

# Square Dancing again, what will it take?

December 01, 2020

The Oregon Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs has been restricted from dancing since the end of February 2020 due to the state of emergency created by the COVID-19 Pandemic. We will eventually be able to dance again as the restrictions due to the emergency abate. We have outlined the current status and some considerations to use for planning when we are able to begin dancing again.

## State of Oregon Information.

Definitions:

**OHA** Oregon Health Authority

**Social-Gatherings, Indoor** “Indoor social get-together” means a group of individuals meeting for a common social or recreational purpose indoors. Indoor social get-togethers include but are not limited to indoor dinner parties, birthday parties, graduation parties, celebrations of any kind, potlucks, book clubs, game nights, and other similar indoor gatherings. Indoor social get-togethers do not include gatherings.

**Gatherings** “Gathering” means a group of individuals meeting for a common purpose including faith-based, civic, cultural and other purposes, indoors or outdoors. A gathering does not include an indoor social get-together. **A square-dancing event would be considered a gathering.**

Restrictions in effect:

Newsroom site: <https://www.oregon.gov/newsroom/Pages/Newsroom.aspx?category=Safety>

**November 17, 2020** Governor Kate Brown today issued Executive Order 20-65 following [last week's announcement](#) of a statewide freeze to stop the rapid community spread of COVID-19 in Oregon. In light of increasing COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations, the order outlines necessary risk reduction measures designed to limit gatherings and curb human contact.

**November 13, 2020,** Governor Kate Brown today announced a statewide Two-Week Freeze, implementing new measures to limit gatherings and stop the rapid spread of COVID-19 across Oregon. The Two-Week Freeze measures will be in effect from Nov. 18 through Dec. 2, statewide. The Two-Week Freeze measures include:

- Limiting social get-togethers (indoors and outdoors) to no more than six people, total, from no more than two households.
- Limiting faith-based organizations to a maximum of 25 people indoors or 50 people outdoors.
- Limiting eating and drinking establishments to take-out and delivery only.
- Closing gyms and fitness organizations.

- Closing indoor recreational facilities, museums, indoor entertainment activities, and indoor pools and sports courts.
- Closing zoos, gardens, aquariums, outdoor entertainment activities, and outdoor pools.
- Limiting grocery stores and pharmacies to a maximum of 75% capacity and encouraging curbside pickup.
- Limiting retail stores and retail malls (indoor and outdoor) to a maximum of 75% capacity and encouraging curbside pickup.
- Closing venues (that host or facilitate indoor or outdoor events).
- Requiring all businesses to mandate work-from-home to the greatest extent possible and closing offices to the public.
- Prohibiting indoor visiting in long-term care facilities (outdoor visitation permitted for supporting quality of life).

The Two-Week Freeze does not apply to or change current health and safety protocols for personal services (such as barber shops, hair salons, and non-medical massage therapy), congregate homeless sheltering, outdoor recreation and sports, youth programs, childcare, K-12 schools, K-12 sports currently allowed, current Division 1 and professional athletics exemptions, and higher education — all of which can continue operating under previous guidance issued by the Oregon Health Authority.

<https://www.oregon.gov/newsroom/Pages/NewsDetail.aspx?newsid=37702>

**October 27, 2020**, Governor Kate Brown today extended her declaration of a state of emergency regarding COVID-19 for an additional 60 days, until January 2, 2021. Executive Order 20-59  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/18537UyQYYmDq35ePysn5ZWgi2hFsLb6l/view>

**October 19, 2020**, An update to masks, face coverings or face shields Guidance.

This guidance further specifies mask requirements and where it applies. It identifies Business & public responsibilities. Document OHA2288K **Page 16**.

**July 22, 2020**, Beginning July 24, 2020, the following new requirements will apply:

Face Coverings.

- Face coverings will be required for all Oregonians ages five and up in indoor public spaces and outdoors when six feet of distance cannot be maintained.
- Face coverings will be required even in cases of physical exertion indoors, and outdoors when six feet of distance cannot be maintained.

Businesses

- The maximum indoor capacity limit is capped at 100 for all venues in Phase II counties and for restaurants and bars in Phase I or II counties.
- Restaurants and bars will be required to stop serving customers at 10:00 P.M statewide.

Reopening Guidance:

<https://govstatus.egov.com/or-covid-19#forEmployees>

<https://govstatus.egov.com/or-covid-19/>

Statewide Reopening Guidance - Gatherings, Indoor Social Get-Togethers  
Documents: OHA 2351G (08/28/2020)

County Info: A link to each Oregon County.

<https://govstatus.egov.com/oregon-county-contacts>

Phase One Reopening Guidance – Gatherings, Indoor Social Get-Togethers  
Not addressed.

Phase Two Reopening Guidance – Venue and Event Operators  
Documents: OHA 2351A (08/31/2020), OHA 2351D (9/01/2020)

Phase Three Reopening Guidance  
Mass gatherings such as major concerts or sporting events with live audiences will require a reliable COVID-19 treatment or vaccine.

## Oregon Federation Information.

Insurance:

USDA United Square Dancers of America

<http://www.usda.org/insuranc.htm>

Elizabeth Sanders, Insurance Coordinator

Markel Insurance Company Current insurer policy

Policies: General Liability # 3602HF059663 – 22

Accidental Medical # 4102HF059664 – 23

*Statement: From Elizabeth Sanders 8/25/2020, I presented the following question to the insurance company in June. "Is the insurance still good even if the state government has said no public gatherings?" Their answer was:*

*"If people break the law then there is no coverage. So, if there are no public gatherings and people gather -- there is no coverage."*

A side note, Neither the Caller or the Cues of an event will be covered under the USDA policy (see policy # 3602HF059663 – 22 pg. 207). They will need to rely on their coverage from their respective organizations.

ROUNDALAB International Association of Round Dance teachers

*Statement: We have recently had a conversation with our insurance underwriter. Please be aware that your insurance policy purchased through ROUNDALAB specifically excludes coverage for all viruses and communicable diseases. The underwriter also stated that it is best practice if the event is within all parameters of the law and government guidelines. Your insurance policy specifically excludes "criminal acts". However, there may be a large "grey area" between a best practice that meets all details of current government guidelines in your area and an event that is considered "criminal". He indicated that if a*

*claim were to be filed and the event was in the "grey area" that the event would be evaluated on a case by case basis to determine if the insurance coverage was in effect for that event.*

ROUNDALAB cannot and does not issue legal opinions. This includes opinions regarding when you can resume dancing or what you must do when resuming.

CALLERLAB International Association of Square Dance Callers  
Statement: Pending (09/03/20)

Opinion: As I understand it, the insurance companies will probably not cover a COVID related incident. They do go on to say that if an event violates State laws or directives, then an incident, no matter what kind is not covered.

Waivers:

The intent of a waiver is to indemnify or hold harmless, the people who have responsibility for the venue, organization or are hosting the event. The participants by signing the waiver essentially agree to forgo their right to take legal action against the responsible parties for the identified activity should an incident defined in the waiver occur.

Creating a waiver needs to be done carefully as it will be considered a legal document. I recommend that someone with a background with legal documents and contracts be involved with preparation of a waiver. I have collected examples of waivers from several sources to be used as a reference.

Rules of Conduct:

Each club in our organization has rules of conduct that are followed while conducting an event. These may or may not be in writing, depending upon the club. Additional direction should be added to ensure that each club member knows what the restrictions currently in effect are. Education is one of the most powerful tools that we have to ensure everyone's safety while conducting our activity.

*Respectfully submitted: Timothy Keck, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President 12/01/2020*

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-65**

**TEMPORARY FREEZE TO ADDRESS SURGE IN COVID-19 CASES IN OREGON**

Since January 2020, the State of Oregon has been engaged in responding to the public health threat posed by the novel infectious coronavirus (COVID-19). As the threat escalated, the State's response elevated to meet the threat. On March 8, 2020, I declared a state of emergency pursuant to ORS 401.165 et seq., and directed certain immediate response actions. Thereafter, the World Health Organization declared that the COVID-19 outbreak is a global pandemic, and the President of the United States declared the COVID-19 outbreak a national emergency.

