

# Band Health and Safety Policies

We are very much looking forward to getting back into the business of live music production. We are headed towards what was once “normal”, but not quite there just yet. To be able to perform in any manner, will take cooperation and preparedness from all of us; promoters, artists, venue operators and outside contractors. We will have to decide ahead of time which party is to be responsible for each of the various tasks and practices that are related to all of our health and safety. These will be new agreements, so we have detailed various “tasks and practices” below (some of which may seem obvious) that we deem necessary for us to have a healthy environment for all of us during these times. These agreements should be mutually supportive; the tour wants to know the venue is clean and the venue wants to know the tour will not bring unreasonable risk unto their premises. Both parties have a vested and mutual interest in agreeing to the measures discussed here.

We are insisting that the venue be prepared and rigorously sanitized **prior to our arrival** including:

- **Backstage:** (Back of House Offices, Dressing Areas, Green Rooms, Production Areas)
- **Stage:** The stage itself, wings and all tech areas
- **Front of House:** tech areas, merchandise area, as well as restrooms

**The sanitizing should include all “High-Touch Areas”** (surfaces and objects that are touched frequently, such as the ones listed below, should be disinfected).

- Door handles, handrails, push plates 

- Handrails for stairs, ramps, and escalators [L] [SEP]
- Light switches and thermostats [L] [SEP]
- Elevator buttons – inside and out [L] [SEP]
- Tables and chairs [L] [SEP]
- Beverage stations, water fountains, vending and ice machines [L] [SEP]
- Trash receptacles [L] [SEP]
- Restrooms (front and back of house as well as portable units) [L] [SEP]
- Individual office and other room furniture

### [L] [SEP] **Backstage Access** [L] [SEP]

The backstage area will strictly be for **WORKING PERSONNEL ONLY**. Absolutely, **NO NON-ESSENTIAL PERSONS** are to be in the backstage area at any time (this is to include **ALL** guests - promoter, venue and band). All persons backstage must wear a **TOUR ISSUED PASS ONLY** and visibly shown.

Upon band arrival the backstage dressing room area will be **OFF LIMITS** to all non-touring personnel. Any requests for backstage access must be made through the **Tour Manager ONLY!** [L] [SEP]

### **INFECTION MITIGATION COORDINATOR**

We require having an individual with appropriate medical and risk management knowledge be designated the “**Infection Mitigation Coordinator**” for the event. This role is essential during and this pandemic period. The Infection Mitigation Coordinator should have the following functions.

- Coordinate with, communicate, and help implement touring and venue health guidelines. [L] [SEP]
- Determine if individuals entering the event space are within proper health guidelines. [L] [SEP]
- Oversee and implement infection control measures, including proper mask wearing, [L] [SEP] social distancing, hand washing, temperature checking, and disinfecting high-touch surfaces.

## [L] [SEP] PRACTICES FOR HEALTHY WORKERS AND VOLUNTEERS [L] [SEP]

- **Social Distancing.** Public health guidance stresses that whenever possible, everyone should leave at least six feet (about two meters) to the person closest to them. [L] [SEP]
- **Hand Washing.** Frequent hand washing with soap is vital to help combat the spread of any virus. As a backup, workers may use sanitizer. Workers should also wash their hands at the beginning and end of each shift and break, after using the restroom, sneezing, touching their face, blowing their nose, cleaning, sweeping, mopping, smoking, eating, or drinking. [L] [SEP]
- **Face Coverings.** Physical respiratory protection such as a surgical/medical mask or a cloth mask with double or triple layering should be worn whenever people are within six feet (two meters) of each other, or in any enclosed areas (backstage rooms, offices, etc.). This includes the covering of MOUTH AND NOSE. [L] [SEP] **SIGNAGE** [L] [SEP] In order to ensure maximum comprehension and compliance, signage posted throughout the venue should show how to wear and use a face covering, including covering of nose and mouth.

- **TEMPERATURE SCREENING.** Each point of entry to the back of the house, should be monitored by trained workers. **ANY AND EVERY person(s) entering backstage must be screened for entry** (Temperature, mask compliance, etc.)

**LOAD IN & SET UP** All production staff will be required to wear acceptable face coverings (as previously noted), **AT ALL TIMES** when working the call.

