



International Civil Aviation Organization

MID RVSM Seminar
(*Manama, Bahrain, 9 October 2023*)

**and Middle East Regional Monitoring Agency Board
Nineteenth Meeting (MIDRMA Board/19)**
(*Manama, Bahrain, 10 – 11 October 2023*)

BULLETIN

1. LOCATION

1.1 The MID RVSM Seminar and the Nineteenth meeting of the Middle East Regional Monitoring Agency Board (MIDRMA Board/19) will be kindly hosted by Bahrain Civil Aviation Affairs (BCAA) in Manama. The events will be conducted back-to-back during the period **9 and 10 – 11 October 2023**.

1.2 The exact venue will be **The Gulf Hotel Bahrain** <https://www.gulfhotehbahrain.com/>.

2. SCHEDULE OF THE EVENTS

2.1 The Opening Sessions of the events will be held at 09:00 Manama local time.

2.2 The schedules and order of the day will be announced at the Opening Sessions.

2.3 The events will be conducted in English language.

3. REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

3.1 Participants are requested to register to obtain a participant badge, at the Registration Desk located at the entrance of the designated conference between 08:30 and 09:00 hours on the opening days. Participants are requested to wear the Identification Badge during the events' sessions.

4. DOCUMENTATION

4.1 Please note that no documentation will be available in hard copy format. However, documentation related to the events will be available on the ICAO MID Regional Office website. Accordingly, participants are invited to review the documentation prior to the events in preparation for the discussion during the sessions, as appropriate.

5. HOTEL RESERVATIONS

5.1 A list of hotels with Bahrain CAA corporate rate is **attached** for your convenience with contact details and addresses. Participants will need to arrange their own hotel reservation.

6. TRANSPORTATION

6.1 Participants are required to arrange their own Airport transportation.

6.2 Airport Taxi Services operate private services from the airport to the city, and its neighborhoods at approximately BHD 15 per vehicle.

6.3 Car rental agencies are located at the airport terminal.

6.4 Participants are required to arrange the daily commute to/from the venue.

7. INSURANCE

7.1 Participants are advised to have insurance coverage for any unexpected contingency including transport hazards (taxi, buses, rented cars, etc.) and Medical Coverage.

8. SOME USEFUL TRAVEL INFORMATION

PASSPORT

8.1 All foreign nationals entering Bahrain must possess valid passports or other valid documents for travel. Documents with less than six months to run before expiry are not acceptable.

VISA

8.2 Bahrain CAA will provide necessary assistance for the issuance of entry Visas for the delegates, when needed.

8.3 With a view to assist in the process of issuance of entry visa to Bahrain, copy of the passport of delegate should be sent, as soon as possible, **not later than 20 September 2023**, to the attention of Mrs. Maryam A.Razaq, email: maryam.ahmed@mtt.gov.bh; Tel: +973 17 33 7671.

CUSTOMS

8.4 The following items may be brought into Bahrain duty free:

- a. Personal effects, such as necessary clothing
- b. 200 cigarettes or 250 gr. of cigars or tobacco
- c. Perfume for personal use.

8.5 Additional quantities of the above items may also be purchased at Bahrain International Airport duty free arrival shops before clearing customs. Non-Muslims may purchase reasonable quantities of alcoholic drinks at this outlet.

9. CURRENCY, CREDIT CARDS AND BANKING SERVICES

9.1 The unit of currency in Bahrain is the **Bahraini Dinar (BHD)**. The unit is divided into notes of 1, 5, 10 and 20. The Dinar to USD exchange rate is approximately 1 BHD = 2.6 US\$.

9.2 There are restrictions on the import of foreign currency. Not more than 50,000 BHD allowed.

9.3 International Credit Cards, such as American Express, Diners Club, Visa, Master Card, Carte Blanche, etc. are usually accepted at most hotels, department stores and restaurants.

9.4 All commercial banks exchange major foreign currencies, Banks working hours are from 0800 to 1500, Sundays through Thursdays. There are plenty of official exchange services. ATM machines are available all over Bahrain.

10. OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

SHOPPING

10.1 Be prepared to bargain in small shops, sidewalk vendors etc. In large stores, however, the prices are fixed.

TAP WATER

10.2 It is recommended that all visitors drink only bottled water/beverages, however, tap water is safe for drinking.

TELEPHONE

10.3 Mobile SIM Cards are available at the Service providers' outlets at the airport arrival terminal and all major commercial centers.

11. WEATHER CONDITIONS

11.1 The main daily maximum and minimum temperatures for the month of October are between 40°C by day and drops down to 30°C during the nights. Please refer to Bahrain Meteorology website for further updates: <http://www.bahrainweather.gov.bh/>

12. OTHER ASSISTANCE

12.1 Bahrain Civil Aviation Affairs will be glad to assist the participants to the events with any advice they may require.

12.2 In case of emergency in Bahrain, please call the Focal Point from Bahrain CAA Mr. Mohammed Jasim Ameen, email: mohamed.ameen@mtt.gov.bh; Mob: +973 36 55 6444.

Bahrain Civil Aviation Affairs Corporate Rate Hotels List

Hotel	Room type	Room Rate (per night, with all applicable tax and charges)	Service charges	Breakfast
The Gulf Hotel Bahrain	Superior Room	BHD 92.000	BHD 2.000	Included
Asdal Gulf Inn Bahrain	Standard Room	BHD 58.000	BHD 2.000	Included
The K Hotel Juffair	Deluxe Room	BHD 61.000	BHD 2.000	Included
Novotel Al Dana Resort	Superior Room	BHD 69.000	BHD 2.000	Included
Wyndham Garden Juffair	Deluxe Room	BHD 59.000	BHD 2.000	Included

Remarks: Changes / Cancellation Charges apply.

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