During March and April 2020, as COVID-19 continued to spread around the world, I took a series of actions aimed at slowing the spread of the virus, and to mitigate the public health and economic impacts of the pandemic. On March 23, 2020, I ordered Oregonians to "Stay Home, Save Lives," directing individuals to stay home to the greatest extent possible, ordering the closure of specified retail businesses, requiring physical distancing measures for other public and private facilities, and imposing requirements for outdoor areas and licensed childcare.

Those actions helped prevent and control the spread of COVID-19 in Oregon, and increased the state's preparedness to live with this virus until a vaccine or cure can be found. Following the success of these early measures, in late April and early May 2020, I began to take steps to ease the restrictions that had been imposed in March and April. I signed executive orders directing the State to begin a data-driven, phased reopening.

This reopening process has been gradual and cautious, and has not been linear. In response to rising case numbers during the summer, I imposed additional measures, including face-covering requirements for individuals. Outbreaks and community spread in certain counties also have required us to reimpose restrictions at times, to maintain public health and safety. Even before the current surge in cases, it was clear that continued work was necessary to bring virus levels down to where it is safe for K-12 schools across the state to fully reopen for in-person instruction, among other critical priorities.

Over the past nine months, Oregon has fared better than many other states when it comes to the health impacts of COVID-19. However, this virus has remained very dangerous even in Oregon. As of today, there have been at least 58,570 cases and 778 deaths in Oregon, with more than 11 million cases and more than 247,000 deaths from COVID-19 nationwide.



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And right now, in Oregon, like the rest of the country, new cases of COVID-19 are spiking at an alarming rate, as we enter cold and flu season, as the weather turns and grows colder, and as Oregonians spend more time indoors. We have gone from seeing around 200-300 cases a day in September, to over 1,000 cases a day in mid-November. These cases are occurring in communities around the state. And test positivity is increasing sharply as well, an indication that COVID-19 is widespread in our communities.

This is a very dangerous situation.

As a result, our hospitals have been sounding the alarm. Hospital census due to COVID patients needing hospitalization is growing rapidly across most of the state. Hospitals have started to utilize tools to maximize patient access to hospital beds, but the tools are not infinite. In recent days, several hospitals across the state have voluntarily begun to reduce some surgeries to preserve beds and staff capacity. This is not just happening in Oregon. The dreaded winter surge is here. Infection records are being set in states across the country. This means we cannot look to other states to share their staffing and hospital beds because they too are experiencing the surge.

The cycle of this virus is such that if we are seeing case rates topping 800-1,000 per day now, that means our hospitals are headed for very dark days ahead. Actions taken now will help prevent lives from being lost—not just from COVID-19, but from other diseases or accidents that lead people to need hospital-level care, which they would not be able to get if hospital beds and hospital staff are fully occupied with COVID-19 patients.

The situation is dire, and requires an urgent, immediate, and decisive response to quell the current surge in COVID-19 infections, before it is too late.

### **NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED THAT:**

Pursuant to ORS 401.168, ORS 401.175, ORS 401.188, ORS 433.441, and ORS 401.035, I am ordering the following:

1. **Effective date:** This Executive Order is effective Wednesday November 18 through Wednesday December 2, unless extended or terminated earlier by the Governor.

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2. **Temporary freeze to control surging COVID-19 cases:** In light of the ongoing spike in COVID-19 cases, the state will enter a “freeze period” for the duration of this Executive Order. During the freeze period, the following restrictions will be in place, with additional definitions, details, and safety protocols outlined in Oregon Health Authority (OHA) guidance for activities that are allowed to proceed.
3. **Gatherings during the freeze period:** Gatherings present particular risks for the spread of COVID-19, as sustained contact with others in large or small groups presents an increased risk of spreading the disease and, in the event an infected person attends a large gathering, makes the work of rapid, effective contact-tracing much more difficult. Accordingly, pursuant to ORS 401.168(1), ORS 401.188(2), and ORS 433.441(3)(a), (b), (d) and (f):
  - a. **At home and social gatherings**, as defined in OHA guidance, are limited to a maximum of 6 people, from not more than two households.
  - b. **Faith institutions** may remain open, but are limited to a maximum of 25 people indoors, or 50 outdoors, and must comply with applicable OHA guidance. No food or drinks may be served for on-site consumption, unless integral to a religious service. During the freeze period, individuals and institutions are strongly encouraged to consider remote, drive in, or outdoor options, or canceling or postponing the event, if possible.
  - c. **Funeral services/ceremonies held at funeral homes, mortuaries, cemeteries or faith institutions** may take place, but are limited to a maximum of 25 people indoors, or 50 outdoors, and must comply with applicable OHA guidance. No food or drinks may be served for on-site consumption, unless integral to a religious service.
  - d. Paragraph 3 of this Executive Order does not apply to workplaces, banks and credit unions, gas stations, hotels or motels, shelter and meal programs, encampments of people experiencing homelessness, health care facilities, pharmacies, child care facilities, schools, higher education institutions, the state executive, legislative, and judicial branches, federal government, local governments, and tribal governments, or other businesses or activities (e.g., retail, including



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grocery stores) that are subject to other directives in my Executive Orders or OHA guidance.

- e. The Governor, or OHA with the Governor's approval, may modify the directives of paragraph 3 of this Executive Order, via guidance, as necessary.

4. **Business and sector-specific restrictions during the freeze**

**period:** Pursuant to ORS 401.168(1), ORS 401.188(1) to (3), and ORS 433.441(3)(a), (b), and (f), businesses must comply with any applicable OHA guidance, including but not limited to employer guidance, and face coverings guidance, which may be amended from time to time. Additionally, the following requirements apply:

a. **Food and drink establishments:**

- (1) During the freeze period, restaurants, bars, taverns, brew pubs, wine bars, wineries, cafes, food courts, coffee shops, clubs, or other similar establishments that offer food or drink may not offer or allow on-premises consumption of food or drink, inside or outside. Establishments may offer food or drink for off-premises consumption (e.g., take-out or drive-through) or for delivery.
- (2) Paragraph 4(a)(1) of this Executive Order does not apply to health care facilities, child care facilities, workplaces, government buildings, emergency response activities, school-based food programs, encampments of people experiencing homelessness, and shelter and meal programs serving vulnerable populations. Such places are encouraged to use physical distancing, staggered schedules, take-out, and other similar measures to reduce the risk associated with the spread of COVID-19, and must follow any applicable OHA guidance.

- b. **Certain businesses and activities closed/prohibited during the freeze period:** Subject to any modifications made to the following list (through OHA guidance, at the direction of the Governor), operation of the following businesses and activities are prohibited during the freeze period:



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- (1) Gyms and fitness organizations;
- (2) Indoor recreational activities, museums;
- (3) Venues that host or facilitate indoor or outdoor events, unless they are hosting an event that is allowed to proceed under sector-specific guidance, and are in compliance with that guidance;
- (4) Zoos, gardens, aquariums, outdoor entertainment activities as defined in OHA guidance;
- (5) Indoor pools, sports, sports facilities or athletic activities.

c. **Certain sectors subject to OHA guidance during the freeze period:** Certain specified sectors of Oregon's economy may continue to operate during the freeze period, provided that they comply with applicable sector-specific OHA guidance, amended from time to time, which may set forth mandatory safety protocols, capacity limits, and additional restrictions beyond what had been in place prior to the freeze period. Activities and businesses subject to this requirement include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Grocery stores and pharmacies may continue to operate, but are limited to 75% capacity;
- (2) Retail, farmers markets, indoor and outdoor malls, and state agency operations that serve the public may continue to operate, but are limited to 75% capacity;
- (3) Personal services, as defined in OHA guidance;
- (4) Outdoor recreation and outdoor sports, including Division 1 college sports;
- (5) Drive-ins;
- (6) Transit, youth programs, self-service operations, and such other sectors for which OHA issues freeze period guidance.



