ADHERENCE TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE FOR THE PROTECTION OF TOURISTS

STEP 1: ADHERENCE TO THE ICPT
- Voluntary and non-legally binding
- Member States of UNWTO and the United Nations
- States undertake to integrate the ICPT into their relevant policies, legislations and regulations and to report to the UNWTO Secretary-General on the application of the ICPT within their country

STEP 2: NOTIFICATION OF ADHERENCE
- Adherence can be full or partial- there is no established form but models are provided for reference
- Model Notification for Full Adherence (to be sent to icpt@unwto.org)
- Model Notification for Partial Adherence (to be sent to icpt@unwto.org)

STEP 3: SUBMISSION TO THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES
- Submission to national authorities with power to legislate and/or take other action (adopt policies, regulations, etc.) for consideration
- Taking best efforts to integrate the principles and recommendations of the ICPT in the relevant legislation, regulations, and policies of the country
- Designate one or more national authorities responsible for ensuring coordination at national level in respect of the matters dealt with in the ICPT and for contributing to the effective application of its recommendations

STEP 4: REPORTING SYSTEM
- One year after the notification of adherence
- States will report to the UNWTO Secretary-General on the status of application of the ICPT and, subsequently, on the measures taken within their country
- Sharing knowledge, best practices and lessons learnt

SOURCE: UNWTO