



COVID TESTING IN COZUMEL MEXICO

Starting January 26, 2021, the United States Center for Disease Control (CDC) will require proof of a negative COVID-19 test, or proof of recovery from COVID-19, before boarding an international flight. This test must be taken within 72 hours of your departure on any flight that lands on U.S. soil - even if that is just a layover on your way to another country. Passengers will be required to present written or electronic documentation to airline agents before boarding.

At this time, the CDC requires either a NAAT (PCR nasal swab) or an antigen test (rapid test). Canada requires the PCR or LAMP test. Travelers who test positive will be required to quarantine in Mexico for 14 days and must have a negative COVID-19 test.

The good news is, this process is not new to Cozumel. The island has been providing testing to Canadian guests for several weeks now. There are several options available and medical personnel, the tourism department and hotels/resorts are actively working on new options to make this as easy as possible for all.

At Dive with Martin, our first priority is your safety and health. We know this has been a stressful year for everyone and we want to make sure you feel comfortable coming to Cozumel to enjoy our beautiful island. We will continue to provide information to help you in making the best decisions for you, your family and friends. While on the island, please reach out to us if you need assistance with setting up your testing.

TESTING AT HOTELS/RESORTS

Several of the hotels and resorts will have the rapid antigen tests (and medical staff to administer) available at a low cost or no cost to their guests. Please contact your hotel or resort to find out if this will be offered, the cost, how to set up an appointment and how long it will take for the results.

TESTING AT LOCAL HOSPITALS

COSTAMED (CMC)

A very modern private hospital located [here on the island](#). This hospital offers PCR and rapid antigen tests. To make an appointment: Email frontdeskcozumel@costamed.com.mx or call toll free from the US 855.301.4111 or from a US phone in Mexico + 52 800 900.1133 for an appointment. In addition to stated prices, they will come to your house or hotel to perform tests for an additional \$300-\$500 mxn.

- Rapid Antigen Test is \$999 mxn (approx \$50 US). Results the same day.
- NAAT/PCR (Nasal Swab) is \$2499 mxn (approx \$125 US). Results 24-48 hrs.

AMERIMED COZUMEL

A private hospital located on [Calle 85 on the corner of Adolfo Rosado Salas](#). To make an appointment, call +52-987-872-5555.

- Rapid Antibody (IgI/IgM) Test is \$800 mxn (approx \$40 US). Results in 3 hours.
- PCR Test is \$2850 mxn (approx. \$140 US). Results in 24 - 48 hours.

MÉDICA SAN MIGUEL

A private hospital [located on Calle 6, between Ave, 5 & 10](#). San Miguel offers only the rapid antigen test. Regular testing hours are 7a-2p. To make an appointment, call +52 987-872-0103.

- Rapid Antigen Test is \$799 mxn (approx \$40 US). Results in 20 minutes.
- PCR Test is \$2500 mxn (approx. \$125 US). Results in 24 - 48 hours.

INTERNATIONAL HOSPITAL

A top-tier private hospital known for its hyperbaric chamber and diver emergency facilities is located on [Calle 5 Sur, between Melgar and Ave 5](#). To make an appointment, call +52-987-872-1430.

- NAAT/PCR (Nasal Swab) is \$2400 mxn (approx \$129 US). Results in 2 days.
- Rapid Antibody (Igl/IgM) Test is \$950 mxn (approx \$42 US). Results in 1 hour.

OTHER PLACES TO GET TESTED

HOUSE CALL FROM DR. JUAN ARELLENO

Dr. Arelleno is a board-certified physician who runs an in-home 24 urgent care service. He is able to come to your hotel/resort/condo to administer one of the following types of test. He works closely with a local lab and the results and necessary report will be emailed to you. To contact him by phone or WhatsApp: + 52-987-104-1713. To email him: urg24hrs@gmail.com. To contact him via Facebook messenger: www.facebook.com/24urg

- Rapid Antigen Test is \$800 mxn (approx \$40 US). Results in 30-45 minutes.
- PCR Test is \$3000 mxn (approx. \$150 US). Results in 24 - 48 hours.

FARMACIAS DEL AHORRO

This pharmacy advertises the antigen testing, and at the best price, however, a local source contacted them and was told they are only testing symptomatic people and you have to be in line at 9 am. Pharmacy with three locations in the downtown area. These are easily located on Google Maps. Walk-in service with results in 15 minutes.

- Rapid Antigen Test \$249+tax = \$347 mxn (approx \$20 US)

**COVID-19 testing is available, easily accessible, and reasonably priced here on the island!
Don't let this new regulation stop you from coming to Cozumel to enjoy life!**

(Thanks to Scuba Luis for letting us borrow from their information sheet)