Mauritius added to France's green list and all travel restrictions lifted

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(Port Louis, Mauritius, 17 February 2022) – Since border reopening, Mauritius has implemented a comprehensive health protocol to safely welcome vaccinated travellers in the country. Such measures have enabled France to move the destination to its green list and lift all travel restrictions.

The French government has announced today that Mauritius has joined the "green" category of countries. The announcement was made by the Secretary of State for Tourism, Jean-Baptiste Lemoyne. This classification was introduced on 9 June 2021 and has been updated several times. The decision to add Mauritius to the green list is a very positive signal.

Countries listed in the "green" category are considered by France as destinations where the coronavirus is not actively circulating and where no worrying variants have been detected. Therefore, France does not require any compelling reason, quarantine or negative COVID-19 test upon return.

This encouraging decision is further strengthened by the measures announced yesterday by the Prefecture of Reunion Island to ease travel restrictions with Mauritius. Travel between the two islands is no longer subject to compelling reasons.

The protocols for entry into the country remain the same. To travel to Mauritius, French visitors must simply provide proof of a complete vaccination schedule at least 14 days prior to travel and a negative PCR test taken within 72 hours of departure. Vaccinated travellers will not have to undergo any particular formality upon their return to France and will only have to present a complete vaccination schedule.

Vaccination in Mauritius began in late January 2021. To date, more than 74% of the total population has been fully vaccinated. In order to ensure a smooth recovery of the tourism sector, the destination has implemented protocols to protect both foreign visitors and the local population.

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