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- d. **Sectors without specific prohibitions or OHA guidance** may operate, provided they comply with any applicable OHA guidance, including but not limited to guidance for employers.
- 5. **Workplace restrictions during the freeze period:** Pursuant to ORS 401.168(1), ORS 401.188(1) to (3), and ORS 433.441(3)(a), (b), (d) and (f):
  - a. All businesses and non-profit entities with offices in Oregon shall facilitate telework and work-at-home by employees, to the maximum extent possible. Work in offices is prohibited whenever telework and work-at-home options are available, in light of position duties, availability of teleworking equipment, and network adequacy.
  - b. When telework and work-from-home options are not available, businesses and non-profit entities must designate an employee or officer to establish, implement, and enforce physical distancing policies, consistent with OHA guidance. Such policies also must address how the business or non-profit will maintain physical distancing protocols for business-critical visitors.
  - c. Businesses and non-profit entities must comply with any applicable OHA guidance, including but not limited to guidance for employers. This Executive Order does not apply to offices and buildings owned or occupied by the state legislative and judicial branches, federal government, local governments, and tribal governments.
- 6. **Remote, drive-through, and outdoor options encouraged:** For all activities not prohibited during the effective dates of this Executive Order, individuals, families, businesses, event organizers and faith leaders are strongly encouraged to consider remote, drive-through, curbside, delivery and outdoor options, or canceling or postponing the activity.
- 7. **Exceptions:** In addition to the exceptions set forth in the directives above, the following settings are exempt from the requirements of this Executive Order, although they must continue to comply with other Executive Orders and related guidance applicable to their operations.



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- a. **Higher education, schools, childcare, youth programs:** Higher education institutions shall continue to comply with Executive Order 20-28, including as extended or modified by further Executive Orders, and any guidance from the Higher Education Coordinating Commission. Childcare facilities, and any expansion or restriction of childcare services, will proceed pursuant to Executive Order 20-19, including as modified by further Executive Orders, and any guidance from the Department of Education, Early Learning Division, Office of Child Care. K-12 schools continue to be subject to Executive Order 20-29, including as extended or modified by further Executive Orders, and any guidance from the Department of Education or OHA. Settings covered by the Executive Orders listed in this subparagraph are exempt from the requirements of this Executive Order. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Executive Order, youth programs and programs caring for children that are operated by government entities must continue to comply with applicable OHA guidance issued under the authority of Executive Order 20-27.
  - b. **Shelters and emergency response:** Emergency response activities, shelter and meal programs serving vulnerable populations, and encampments of people experiencing homelessness are exempt from the requirements of this Executive Order. They must, however, continue to comply with applicable OHA guidance.
  - c. **Certain employer-provided housing:** Settings covered by Executive Order 20-58 must continue to comply with Executive Order 20-58, and are exempt from the requirements of this Executive Order.
8. **Guidance to implement the directives of this Executive Order:** All activities allowed to proceed during the freeze period are required to follow additional safety protocols, including but not limited to protocols around capacity limits and limits on the number of people; physical distancing; face coverings; hand hygiene; enhanced cleaning protocols; and other protocols to facilitate the public health response to COVID-19. The particulars of these mandatory safety protocols will depend on the activity. These additional mandatory safety protocols will be provided for in OHA guidance. Accordingly, I order the following:



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a. **OHA to issue guidance for the public, employers, and sectors:**

- (1) I delegate to OHA the authority to develop and issue, and from time to time revise, binding guidance for the public, for employers, and for particular sectors of the economy, to implement the directives of this Executive Order. OHA guidance may also provide definitions, clarifications, or needed modifications to the directives in this Executive Order. Guidance issued by OHA pursuant to this authority is part of the directives of this Executive Order, and will be approved by the Governor before issuance. Upon approval, it will be published online at the OHA website (<https://govstatus.egov.com/OR-OHA-COVID-19>) and also on Governor Brown's website (<https://govstatus.egov.com/or-covid-19/>).
- (2) As described more fully in paragraph 11 of this Executive Order, once approved by the Governor and published, guidance issued to implement this Executive Order is enforceable to the same extent this Executive Order is enforceable.

b. **Compliance with OHA guidance:** In order to continue to control the spread and risk from COVID-19 in Oregon, individuals, businesses, and other covered entities are directed to comply with applicable OHA guidance issued under the authority of this Executive Order. Sectors without specific prohibitions or guidance shall operate under any generally applicable OHA guidance, including but not limited to guidance for employers.

c. **Existing guidance:** Existing OHA guidance, issued under the authority of Executive Orders in effect, will continue in effect, provided that it is not inconsistent with the directives of this Executive Order. Individuals and businesses are directed to continue to comply with that guidance as well.

9. **Executive Order 20-27:** Directives of Executive Order 20-27, and any guidance and modifications issued pursuant to that Executive Order by



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agencies, with the exception of directives regarding travel, remain in effect to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the directives of this Executive Order. However, where the two are inconsistent, this Executive Order, and guidance issued under it, supersedes the directives of Executive Order 20-27 and any guidance issued under that Executive Order.

10. **Legal effect:** This Executive Order is issued under the authority conferred to the Governor by ORS 401.165 to 401.236. Pursuant to ORS 401.192(1), the directives set forth in this Executive Order shall have the full force and effect of law, and any existing laws, ordinances, rules and orders shall be inoperative to the extent they are inconsistent with this exercise of the Governor's emergency powers.
11. **Enforcement:**
  - a. This Executive Order, and any guidance issued by OHA or another state agency designated by the Governor to implement this Executive Order, are public health laws as defined in ORS 431A.005, and may be enforced as permitted under ORS 431A.010, including but not limited to enforcement via civil penalties as provided in that statute, which has a statutory maximum fine of \$500 per day per violation.
  - b. In addition to any other penalty that may be imposed under applicable laws, any person, business, or entity found to be in violation of this Executive Order or any guidance issued by OHA or other state agencies to implement this Executive Order is subject to the penalties described in ORS 401.990, in particular, that any person knowingly violating this executive order shall, upon conviction thereof, be guilty of a Class C misdemeanor, which is punishable by 30 days in jail or a fine of \$1,250 or both.
  - c. I direct other state agencies with regulatory enforcement authority, including but not limited to Oregon Occupational Safety and Health (Oregon OSHA) and the Oregon Liquor Control Commission, to continue their efforts to protect the lives and health of Oregonians by enforcing the directives in this Executive Order under existing civil enforcement authorities.
  - d. I direct the Superintendent of the Oregon State Police to coordinate with law enforcement agencies throughout the state to enforce the



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directives of this executive order, as appropriate. It is my expectation that law enforcement agencies will primarily focus on referral to civil enforcement authorities, and will reserve criminal citations for willful and flagrant violations of this order.

- e. These enumerated enforcement mechanisms are in addition to any other private rights of action or other enforcement mechanism that may exist in statute or at common law, or under federal law.
  - f. Businesses and other entities that fail to comply with the applicable requirements of this Executive Order, or guidance issued to implement this Executive Order, may be closed until they demonstrate compliance.
12. **Severability:** If any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Executive Order is for any reason held to be invalid, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Order.
13. **Discretion; no right of action:** Any decision made by the Governor pursuant to this Executive Order is made at her sole discretion. This Executive Order is not intended to create, and does not create, any individual right, privilege, or benefit, whether substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the State of Oregon, its agencies, departments, or any officers, employees, or agents thereof.

