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Visitor Guidelines for Tourists Visiting Filladhoo

1. Introduction

The Filladhoo Council warmly welcomes all visitors to our island. Filladhoo is a peaceful community rich in Maldivian culture, traditions, and natural beauty. To ensure a pleasant experience for both visitors and residents, tourists are kindly requested to follow these guidelines during their stay.

2. Purpose

These guidelines are established to:

- Protect the island's natural environment
- Preserve traditional and cultural heritage
- Promote respectful interaction between visitors and the local community
- Ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all

3. Visiting Traditional and Community Areas

- Dress modestly when visiting inhabited areas, cultural sites, and public spaces
- Seek permission before entering private property
- Always ask consent before taking photographs of local people, homes, or activities
- Maintain quiet and respectful behavior, especially near mosques and schools
- Follow any instructions provided by local authorities or guides

4. Environmental Protection Guidelines

Filladhoo is surrounded by fragile marine and coastal ecosystems. Visitors are expected to:

- Do not litter; dispose of waste only in designated bins
- Avoid use of single-use plastics where possible
- Do not damage coral reefs or step on corals while swimming or snorkeling
- Do not collect or remove shells, sand, or marine life
- Avoid disturbing wildlife, including birds and marine species
- Use reef-safe sunscreen to protect marine ecosystems

5. Beach and Lagoon Use

- Swimwear is allowed only at designated bikini beaches or approved areas
- Wear appropriate clothing when moving to and from the beach
- Respect the privacy and comfort of other visitors and residents
- Avoid loud music or disruptive behavior in public beach areas

6. Respecting Local Culture and Traditions

- The Maldives is a Muslim country; visitors are expected to respect Islamic values and customs
- Avoid public displays of affection
- Alcohol is strictly prohibited on local islands
- Show respect during prayer times and religious practices
- Be polite and considerate when interacting with locals

7. Safety and General Conduct

- Follow all local laws and council regulations
- Do not engage in illegal or inappropriate activities
- Follow guidance from guesthouses, tour operators, and council officials
- Report any concerns to your accommodation provider or local authorities

8. Conclusion

The Filladhoo Council appreciates your cooperation in respecting our island's environment, culture, and community. By following these guidelines, you help preserve the beauty and traditions of Filladhoo for future generations while enjoying a meaningful and memorable visit.