## SAFETY AND SECURITY MEASURES - TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

### **Reinforcement of Security Measures in Hotels**

(as from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2008 and subsequent amendments)

#### a) 24 hour CCTV

Hotel should be equipped with 24 hour camera surveillance with upgraded and modernised recording system.

#### b) 24-hour watchmanship on the hotel premises

The number of watchmen on a hotel premise determined on a case basis with consideration given to the topography, layout, surroundings, use of watchdogs, location and the coverage by the CCTV.

# c) 24-Hour Surveillance - Monitoring Control Room

- A proper security control room should be set up in every hotel with restricted access.
- For small hotels (less than 60 rooms), a control point with monitoring facilities should be set up. Yet, care must be taken to protect all CCTV and other information from being viewed by unauthorized individuals.

### d) Access Control/ Electronic Locking System

Hotels can opt for either:

- an online system, or,
- offline locks with expiring cards (referred to as re-activator)

# e) Digital Safe

Hotels need to be equipped with safes supporting user codes of at least four (4) digits and allow for an audit trail of at least 100 entries

### f) Screening of Employees

#### Tourist residences and guesthouses

(as from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2008 till Date)

### • Burglar alarm system with rapid response

Tourist residences and guesthouses should be equipped with an integral burglar alarm system linked to a security company offering rapid response.

#### • 24-hour C.C.T.V

Tourist residences and guesthouses of 5 rooms and above should also be equipped with a 24-hour camera surveillance with recording system. Existing systems will have to be upgraded and modernised in terms of infrared colour camera, high-image resolution, memory, good quality recording and reading.

#### Digital safe

A 4-digit pin code operated electronic safe, affixed to the wall in a concealed position, should be provided to protect guests' valuables.

## • Emergency telephone numbers

A list of emergency telephone numbers should be displayed in a conspicuous place so that the emergency services can be contacted quickly.

### Security awareness

A leaflet containing safety tips to advise tourists on the basic precautions to take to ensure that their stay is as pleasant and safe as possible and designed by the MTPA should be made available.

# **Reinforcement of Security Measures in Hotels** Tourist residences and guesthouses (as from 1st October 2008 till Date) (as from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2008 and subsequent amendments) A Certificate of morality/Certificate of character should be a pre- Certificate of Morality requisite for all new recruits. A period of up to eight weeks will be A Certificate of Morality will be a pre-requisite for the employment of allowed for those who are not yet in possession of a certificate of security staff (watchman) in tourist residences and guesthouses of 5 morality but show proof of having applied for one. rooms and above. g) Security Norms Every hotel should enforce the following security norms as may be recommended by a security consultant/expert: Dog handling services at night within hotel compound Electric Golf Car Surveillance Security boat (with low noise pollution engines) surveillance Bike Patrol Surveillance Segway (with low noise pollution engines) patrol surveillance Security guards to clock in at specific security zones and alarm to sound in control area in case of non-compliance Motion detector camera (infrared) h) Emergency telephone numbers

The room directory must provide a list of emergency telephone

A leaflet designed by the MTPA containing security tips to advise tourists on the basic precautions to take to ensure that their stay is as

safe and pleasant as possible should be made available.

numbers.

i) Security awareness

Monitoring & Compliance Unit Tourism Authority 28<sup>th</sup> May 2014