

Photography/Videography Hanifaru Marine Protected Area

Baa Atoll was declared as a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve on 28th June 2011. Any type of photography and Videography in any area of Biosphere Reserve can only be conducted with the permit from Environmental Protection Agency.

According to Hanifaru Protection and Preservation Regulation 23-R/2012, permit from EPA must be taken in order to conduct Videography or Photography in Hanifaru Marine Protected Area.

Application:

- Application forms are available at www.epa.gov.mv.
- Filled application must be submitted to Environmental Protection Agency or Baa Atoll UNESCO Biosphere Reserve.

Submission:

- Completed form must be submitted to EPA or Baa Atoll UNESCO Biosphere Reserve office, in-between 9:00am to 12:00 and 13:00- 14:30, on government working days.
- Form must be submitted via mail or fax, two weeks prior to the date of commencement of the Research.
- Permit will not be issued for incomplete forms as well as forms with false information.

Duration:

- The maximum duration of stay per day is 6 hrs. Hanifaru Protection and Preservation Regulation 23-R/2012 regulation states that the carrying capacity of Hanifaru Marine Protected Area is 80 at a given time. Hence the permitted hours are given with condition that it doesn't exceed to the above stated carrying



capacity of the HMPA.

Charge:

#	Details	Fee/US\$	
		Photography	Videography
1	Charges per day	US \$ 250	US\$ 250
2	Charge per person for single entry (Only in Hanifaru Marine Protected Area	US \$ 10	US \$ 10

Terms and Conditions

- The person the permission is granted to shall abide by the “Hanifaru Protection and Preservation Regulation 23-R/2012 “while conducting the program at Hanifaru MPA. (Visit EPA website www.epa.gov.mv to download the Regulation).
- The person the permission is granted to shall take full responsibility for any breach in regulation during the course of the program.
- Failure to comply with the Regulation will incur penalty based instruments such as suspension or cancellation of permits, injunctions, remediation, orders and pecuniary penalties under the Environment Protection and Preservation Act (4/93), Hanifaru Protection and Preservation Regulation 23-R/2012 and Environmental Liability regulation 9-R/2011
- The permit is only given for underwater videography/ photography Hanifaru Marine Protected Area, any other research or investigation at Hanifaru Marine Protected Area is strictly prohibited to the bearer of this permit.



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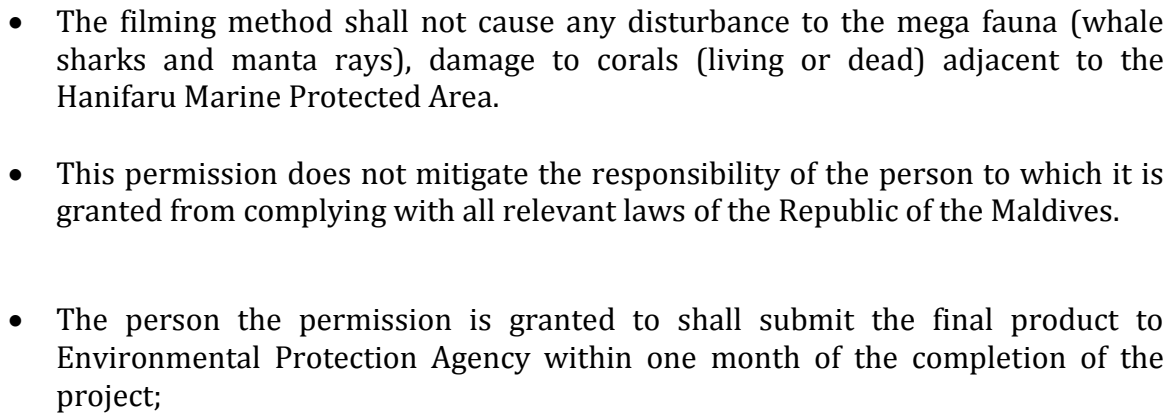
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