Done at Salem, Oregon, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

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Kate Brown  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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Bev Clarno  
SECRETARY OF STATE



Activities	Lower Risk	Moderate Risk	High Risk	Extreme Risk
<b>Social and At-Home Gathering Size — Indoor</b>	Max 10, recommended limit 4 households	Max 8, recommended limit 2 households	Max 6, recommended limit 2 households	Max 6, recommended limit 2 households
<b>Social and At-Home Gathering Size — Outdoor</b>	Max 12	Max 10	Max 8	Max 6, recommended limit 2 households
<b>Eating and Drinking Establishments</b>	Indoor Dining available at 50% capacity, 12:00a Close, Outdoor Dining 300 cap, max 8 per table.	Indoor Dining available at 50% capacity or a max 100 (whichever is smaller), max 6 per table. 11:00p Close, Outdoor Dining 150 cap, max 8 per table	Indoor dining available, not to exceed 25% capacity, max 50 capacity, 11:00p Close Outdoor Dining Available, max capacity 75, max 6 per table, limit 2 households	Takeout highly recommended. Outdoor dining, max 50 capacity, 11:00p Close, max 6 per table, limit 2 households
<b>Indoor Recreation and Fitness Establishments (includes gyms, fitness organizations, indoor recreational sports, indoor pools, indoor K-12 sports, indoor collegiate sports, indoor personal training, indoor dance)</b>	Max 50% capacity	Max 50% capacity or 100 total (whichever is smaller)	Max 25% capacity or 50 total (whichever is smaller)	Prohibited
<b>Indoor Entertainment Establishments (includes aquariums, indoor theaters, indoor arenas, indoor concert halls, indoor gardens, indoor museums, indoor entertainment activities of any kind, indoor event spaces)</b>	Max 50% capacity	Max 50% capacity or 100 total (whichever is smaller)	Max 25% capacity or 50 total (whichever is smaller)	Prohibited
<b>Retail Stores (includes Farmers' Markets, Grocery Stores, Convenience Stores and Pharmacies)</b>	Max 75% of capacity, encourage curbside pick-up	Max 75% of capacity, encourage curbside pick-up	Max 50% of capacity, encourage curbside pick-up	Max 50% of capacity, encourage curbside pick-up
<b>Indoor and Outdoor Shopping Centers/Malls</b>	Max 75% of capacity, encourage curbside pick-up	Max 75% of capacity, encourage curbside pick-up	Max 50% of capacity, encourage curbside pick-up	Max 50% of capacity, encourage curbside pick-up
<b>Faith Institutions, Funeral Homes, Mortuaries, Cemeteries</b>	Indoor max 75% capacity 300 outdoor	Indoor max 50% capacity or 150 total (whichever is smaller), 250 outdoor	Indoor max 25% capacity or 150 total (whichever is smaller), 200 outdoor	Indoor max 25% capacity or 100 total (whichever is smaller), 150 outdoor
<b>Offices</b>	Limited office work available	Recommend remote work if able	Recommend remote work if able	Require remote work if able, close offices to the public
<b>Outdoor Recreation and Fitness Establishments (includes outdoor gyms, outdoor fitness organizations, outdoor recreational sports, outdoor pools, outdoor parks and hiking trails, outdoor campsites, outdoor K-12 sports, outdoor collegiate sports, outdoor personal training, outdoor dance)</b>	Max 300	Max 150	Max 75	Max 50
<b>Outdoor Entertainment Establishments (includes Zoos, outdoor gardens, outdoor aquariums, outdoor theaters, outdoor stadiums, outdoor event spaces, outdoor arenas, outdoor concert halls, outdoor entertainment activities of any kind)</b>	Max 300	Max 150	Max 75	Max 50
<b>Personal Services</b>	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed
<b>Long-Term Care</b>	Visitation allowed	Visitation allowed	Visitation allowed	Outside visitation only

- All activities are subject to more detailed, sector-specific guidance.
- Subject to more detailed sector-specific guidance, all activities assume mask usage, minimum physical distancing, provisions for hand hygiene and enhanced cleaning protocols.
- Congregate homeless sheltering, Youth Programs, Childcare, K12 Schools, Higher Education, Drive In Operations and current Division 1 and Professional Athletics exemptions operate under sector specific guidance for all risk levels.

**Document accessibility:** For individuals with disabilities or individuals who speak a language other than English, OHA can provide information in alternate formats such as translations, large print, or braille Contact the Health Information Center at 1-971-673-2411, 711 TTY or [COVID19.LanguageAccess@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:COVID19.LanguageAccess@dhsosha.state.or.us)



**Effective Date:** November 18, 2020

## Statewide Freeze Guidance – Outdoor Recreational Sports, Limited Return to Play for Specified Sports

**Authority:** Executive Order No. 20-65, ORS 433.441, ORS 433.443, ORS 431A.010

**Applicability:** This guidance applies to outdoor recreational sports practice, training and play for specified sports statewide. All indoor recreational sports are prohibited at this time.

**Enforcement:** To the extent this guidance requires compliance with certain provisions, it is enforceable as specified in Executive Order No. 20-65, paragraph 11.

**Definitions:** For purposes of this guidance, the following definitions apply:

- “Full-contact sports” means sports that require or are likely to have routine or sustained close proximity or physical contact between participants, and includes but is not limited to football, rugby, wrestling, cheerleading, basketball, hockey, dance, water polo, men’s lacrosse.
- “Minimal- and medium-contact sports” include but are not limited to softball, baseball, soccer, volleyball, women’s lacrosse, flag football.
- “Non-contact sports” include but are not limited to tennis, swimming, golf, skiing, cross-country, track and field, sideline/no-contact cheer and dance.

### Overview:

The risk of transmitting the COVID-19 virus depends on a number of factors including:

- 1) Number of people in a location
- 2) Type of location (indoor versus outdoor)
- 3) Distance between people
- 4) Length of time at location
- 5) Level of protective equipment used (e.g. face coverings)

As general guidance, smaller groups are safer than larger; outdoor locations are safer than indoor; sports that can ensure distance of six (6) feet or more are safer than closer contact; and shorter duration is safer than longer. Recreational sports directors and coaches need to consider all these factors as they plan to return to play.

Full-contact sports are prohibited at this time. Outdoor training and conditioning, such as weightlifting, running drills and intra-squad scrimmaging, cannot include full contact of any kind.

## General Requirements:

### Leagues, coaches, officials, players and trainers are required to:

- Prohibit all recreational sports **indoors**, including conditioning, training and competition.
- Prohibit staff, officials and players who have any [symptoms of COVID-19](#) from entering the premises or sporting location.
- Discourage any person, including players, at risk for severe illness or with serious underlying medical conditions from attending any sporting activities.
  - If a player, volunteer or spectator displays symptoms of COVID-19, a staff member should ask them to leave the premises, provide the individual with a face covering, face shield or mask, and help the individual minimize their contact with others before leaving the facility. Immediately disinfect all areas used by the sick person.
- Close water fountains, except for those designed to refill water bottles without contact between the bottle and fountain. Encourage players to bring prefilled water bottles.
- Comply with the [Statewide Mask, Face Covering, Face Shield Guidance](#). Wear a mask, face covering, or face shield, when actively participating in an outdoor sport. The face covering is meant to protect other people in case you are infected. People can spread COVID-19 to others even if they do not feel sick.
- Post [clear signs](#) about the mask, face covering, or face shield requirements.
- Communicate all policies and facilities information to players/participants, officials, parents, guardians, and caregivers prior to resuming or beginning the season.
- Close indoor and outdoor licensed swimming pools, licensed spa pools and indoor sports courts.

## Cleaning and Disinfection:

### Leagues, coaches, officials and trainers are required to:

- Frequently clean and disinfect shared equipment. This includes, but not limited to, equipment such as bats and rackets. Use disinfectants that are included on the [Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\) approved list](#) for the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes COVID-19.
- Require staff, officials and players to practice healthy hygiene including washing their hands frequently and covering their sneezes and coughs. Wash hands often with soap

and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after touching shared objects or blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.

- If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains 60-95% alcohol content. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they are dry.
- Encourage players and officials to bring their own hand sanitizer for personal use. Leagues are encouraged to provide handwashing stations and/or hand sanitizer.
- Frequently clean and disinfect high-traffic areas, and commonly touched surfaces in areas accessed by staff, players and spectators.
- Ensure restrooms are cleaned and disinfected prior to and after any league activity.

**To the extent possible, leagues, coaches and trainers should:**

- Assign a designated monitor to make sure players/participants keep six (6) feet of physical distance, including at entrances, exits, restrooms and any other area where people may gather.
- Use a “one-in-one-out” policy, where only one individual is permitted within the restroom at one time.

## **Distance and Occupancy:**

**Leagues, coaches, officials and trainers are required to:**

- Limit the maximum capacity for each outdoor recreational sporting event to 50 people outdoors.
- Maintain physical distancing of at least six (6) feet per person.
- Develop and implement a plan to limit the number of spectators admitted into the premises so that all staff, volunteers, contractors and spectators can keep six (6) feet of physical distance.
- Assign a designated monitor to make sure that spectators keep six (6) feet of physical distance, including at entrances, exits, restrooms and any other area where people may gather.
  - Maintaining physical distance is particularly important for people with [underlying medical conditions](#). These groups are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19.
- Encourage everyone at the outdoor sports facility, including all players, coaches, officials, volunteers and independent contractors, to keep a physical distance of at least six (6) feet from individuals not residing in the same household, especially in common areas.
- When multiple sporting events occur at the same outdoor sports facility at the same time, leagues, coaches and trainers are required to:
  - Ensure players and spectators for sporting events do not share space, including but not limited to restrooms.

