



GOVERNMENT OF THE PITCAIRN ISLANDS

SUBSIDISED TRAVEL & BAGGAGE POLICY

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INTRODUCTION

i. RATIONALE

The cost of travel for tourist visitors to and from Pitcairn Island, on the GPI charter vessel, is calculated by the Foreign Commonwealth Development Office (FCDO) HMG and the PIO. The cost adjustment helps to offset the cost of Pitcairn's budgetary aid.

The cost of Pitcairn's chartered vessel, Silver Supporter, increased in March 2024.

The travel fare for tourist visitors to Pitcairn Island was therefore adjusted to NZD \$6,000 for a single Mangareva to Pitcairn return berth, effective as of April 1 2024.

GPI's governance partners recognise there is a need for managed subsidised travel for specific categories of travellers. This group includes: permanent residents of Pitcairn Island and their families, approved medical evacuation travellers, approved patient support persons, approved new migrants and approved HMG/GPI contracted staff and technical support contractors and consultants.

All costs are priced are in NZD

ii. OBJECTIVES

To provides current, accurate and accessible information about subsidised travel costs for all relevant travellers to and from the Pitcairn Islands.

PROVISIONS

1.0. GPI CHARTER TRAVEL BETWEEN PITCAIRN ISLAND AND MANGAREVA OR TAHITI

- 1.1. Normally resident Pitcairn Islanders: \$500 NZD each way / per person;
- 1.2. Family members of normally resident Pitcairn Islanders and those with Right of Abode: NZD \$1,000 NZD each way / per person;
- 1.3. Normally resident medical patients travelling for GPI MO approved medical evacuation or treatment referrals: No Charge;
- 1.4. GPI MO approved essential Patient Support Persons: No charge. Nonessential patient support persons \$500 NZD each way / per person;
- 1.5. Governor approved new settlers: \$500 NZD each way / per person;
- 1.6. FCDO, HMG Officials and contracted staff: No charge;
- 1.7. GPI approved technical support consultants and contracted staff: No charge;
- 1.8. GPI approved scientists and researchers: \$2,500 NZD each way / per person.

2.0. BAGGAGE ALLOWANCES

- 2.1. Onboard the GPI charter vessel – 4 items of baggage of no more than 20kg each, and 2 carry on bags. This requirement also includes crates, tote boxes etc.
- 2.2. Excess baggage carried on the GPI charter vessel will be measured by the captain and billed to the traveller via the Pitcairn Islands Office.

- 2.3. Air Tahiti flights between Mangareva and Papeete have their own baggage policies and restrictions. It is the responsibility of all travellers to ensure that they are aware of the applicable baggage allowances on such flights, arrange air freight for excess baggage as needed, and to pay all relevant costs incurred.

3.0. GPI CHARTER TRAVEL BETWEEN NEW ZEALAND AND PITCAIRN ISLAND

- 4.1. Normally resident Pitcairn Islanders: \$500 NZD each way / per person;
- 4.2. Family members of normally resident Pitcairn Islanders and those with Right of Abode: NZD \$500 NZD each way / per person;
- 4.3. Formally approved prospective partners of normally resident Pitcairn Islanders, available for each Pitcairn resident only once every two years;
- 4.4. Normally resident medical patients travelling for GPI MO approved medical evacuation or treatment referrals: No Charge;
- 4.5. GPI MO approved essential Patient Support Persons: No charge. Nonessential patient support persons \$500 NZD each way / per person;
- 4.6. Governor approved new settlers: \$500 NZD each way / per person;
- 4.7. FCDO, HMG Officials and contracted staff: No charge;
- 4.8. GPI approved technical support consultants and contracted staff: No charge;
- 4.9. GPI approved scientists and researchers: \$2,500 NZD each way / per person.

4.0. SUBSIDISED ELIGIBILITY LIST AND EXCEPTIONS

- 4.1. The following persons are eligible travel on GPI Charters between New Zealand and Pitcairn Island on supply runs under category 2(b) above:
- 4.2. All permanent residents of Pitcairn Island and their:
 - a. Parents
 - b. Grandparents
 - c. Great Grandparents
 - d. Children
 - e. Grandchildren
 - f. Great Grandchildren
 - g. Siblings
 - h. Nephews
 - i. Nieces
 - j. Aunts
 - k. Uncles
 - l. Prospective Partners *
- 4.3. In exceptional circumstances, such as where a Pitcairn Islander does not have any family in the above categories, the Administrator will consider written applications for more distant family member, others with Right of Abode or a very close friend to travel and will advise Council and the applicant of the decision no more than 7 days of the application having been made.

* Subsidised travel for formally approved prospective partners of normally resident Pitcairn Islanders, is available for each Pitcairn resident only once every 2 years.