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## Britain cuts cost of health service’s COVID-19 travel tests

London.—Britain said yesterday it was cutting the cost of COVID-19 tests for travel from the National Health Service (NHS) and was reviewing the list of private providers to ensure pricing is transparent, warning it would clamp down on misleading pricing. Testing is free for people with symptoms of COVID-19 but all tests used for travel have to be purchased. The travel industry, which has been hammered by the pandemic, has long complained that the costs of tests are too high. The United Kingdom operates a “traffic light” system for international travel, with low-risk countries rated green for quaran-

tine-free travel, medium risk countries rated amber, and red countries requiring arrivals to spend 10 days in isolation in a hotel. People arriving from green and amber-list destinations must take at least one such test to avoid fines of up to 2,000 pounds. The Department of Health and Social Care said the cost of NHS travel tests will be reduced from 88 pounds to 68 pounds for arrivals from green list countries or fully vaccinated arrivals from amber list countries and from 170 pounds to 136 pounds for two tests for arrivals from amber countries who are not fully vaccinated.



## All aboard for big event

British actor and comedian Griff Rhys Jones aboard his classic yacht *Argyll* which is competing in the Illes classic yacht race in the Bay of Palma this weekend. PHOTO: INSTAGRAM

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# DON'T FORGET YOUR COVID PASSPORT

From yesterday attendance at large cultural and sporting events in the Balearics will require vaccination certification or proof of a negative test. This measure was approved by the Balearic government earlier this month. Capacities, according to the government’s wording, are maximum 50%, 1,000 people indoors and 5,000 outdoors. All those attending who are over the age of 12 will need proof of vaccination, or of hav-

ing recovered from Covid, or of having had a Covid diagnostic test (negative) no more than 48 hours before the event. **Risk assessment** Authorisation for increased maximum capacities at certain events may be requested from the relevant government department. This will be based on risk assessment and the current health situation. The capacity at the Visit Mallorca Estadi (Son Moix Stadium) for Real Mallorca

matches has for now been set at 40% of capacity - 8,775 people. Opposition party Vox have filed an appeal against this measure, claiming that it is discriminatory and a violation of personal freedom and privacy. The high courts in four regions - Andalusia, the Canaries, Cantabria and Galicia - have overturned similar measures. At present, the only region to require the “Covid passport” for attendance at large events is the Balearics.



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