The Artist Production team will be responsible for all worker positioning **AT ALL TIMES, IN ALL AREAS**, from load in to load out. This includes; the truck, loading areas, stage, backstage and front of house. There will be **NO** exceptions!

**Social distancing** applies to production crew working in confined spaces, such as inside trailers. The general need for distancing should not cause other unsafe working conditions for technical and construction crew. For example, if a piece of equipment takes four people to lift, then each worker should protect themselves from infection to the best of their ability while lifting the load together, including wearing face masks, gloves, etc.

**NOTE:** Front of house production areas should be well separated from the audience to permit proper social distance requirements

## **CATERING**






Catering options will be discussed and decided which will be the safest and most appropriate for the situation. (Ordered in Take Out, Boxed Meals, Menu Served Meals, Buffet Catering, etc.). If On-Site Catering is agreed upon by the Artist, please follow the CATERING REQUIREMENTS BELOW.

All Catering Staff will be required to wear proper and acceptable

face coverings and gloves at all times.

**Buffets:** Please have all food served by staff including; salads, breads, entrees, sides and desserts.

**Socially Distanced Dining.** In order to enforce social distancing where patrons or workers dine, the following practices are recommended, as applicable;

- Reduced Seating 
- Staggered Mealtimes 
- Line Management 
- Set only as many chairs as are consistent with social distancing 
- Adhere to constant sanitizing and disinfecting at all times during the dining period 

**MERCHANDISE Sellers.** All sellers are required to wear face coverings and gloves at all times

**Queuing.** Mark merchandise sales lines on floor, with barricade, or rope and stanchion, patrolled by guest services workers to provide information and enforce social distancing and the wearing of acceptable face coverings.

**Touchless.** No trying on or handling of merchandise by the customer. Only sellers may touch items for sale.

**Spacing.** Merchandise sellers must be spaced far enough from each other so patrons can wait in line while maintaining social distance and not block access for pedestrians passing by.

## **GROUND TRANSPORTATION**

**Driver Health.** When drivers report for duty, they should undergo the same screening for temperature or infection symptoms as other workers. Drivers **MUST** wear acceptable face coverings **at all times**.

**Vehicle Capacity.** As in all other public areas, mandatory social distancing and the wearing of acceptable face coverings **MUST** be enforced in vans, and other ground transportation to **EVERY** extent possible (for example, nine passengers plus a driver could fill a fifteen-passenger van in order to allow more space between riders). This may require adjustment of existing plans to provide additional vehicles or multiple trips.

**Vehicle Cleaning.** Transportation providers **MUST** disinfect the passenger compartment after every trip, including all hard surfaces and windows, seats, headrests, seatbelts, seatbelt buckles, and armrests. **ALL** vehicle operators should be trained regarding the surfaces passengers are likely to touch and the cleaners and disinfectants. Additional time between trips must be reserved for this process.

## **FRONT OF HOUSE / FAN EXPERIENCE**

It is expected that the Purchaser and Venue will comply with all local CDC recommendations and guidelines to limit the spread of COVID-19, including but not limited to:

- Training all employees in all cleaning and safety procedures [SEP]
- Screening all employees with temperature checks and not allowing sick employees to [SEP] work [SEP]
- Screening fans for temperature checks and denying entrance to

anyone with a [L] [SEP] temperature over the guideline acceptable number [L] [SEP]

- Requiring **ALL** proper face coverings be worn by [L] [SEP] guests/fans/employees at all times (covering nose and mouth), included but not limited to; entering the venue, [L] [SEP]
- Walking through public areas and waiting in line in public areas. Congregating in public areas for the purpose of socializing should be deterred. If the venue is set up with individual distanced seating areas, masks may be removed at then.
- Maintaining social distance measures in the house by providing physical guides, including but not limited to signage, clear walkways, barriers and tape on floors. [L] [SEP]
- Providing adequate supplies to support CDC guidelines and healthy hygiene including but not limited to; Soap, hand sanitizer and no touch garbage cans. [L] [SEP]
- Constant and consistent cleaning and sanitizing of frequently used and touched areas by guests/fans/employees. [L] [SEP]