- Clean and sanitize commonly touched surfaces, such as door handles, between subsequent games or events.
- Ensure that high-traffic areas such as entrances, exits, check-in tables and restrooms are cleaned and sanitized between subsequent games and events.
  - ♦ If teams and spectators at the same sporting event share a restroom, leave entrance/exit doors open, if possible, and ensure that commonly touched surfaces such as stall door handles and faucets are regularly cleaned and sanitized.
- To the extent possible, outdoor sports facility operators should:
  - ♦ Stagger arrival and departure times for staff, players and spectators to minimize congregating at entrances, exits and restrooms to follow required physical distancing requirements.
  - ♦ Provide separate entrances/exits for staff, players and spectators.
- Assign designated areas for managers and coaches, when not practicing/playing, to ensure physical distancing is maintained.

## **Training and Playing:**

### **Leagues, officials, coaches and trainers are required to:**

- Ensure that there is only minimal or medium contact among participants/players needed to play the game.
- Prohibit handshakes, high fives, fist/elbow bumps, chest bumps and group celebrations.
- Space out player equipment to prevent players coming into direct contact with one another.

### **To the extent possible, leagues, officials, coaches and trainers should:**

- Encourage players to use only their own equipment when feasible. Avoid or minimize equipment sharing, when feasible.
  - Some critical equipment may not be available to each player. When it is necessary to share critical or limited equipment, all surfaces of each piece of shared equipment must be cleaned and disinfected frequently, as appropriate for the sport (e.g. between players, sets, periods, or games). Use disinfectants that are included on the [Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\) approved list](#) for the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes COVID-19.
  - Clean all equipment that directly contacts the head, face and hands with extra attention and detail.
- Encourage players or their family members to clean and disinfect equipment after each use, where feasible.
- Allow only trainers, coaches and players to attend practices to ensure physical distancing and prevent people from gathering.
- Require people to enter the premises through a designated entrance and exit through a designated exit. Use signs to direct one-way flow of traffic. Consider scheduling and

staggering arrival times to the premises to minimize large numbers of individuals arriving and exiting at the same time.

- Stay outside of the premises (e.g. in vehicles) until scheduled practice or play time. This allows people to leave the premises before entering and minimizes gathering. Encourage players and players' families to do the same.

### **Additional Resources:**

- [Signs you can post](#)
- [Statewide Mask, Face Covering, Face Shield Guidance](#)
- [Statewide K-12 School Sports, Limited Return to Play Guidance](#)

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## Statewide Reopening Guidance - Gatherings, Indoor Social Get-Togethers

**Authority:** Executive Order No. 20-27, ORS 433.441, ORS 433.443, ORS 431A.010

**Applicability:** This guidance applies statewide to gatherings and indoor social get-togethers.

**Enforcement:** To the extent this guidance requires compliance with certain provisions, it is enforceable as specified in Executive Order 20-27, paragraph 26.

**Definitions:** For purposes of this guidance, the following definitions apply:

- **“Gathering”** means a group of individuals meeting for a common purpose including faith-based, civic, cultural and other purposes, indoors or outdoors. A gathering does not include an indoor social get-together.
- **“Indoor social get-together”** means a group of individuals meeting for a common social or recreational purpose indoors. Indoor social get-togethers include but are not limited to indoor dinner parties, birthday parties, graduation parties, celebrations of any kind, potlucks, book clubs, game nights, and other similar indoor gatherings. Indoor social get-togethers do not include gatherings.

### Maximum Capacity Limit:

- For phase 1 counties the maximum capacity for gatherings is:
  - 50 people indoors
  - 50 people outdoors
- For phase 2 counties the maximum capacity for gatherings is:
  - 50 people indoors
  - 100 people outdoors
- Statewide, no matter what phase a county is in, the maximum capacity for an indoor social get-together is:
  - 10 people indoors.
- The maximum capacity limits described in this guidance do not apply to gatherings or indoor social get-togethers at a location covered by other sector-specific Oregon Health

Authority (OHA) guidance, as those locations have their own maximum capacity limits and other restrictions. Sector-specific locations to which OHA guidance applies includes, but is not limited to venues, restaurants and bars, retail locations, indoor and outdoor entertainment facilities, fitness related organizations, higher education institutions, schools, and child care programs.

## General:

**To the extent possible operators and organizers of gatherings and indoor social get-togethers should:**

- Consider outdoor gatherings when possible.
- Encourage people to stay home if they have COVID-19 symptoms and/or if they are at risk for severe illness (over age 65 or have underlying medical conditions).
- Encourage guests to practice good hand hygiene with frequent handwashing for at least 20 seconds or to use hand sanitizer (60-95% alcohol content).
- Encourage guests to cover coughs/sneezes with elbow or tissue. If a guest uses a tissue, they should immediately throw the tissue away in the garbage and wash their hands.
- Encourage guests to avoid touching their face.
- Require guests to use masks, face shields or face coverings. If the [Statewide Mask, Face Shield, Face Covering Guidance](#) applies to the location where the gathering is being held, masks, face shields or face coverings are mandatory. Review [OHA sector-specific guidance](#) for locations where the Statewide Mask, Face Shield, Face Covering Guidance applies.
- Ensure that ventilation systems operate properly for indoor gatherings. Increase air circulation as much as possible by opening windows and doors, using fans, or employing other methods.

## Distance and Occupancy:

**Operators of gatherings are required to:**

- Determine maximum occupancy of each indoor and outdoor area to maintain the requirement of at least six (6) feet of physical distance between parties, and limit number of individuals on the premises accordingly. Use 35 square feet per person as a guide to determine maximum occupancy.
- Maintain physical distance of at least six (6) feet between people, except that members of the same party can participate in activities, stand in line together and do not have to stay six (6) feet apart. A distance of at least six (6) feet must be maintained between parties.
- Determine seating and or configuration to comply with all physical distancing requirements.
- Assign a physical distancing monitor to ensure compliance with all distancing requirements, including at entrances, exits, restrooms and any other area where people may meet or crowd.

- Do not combine parties or allow shared seating for individuals not in the same party.
- Remove or restrict seating or standing areas to facilitate the requirement of at least six (6) feet of physical distance between parties.
- Prohibit people in different parties from meeting/crowding in any area of the facility, both indoor and outdoor, including in parking lots.
- Configure outdoor space to ensure that parties contain no more than 10 people. For example: do not set tables for more than 10 people at a table or configure concert seating in groups of more than 10 seats.

**Operators of specific sectors must comply with their [sector specific guidance](#).**

## **Cleaning and Disinfection:**

**Operators of gatherings are required to:**

- Thoroughly clean all areas of gathering space prior to reopening after extended closure.
- Thoroughly clean the gathering space between events according to the cleaning and disinfection requirements.
- Use disinfectants that are included on the [Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\) approved list](#) for the coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 virus. No product will be labeled for COVID-19 yet, but many products will have a label or information available on their websites about their effectiveness for human coronavirus.
- Assign a sanitation attendant or attendants to frequently clean and disinfect work areas, high-traffic areas, and commonly touched surfaces in areas accessed by workers and attendees/participants.
- Assign a sanitation attendant or attendants to clean restrooms hourly during the event, and ensure adequate sanitary supplies (e.g., soap, toilet paper, 60-95% alcohol-content hand sanitizer) during all events.

**Operators of specific sectors must comply with their [sector specific guidance](#).**

## **Additional guidance for operators of gatherings:**

**Operators of gatherings are required to:**

- Review and implement the [Oregon General Guidance for Employers on COVID-19](#).
- Comply with any applicable [OHA sector guidance](#).
- Post [clear signs](#) listing COVID-19 symptoms, directing employees and attendees/participants with symptoms to stay or return home, and listing who to contact if they need assistance.

