

## News: New visa changes benefitting yacht visiting or staying in The Maldives

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— Asia Pacific Superyachts Maldives Branch was established by Mohamed Hameed, based on his 15 years of experience in the Marine industry.

The General Manager is happy to share good news for yachts returning to the Maldives or interested in a holiday exploring the area. The Maldives region has proven to be a Superyacht vacation paradise and one of the best travel destinations in the world. Now it's even easier and less costly for yachts – now you can get 90 day stay, unlike previous regulations.

The duration of the stay allowed in Maldives for yachts and other tourist vessels remains the same – however, the big change is that every tourist will receive a 30 day visa on arrival and the visa can be extended for another 60 days, before expiry of the first 30 days.

This is effective with the original passport and recent passport size photograph submittal and fee for the extension period of 60 days. Basically, this means every tourist can stay 90 days under the new visa changes in the Maldives, per entry; and now the yachts/tourist vessels also will receive the same changes and receive a total 90 days per entry. This is 'good news' for those planning or thinking about heading to the Maldives!

The superyacht company offers a wide range of services all over the Maldives through the head office in Male' (Capital) and two branch offices in the Northern Part of HA; Uligan (North Thiladhunmathi Atoll) and the Southern Part of S. Gan (Addu Atoll). Fuel and ship store items are supplied duty free directly to vessels with provisions and locally available items at very reasonable prices.

For superyachts cruising in the atolls, a variety of diving, fishing and surfing is offered with five star island resorts sprinkled throughout, their display of natural beauty untouched. Among the 1,100 miniscule coral islets of the Maldives' archipelago, sugar-white beaches are sanctuary to countless sea birds, while thriving coral reefs host an endless variety of exotic fish and marine life.

The Capital island of Malé is among the largest of the group known as the Maldives. It is a tiny dot of land that covers an area of approximately one square mile and hosts a population of more than 70,000.

The Malé based Asia Pacific Superyachts branch operation team will guarantee your cruise to the Maldives will be a comfortable and problem free Port of Call. The new regulations simply make the Maldives that much better!

The company is a member of Association of Yacht Support Services (AYSS). Recent Superyachts visiting the Maldives using APS Maldives services can be viewed at <http://www.asia-pacific-superyachts.com/aps-maldives> or email [mohammed@asia-pacific-superyachts.com](mailto:mohammed@asia-pacific-superyachts.com) or [pr-comm@asia-superyacht-rendezvous.com](mailto:pr-comm@asia-superyacht-rendezvous.com) with questions and for further information.