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COVID-19: MTA INSPECTS OUTLETS

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Throughout Monday 23nd March 2020, the Malta Tourism Authority continued with its inspections of catering establishments and other premises in both Malta and Gozo.

In Malta, around 360 additional inspections were carried out in 29 different localities across the island. The focus was on towns and villages which are outside the main touristic areas which were given priority in the first days of inspections. These included Marsa, Żejtun, Swatar, Msida, Ta' Xbiex, Fgura, Żabbar, Xgħajra, Kalkara, Cospicua, Vittoriosa, Senglea, Fleur-De-Lys, Iklin, Mrieħel, B'Kara, Salini, Xemxija, Armier/Little Armier, Naxxar, Ċirkewwa, Marfa, Għadira, Mellieħa, Golden Bay, Balzan, Attard, San Ġwann and Għargħur.

This latest series of inspections brings the total number of verifications that have been carried out in Malta since the Legal Notice came into force to more than 3800.

In addition, MTA's inspectors in Gozo checked another 170 establishments in different towns and villages all over the sister island.

Once again, MTA is pleased to note that no establishments in Malta and Gozo were found to be in breach of the regulations.

On the other hand, the Authority would like to, once again, reiterate its appeal to the general public to avoid queuing up in large numbers outside such establishments, and to keep a safe distance away from others if it is necessary to wait in line.

Anyone who encounters any breaches is kindly requested to inform the authority via the helpline: 21692447 or email: <u>tourismcovid-19helpline@visitmalta.com</u>.

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