## Additional Resources:

- [Signs you can post](#)
- [Statewide Mask, Face Shield, Face Covering Guidance](#)
- [CDC's Guidance for Administrators in Parks and Recreational Facilities](#)

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- Position staff to monitor physical distancing requirements, so that parties are no larger than 10 people, and to help visitors understand these requirements.
- Assign staff to monitor visitor access to common areas such as restrooms so that visitors do not congregate.
- Route foot traffic in a one-way direction to minimize close contact between visitors. Post signs for one-way walking routes to attractions, if feasible.
- Limit the number of staff who serve or interact with each party.
- Encourage visitors to recreate with their own household members rather than with those in their extended social circles.
- Encourage visitors to recreate safely and avoid traveling to or recreating in areas where it is difficult to maintain at least six (6) feet from others not in their household.
- Place clear plastic or glass barriers in front of cashiers or visitor center counters, or in other places where maintaining six (6) feet of physical distance between employees, volunteers and visitors is more difficult.

### **Cleaning/ Hygiene**

- Consider providing hand-washing facilities for customer use in and around the facility. Hand sanitizer is effective on clean hands; businesses may make hand sanitizer (60-95% alcohol content) available to customers. Hand sanitizer must not replace hand washing by employees.

### **Outdoor facilities**

- Consider closing every other parking spot to facilitate at least six (6) feet of physical distance between parties.
- Encourage visitors to bring their own food, water bottles and hygiene supplies (including hand sanitizer).
- Encourage visitors to take their trash with them when they leave.

### **Additional Resources:**

- [OHA General Guidance for Employers](#)
- [Statewide Mask, Face Shield, Face Covering Guidance](#)
- [CDC's Guidance for Administrators in Parks and Recreational Facilities](#)

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## Phase Two Reopening Guidance – Venue and Event Operators

**Authority:** Executive Order No. 20-27, ORS 433.441, ORS 433.443, ORS 431A.010

**Applicability:** This guidance applies to venues and event operators who host or facilitate indoor or outdoor events, including social, recreational, cultural, civic, and faith-based gatherings in Phase Two counties.

**Enforcement:** To the extent this guidance requires compliance with certain provisions, it is enforceable as specified in Executive Order 20-27, paragraph 26.

### Operations:

#### Venue/event operators are required to:

- Review and implement the [Oregon General Guidance for Employers on COVID-19](#).
- Review and implement [Statewide Mask, Face Covering, Face Shield Guidance](#).
- Ensure equipment is in good condition, according to any applicable maintenance and operations manuals and standard operating procedures.
- Close water fountains, except those designed to refill water bottles in a contact-free manner.
- Post [signs that clearly](#) list COVID-19 symptoms, direct employees and attendees/participants with symptoms to stay or return home, and list who to contact if they need assistance.
- Post signs to require physical distancing throughout facility, including but not limited to reception areas, eating areas and near bathrooms.
- Ensure that ventilation systems operate properly. Increase air circulation as much as possible by opening windows and doors, using fans, or using other methods. Do not open windows and doors if doing so poses a safety risk to employees or attendees/participants.
- Provide handwashing stations or hand sanitizer (60-95% alcohol content) throughout the facility for employees and attendees/participants to use.
- Review and implement [Phase Two Restaurant and Bar Guidance](#) if providing food and beverage at the venue.
- Require reservations or advanced ticket purchase for public events.

- Maintain contact information of purchasers/attendees for public and private events. If there is a positive COVID-19 case associated with the venue/event operator, public health may need this information for a contact tracing investigation. Unless otherwise required, this information may be destroyed 60 days after the event.

**To the extent possible, venue/event operators should:**

- Stagger arrival and departure times for attendees/participants to minimize congregating at entrances, exits and restrooms to follow required physical distancing requirements.
- Provide separate entrances/exits for employees and/or contractors, if possible.
- Consider placing clear plastic or glass barriers in front of reception counters, or in other places where maintaining six (6) feet of physical distance between employees and attendees/participants is more difficult.
- Strongly encourage attendees/participants to wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or to use hand sanitizer (60-95% alcohol content) regularly.
- Provide hand sanitizer (60-95% alcohol content) at entrances.

## **Distance and Occupancy:**

**Venue/event operators are required to:**

- Limit the gathering capacity to a maximum of 100 people indoor or 250 people outdoor, not to exceed 250 indoor and outdoor; or the number of people, including staff, based on a determination of capacity (square footage/occupancy), whichever is less. If venue/event operators host a single event that occurs both indoors and outdoors, total maximum capacity cannot exceed 250 people, including staff.
- Determine maximum occupancy of each indoor and outdoor area, and limit number of individuals on the premises accordingly. Maximum occupancy requires at least six (6) feet of physical distance be maintained between parties.
- Maintain physical distance of at least six (6) feet per person, except that members of the same party can participate in activities/stand in line together without staying six (6) feet apart. A distance of at least six (6) feet must be maintained between parties.
- Prohibit parties of more than 10 people.
- Determine seating and configuration to comply with all physical distancing requirements. If providing food and beverage at the venue, determine seating and configuration of the food and beverage area using the [Phase Two Restaurant and Bar guidance](#).
- Do not combine parties or allow shared seating for individuals not in the same party.
- Remove or restrict seating and standing areas to facilitate the requirement of at least six (6) feet of physical distance between parties.
- Prohibit people in different parties from congregating in any area of the facility, both indoor and outdoor, including in parking lots.

- Assign a physical distancing monitor to ensure compliance with all distancing requirements, including at entrances, exits, restrooms and any other area where people may congregate.
- Use metal detectors and wands in lieu of search or pat down.
- Artists areas should adhere to group size limits and all physical distancing requirements.

**To the extent possible, venue/event operators should:**

- Use touchless or cashless payment options, and scan tickets without contact with attendees.
- Route foot traffic in a one-way direction to minimize close contact between attendees. Post signs for one-way walking routes to attractions, if feasible.

## **Cleaning and Disinfection:**

**Venue/event operators are required to:**

- Thoroughly clean all areas of venue prior to reopening after extended closure.
- Thoroughly clean all areas of venue between events.
- Use disinfectants that are included on the [Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\) approved list](#) for the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes COVID-19. No product will be labeled for COVID-19 virus yet, but many products will have a label or information available on their websites about their effectiveness for human coronavirus.
- Assign at least one sanitation attendant whose sole duties are to frequently clean and disinfect work areas, high-traffic areas, and commonly touched surfaces in areas accessed by workers and attendees/participants.
- Assign at least one sanitation attendant whose sole duties are to clean restrooms hourly during the event, and ensure adequate sanitary supplies (e.g., soap, toilet paper, 60-95% alcohol content hand sanitizer) during all events.
- Routinely rotate, clean and disinfect key/phone bowls or other touchpoints at metal detectors.
- Routinely clean radios and communication devices, and do not permit staff to share radios and communication devices.
- Disinfect and clean all sound gear, including microphones, between uses.

## **Additional guidance for outdoor venue and event operators**

**Outdoor venue/event operators are required to:**

- Configure outdoor space to ensure that parties contain no more than 10 people. For example: do not set tables for more than 10 people at a table or configure concert seating in groups of more than 10 seats.

- Thoroughly clean the venue between events according to the cleaning and disinfection requirements.
- Assign one (1) outdoor physical distancing monitor per 50 people to ensure physical distancing requirements are maintained at all times.
- Separate all facilities and activities hosting separate indoor and outdoor events at the same time at the same venue. Attendees/participants for separate indoor and outdoor events at the same venue must not share space, including restrooms.

## Additional guidance for outdoor drive-in movie theaters

### Drive-In Movie Theater operators are required to:

- Frequently clean and disinfect work areas, high-traffic areas, and commonly touched surfaces in areas accessed by workers and attendees.
- Clean restrooms hourly during the event, and ensure adequate sanitary supplies (e.g., soap, toilet paper, 60-95% alcohol content hand sanitizer) during all events.
- Determine parking and or configuration to comply with all physical distancing requirements. Ensure all attendees are parking vehicles at least six (6) feet of physical distance between each vehicle.
- Maintain physical distancing of at least six (6) feet per person, except that members of the same party can stand in concession lines together and do not have to stay six (6) feet apart. A distance of at least six (6) feet must be maintained between parties.
- If providing food and beverage at the venue, determine seating and configuration of the food and beverage area using the [Phase Two Restaurant and Bar guidance](#).

