19 PCR test

For peace of mind and protection, COVID-19 PCR testing is mandatory for all flights. Most destinations require you to take your test 72 hours before your flight departure time. All destinations have different requirements, always check testing times before you fly at etihad.com/destinationguide.

Find a copy of your COVID-19 PCR test result to present at check-in. You will also need to download the ALHOSN app before you fly, the official COVID-19 results and contact tracing app in the UAE.

Updated 3 May, you are exempt from quarantine if you have travelled on a direct flight from:

- Australia
- Bhutan
- Brunei
- China
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Iraq
- Israel
- Japan
- Jordan
- Kuwait
- Lebanon
- Nepal
- New Zealand
- Nigeria
- Oman
- Pakistan
- Philippines
- Qatar
- Russia
- Saudi Arabia
- South Africa
- South Korea
- Taiwan
- Tajikistan
- United Kingdom
- Uzbekistan
- Vietnam

UAE Residents and nationals will not need to quarantine if arriving from the countries above. There are different testing times depending on your vaccination status. Read more.