Information for flying from Pakistan to Abu Dhabi and beyond

If you are flying from Pakistan, here are some simple steps you will need to take in order to ensure your safety.

Booking your flight

Book your flight at etihad.com or your local travel agent. Only UAE Residents will be able to enter Abu Dhabi and you must have ICA approval before you can fly. We recommend that you do not book your flight until you have received ICA approval, which can be secured at www.smartservices.ica.gov.ae. Those transferring in Abu Dhabi to onwards destinations must ensure they are compliant with the regulations of their final destination. Please ensure you provide a direct telephone number when you book.

Negative COVID-19 test mandatory to travel

You must complete a COVID-19 PCR test within 96 hours prior to travel and be able to present a negative test result before you fly. Your negative test result must be issued no more than 96 hours prior to arriving in Abu Dhabi. Children up to the age of 12 years do not need to complete the PCR test if they are travelling with their parents. Test results will only be accepted from an authorised Chughtai testing lab. We recommend that your test takes place a minimum of 48 hours prior to travel.

- Please inform Chugthai labs you are flying with Etihad and provide your 6-letter Etihad booking reference number. Your PCR test result can then be linked to your booking.

- If you have booked your flight after taking your PCR test, you must contact Chughtai labs to provide your Etihad booking reference number. If you do not do this, you will not be able to board your flight.

Check your test results

It is your responsibility to check your lab results before you travel and secure a negative PCR test certificate. Test results can take between 24 to 48 hours to arrive. Etihad Airways will only accept tests from approved Chughtai labs.

Arrive at the airport in plenty of time

We recommend you arrive at the airport check-in 3 hours prior to departure. Please ensure you wear a face mask and gloves at all times, observe social distancing and use hand sanitiser regularly. All guests must wear a mask to be able to enter the airport and only guests who have a negative PCR certificate and no symptoms will be allowed to check in. Remember to bring your negative PCR test certificate and ICA approval with you.

Prepare to check-in

- Check-in opens 3 hours prior to your departure time.
- Show your negative PCR certificate when you check-in.
- You will only be allowed to carry a personal item on board, such as a handbag, backpack or laptop bag. This can weigh up to 5kg. You can check-in your remaining cabin baggage for free. This applies if you are flying in Economy, Business or First.

Arriving and transferring in Abu Dhabi

- Those arriving in Abu Dhabi must hold a valid UAE resident visa and ICA approval number – you will not be permitted to enter the UAE otherwise. You will be required to undertake PCR and thermal testing when you arrive in Abu Dhabi, and are required to self-isolate for 14 days.
- Those transferring in Abu Dhabi must adhere to the airport guidelines.

Etihad Airways approves COVID-19 test results from Chughtai labs in Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad and other cities in Pakistan.

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