### Additional Resources:

- [Signs you can post](#)
- [Statewide Mask, Face Shield, Face Covering Guidance](#)
- [CDC's Guidance for Administrators in Parks and Recreational Facilities](#)

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## Statewide Mask, Face Covering, Face Shield Guidance

This guidance is specific to requirements for wearing masks, face coverings or face shields.

**Authority:** Executive Order No. 20-27, paragraphs 9 and 21, ORS 431A.010, ORS 433.441, ORS 433.443.

**Applicability:** This guidance applies statewide to:

- All businesses, as defined below.
- All persons responsible for indoor spaces open to the public
- All persons responsible for outdoor spaces open to the public
- All public and private workplaces
- The general public when:
  - Visiting businesses as defined below
  - Visiting indoor spaces open to the public
  - Visiting outdoor spaces open to the public
  - Visiting all public and private workplaces

**Enforcement:** To the extent this guidance requires compliance with certain provisions, it is enforceable as specified in Executive Order 20-27, paragraph 26.

### Oregon Health Authority Public Health Recommendations on Masks, Face Coverings and Face Shields:

- In general, it is recommended that people wear a mask or face covering, with or without a face shield, whenever they are within six (6) feet of people who do not live in the same household.
- ***It is not*** recommended that individuals wear a face shield instead of a mask or face covering. Face shields can be very good at blocking droplets that individuals release, but they are not as effective at limiting the release of aerosols that can go around the shield.

- When possible, use technology that can help maintain a low risk of virus transmission:
  - Using a microphone while wearing a mask or face covering will amplify your voice while speaking to an audience, allowing more distance between the speaker and the audience, and
  - Videoconferencing allows a person to speak to a remote audience and minimizes the need for people to be in the same room with a speaker.
- Use of a face shield alone should only be done on very limited basis. Wearing a face shield alone without a mask or face covering increases the potential for transmission of viruses to those in the same room as the individual without the mask or face covering. It is recommended that wearing a face shield alone be limited to situations when wearing a mask or face covering is not feasible, such as:
  - When a person has a medical condition that prevents them from wearing a mask or face covering.
  - When people need to see mouth and tongue motions in order to communicate (e.g., for communicating with children in certain developmental stages or people with hearing impairments).
  - When an individual is speaking to an audience for a short period of time and clear communication is otherwise not possible. In this situation it is important to consider:
    - » Ways to lower risk to the audience including all audience members wearing masks or face coverings.
    - » Having enhanced building ventilation (see CDC's guidance on ventilation and filtration, Ready Schools, Safe Learners – section 2j, and American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers' guidance).

**Requirements for other businesses and sectors:** There may be mask, face covering and face shield requirements and recommendations that apply to other businesses or sectors not specifically identified in this guidance. Businesses and sectors should review and comply with any mask, face covering, face shield requirements in the other applicable [sector guidance](#) that may apply.

**For purposes of this guidance the following definitions apply:**

- “Business” means:
  - Grocery stores
  - Fitness-related organizations
  - Indoor and outdoor entertainment facility operators (zoos, museums, drive-in movie theaters, raceways, outdoor gardens and aquariums)
  - Indoor and outdoor licensed swimming pools, licensed spa pools, and sports court operators in Phase One and Two counties
  - Indoor and Outdoor Markets and Street Fairs
  - Indoor and outdoor recreational sports operators for specified sports
  - Outdoor recreation organizations
  - Pharmacies

- Private career schools, except where other sector guidance applies
- Public transit agencies and providers
- Public and private colleges and universities, except where other sector guidance applies
- Personal services providers
- Restaurants, bars, breweries, brewpubs, wineries, tasting rooms and distilleries
- Retail stores, shopping centers and malls
- Ride sharing services
- Youth programs
- Phase Two counties only:
  - » Indoor and outdoor entertainment facility operators
  - » Indoor and outdoor venue operators
- “Face covering” means a cloth, polypropylene, paper or other face covering that covers the nose and the mouth and that rests snugly above the nose, below the mouth, and on the sides of the face.
  - The following **are not** face coverings because they allow droplets to be released: a covering that incorporates a valve that is designed to facilitate easy exhalation, mesh masks, lace masks or other coverings with openings, holes, visible gaps in the design or material, or vents.
- “Face shield” means a clear plastic shield that covers the forehead, extends below the chin, and wraps around the sides of the face.
- “Fitness-related organizations” include but are not limited to gyms, fitness centers, personal training, dance studios and martial arts centers.
- “Indoor spaces open to the public” include but are not limited to indoor spaces, whether publicly owned or privately owned, where the public has access by right or invitation, express or implied, whether by payment of money or not. In addition to the public areas of the businesses defined above, such spaces may include, but are not limited to, building lobbies or common spaces, classrooms, elevators, bathrooms and buildings or meeting rooms outside of private homes where people gather for social, civic, cultural or religious purposes.
- “Mask” means a medical grade mask.
- “Outdoor spaces open to the public” means outdoor spaces where at least six (6) feet of distance cannot be maintained between individuals in different households, whether publicly owned or privately owned, where the public has access by right or invitation, express or implied, whether by payment of money or not.
- “Personal services providers” means barber shops, hair salons, estheticians, medical spas, facial spas, day spas, non-medical massage therapy services, nail salons, tanning salons and tattoo/piercing parlors.
- “Public and private workplaces” means indoor or outdoor places where people work, including but not limited to banks, food processing plants, manufacturing facilities, construction sites, warehouses and farms.

## Businesses, Indoor/Outdoor Spaces Open to the Public, Public and Private Workplaces:

**Businesses and persons responsible for an indoor or outdoor space open to the public and persons responsible for public and private workplaces are required to:**

- Require employees, contractors, volunteers, students, customers and visitors to wear a mask, face covering or face shield, except as follows:
  - Employees, contractors and volunteers: Masks, face coverings or face shields are **strongly recommended** in all indoor work spaces, but not required when at or in a location where the employee, contractor or volunteer does not have a job that requires interacting with the public or with other employees, such as a large warehouse **and** at least six (6) feet of distance can be maintained between other people. When six (6) feet of distance cannot be maintained, such as in a restroom or break room, masks, face coverings or face shields are required.
  - Masks, face coverings or face shields are not required while eating or drinking.
  - Masks, face coverings or face shields are not required when engaged in an activity that makes wearing a mask, face covering or face shield not feasible, such as when swimming.
- Provide masks, face coverings or face shields for employees.
- Provide for accommodations for employees, contractors, students, customers and visitors if such accommodations are required by:
  - State and federal disabilities laws, if applicable, including the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) which protects people with disabilities from discrimination in employment and requires employers to engage in the interactive process for accommodations.
  - State or federal labor laws.
  - State and federal public accommodations laws that provide all persons with full and equal access to services, transportation and facilities open to the public.
  - OHA public health guidance if applicable.
- Post clear [signs](#) about the mask, face covering or face shield requirements.

**Businesses and persons responsible for an indoor or outdoor space open to the public and persons responsible for public and private workplaces should, but are not required to:**

- Provide, at no cost, face coverings for customers and visitors who do not have one.
- [Post signs](#) about the mask, face covering or face shield requirement in languages that are commonly spoken by customers, visitors and students.
- Educate employees:
  - On how to safely work and communicate with people who cannot wear masks, face coverings or face shields.
  - That they may need to replace a mask or face covering with a transparent cover such as a face shield while communicating with an individual who needs to read lips or see facial expressions to communicate.

## Public and Private Workplaces:

- Masks, face coverings or face shields are required at all times for employees, contractors and volunteers in public and private workplaces, including hallways, bathrooms, classrooms, elevators, lobbies, break rooms, meeting rooms and other common and shared spaces, unless employees, contractors or volunteers are at a private, individual workspace not shared with other people.

## The Public:

**All persons when visiting a business, an indoor or outdoor space open to the public or a public or private workplace are required to:**

- Wear a mask, face covering or face shield unless the individual is under five (5) years of age, except as follows:
  - Masks, face coverings or face shields are not required while eating or drinking.
  - Masks, face coverings or face shields are not required when engaged in an activity that makes wearing a mask, face covering or face shield not feasible, such as swimming.
  - Masks, face coverings or face shields can briefly be removed in situations where identity needs to be confirmed by visual comparison, such as at a bank or if interacting with law enforcement. If possible, limit speaking while the cover is off as speaking generates aerosols and droplets that can contain viruses.

Individuals who have a medical condition that makes it hard to breathe or a disability that prevents the individual from wearing a mask, face covering or face shield can request an accommodation from the business or indoor/outdoor space operator to enable full and equal access to services, transportation and facilities open to the public.

## For children younger than 12 years:

- It is not recommended that children under the age of two (2) wear a mask, face covering or face shield. Therefore, children under the age of two (2) are not required to wear a mask, face covering or face shield.
- It is strongly recommended that children between two (2) and five (5) years of age, wear a mask, face covering or face shield at all times in all indoor and outdoor spaces open to the public, particularly in places where it is likely that physical distancing of at least six (6) feet from other individuals outside their household unit cannot be maintained, and where vulnerable people may go.
- Because children between the ages of two (2) and 12 years of age can have challenges wearing a mask, face covering or face shield properly (e.g., excessively touching the face covering, not changing the face covering if visibly soiled, risk of strangulation or suffocation, etc.) we urge that when masks, face coverings or face shields are worn by this age group, that they be worn with the assistance and close supervision of an adult. Masks, face coverings or face shields should never be worn by children when sleeping.
- Individuals five (5) years of age and older must wear a mask, face covering or face shield when visiting an outdoor space open to the public if at least six (6) feet of physical distance cannot be maintained between individuals in different households.

- There may be mask, face covering and face shield requirements and recommendations that apply to other sectors applicable to children. Refer to other [sector guidance](#), including child care, schools and summer camp locations.

## Additional Resources

- [OHA Mask and Face Covering Accommodations Sign](#)
- [OHA General Guidance for Employers](#)
- [OHA Sector-specific Guidance](#)
- [OHA Frequently Asked Questions for Statewide Mask, Face Covering, Face Shield Guidance](#)
- [Oregon OSHA COVID-19 Workplace Advisory Memo](#)
- [ADA and Face Mask Policies – Disability Issues Brief](#)
- [Early Learning Division COVID-19 Resources](#)
- [Higher Education Coordinating Commission COVID-19 Resources](#)
- [Oregon Department of Education Resources](#)
- [OHA Mask and Face Covering webpage](#)

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THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

## POLICY CHANGES

THIS ENDORSEMENT FORMS A PART OF THE POLICY NUMBERED BELOW:

POLICY NUMBER <b>3602HF059663 - 22</b>	POLICY CHANGES EFFECTIVE 01-01-2019	COMPANY Markel Insurance Company			
NAMED INSURED United Square Dancers of America  c/o Pat Inglis		AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE Bruce A. Kay			
COVERAGE PARTS AFFECTED Commercial General Liability					
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHANGES</b></p> <p>In consideration of the premium charged, it is understood and agreed that the policy is amended as follows:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>EXCLUSION - CALLERS AND CUERS</b></p> <p>The following is added to Paragraph 2. Exclusions under Section I-Coverages, Coverage A - Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability and Coverage B - Personal and Advertising Injury Liability:</p> <p>This insurance does not apply to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) "Bodily injury" or "personal and advertising injury" to any caller or cuer while performing the act of calling or cuing; or</li><li>(2) "Property damage" to any equipment owned by, or in the care, custody or control of, a caller or cuer.</li></ul> <p>All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.</p> <p>The above amendment(s) result in a change in premium as follows:</p>					
<input type="checkbox"/>	NO CHANGES	<input type="checkbox"/>	TO BE ADJUSTED AT AUDIT	ADDITIONAL PREMIUM	RETURN PREMIUM
				\$	\$

Bruce A. Kay

*Bruce A. Kay*  
Authorized Representative Signature

# RECOGNITION OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR SQUARE, ROUND, AND LINE DANCING

Dancing and stretching can cause injury. You need to know your limitations before making the decision that you really want to participate in these activities. All participation in these activities is voluntary.

I am aware of the dangers involved and I accept the risk of such activities and I undertake them on my own responsibility. Some of these risks also now include the chance of illness due to, but not limited to, the COVID 19 virus. I do hereby for myself, my heirs and my personal representatives release and forever discharge the Dance instructors, and Assistants, Callers and Cuers, its owners, and its members and agents from any and all claims, demands, or actions on account of my illness, injury, or death which may occur during my participation in this activity.

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE FULLY READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE.

If the applicant is under the age of 18, his or her parents or legal guardians have read the foregoing and by their signatures below consent thereto.

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## **WAIVER and RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

You understand that by participating in this activity during this time of pandemic, there are certain risks from exposure to others who might have the virus, even though efforts are being made to comply with state and federal guidelines for safety during the pandemic. By signing the registration form, you are agreeing to assume the risk in such participation, on behalf of yourself, your children and other heirs, and your personal representative, and release Dan and Sandi Finch and the owner of Mel's Dance Hall from liability. This release also applies to any accident that may occur while you are involved in this activity.

This waiver does not apply to any acts of gross negligence or intentional, willful or wanton misconduct by any party.

You further confirm that you are sufficiently physically fit to participate in this activity of dancing, and have not been advised to not participate by a qualified medical professional, and certify there are no health-related reasons that preclude participation in this instructor's dance activities.

By signing the registration, you acknowledge that you have read this waiver and understand its import and voluntarily agree to its terms.

## RECOGNITION OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR ROUND DANCING

Dancing and stretching can cause injury. You need to know your limitations before making the decision that you really want to participate in these activities. All participation in these activities is voluntary.

I am aware of the dangers involved and I accept the risk of such activities and I undertake them on my own responsibility.

Some of these risks also now include the chance of illness due to, but not limited to, the COVID 19 virus. I do hereby for myself, my heirs, and my personal representatives release and forever discharge Club name, the dance instructors, assistants, the cuer, the cuer partner, Venue name here - its owners, members, and agents from any and all claims, demands, or actions on account of my illness, injury, or death which may occur during and/or because of my participation in this activity. I have been provided documentation regarding the potential health risks of participating during the Covid 19 virus pandemic and for contact tracing.

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE FULLY READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE.

If the applicant is under the age of 18, his or her parents or legal guardians have read the foregoing and by their signatures below consent thereto.

[illegible]

## WAIVER, RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

I understand that participation in this activity involves certain risks, and I agree to assume all risk in such participation. I hereby waive and release, indemnify and hold harmless (instructor) from any and all claims, demands, causes of action, damages or liability that I may have arising from or in any way related to my participation in activities conducted by or on the premises of (instructor), whether or not foreseeable. This waiver does not apply to any acts of gross negligence or intentional, willful or wanton misconduct.

This waiver is made voluntarily by me on behalf of myself and my heirs, personal representatives, executor, or successors in interest.

We have recently been through a period of viral pandemic throughout the world. The virus has been declared extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, local, state and federal authorities recommend safe-distancing. I acknowledge that there exists some risk of infection in spite of safe-distancing. I further acknowledge that the instructor of this class is following the mandates of appropriate governmental agencies in being allowed to conduct this class and on that basis I assume that risk of participating in it.

I further confirm that I am sufficiently physically fit to participate in this activity of dancing, and have not been advised to not participate by a qualified medical professional. I certify there are no health-related reasons that preclude my participation in this instructor's dance activities.

In consideration of instructor permitting me to participate in this class/event/activity, I hereby certify:

- 1) I voluntarily agree to assume all risks of disability, injury, illness, or even death, property damage, claim or expense of any kind that I am experience in connection with participation;
- 2) I hereby waive release and discharge instructor of any and all liability incurred in such participation;
- 3) I indemnify, hold harmless and promise not to sue instructor from any and all liabilities or claims made as a result of such participation

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read this waiver and understand its import and voluntarily agree to its terms. If any portion of this agreement is declared invalid by a court, the remainder shall continue in full force and effect. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that I am eighteen (18) years of age or older and fully competent to sign this agreement.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_