

COVID Event Safety and Best Practices Policy

Sam Hill Entertainment and our roster of bands are committed to supporting each event by setting clear expectations for all involved during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our goals are to:

- Promote health practices to maintain safety for all event guests, musicians and vendors
- Provide comfortable experiences for all involved so that events go smoothly

YOUR BAND IS COMMITTED TO THESE SAFETY MEASURES:

Before the event day:

- Maintain recommended personal hygiene and safe social distancing practices
- Encourage regular COVID testing when and where available for band members
- Monitor band members for COVID symptoms and hire replacement performers when necessary to maintain the expected lineup size and instrumentation

At each event while on site:

- Maintain safe distance from guests and vendors as much as possible
- Wear face masks except while performing (*please note: for some on-stage performers - particularly those who sing, dance or play horns, for example - it may not be practical or safe to perform while masked, while others may choose to or be able to perform masked*).
- Regularly clean equipment during and after use
- Frequently wash hands and use hand sanitizer
- Make announcements to remind guests about social distancing if directed
- Refrain from leaving the stage while performing to come out into the crowd
- Prevent guests from joining the band on stage
- Make clean microphones available for toasts and speeches to prevent sharing microphones among guests (*please discuss this with your band in advance*)
- Respectfully refrain from shaking hands or hugging anyone
- Participate in temperature checks if requested by client or venue

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YOUR BAND IS COUNTING ON YOU TO ENSURE THESE SAFETY MEASURES:

- **Larger-than-usual performance stage areas (whenever possible).** For safety, there should be enough stage or performance space to allow for reasonable distancing from other musicians and guests. Refer to the band's contract rider for performance area guidelines, and please provide as much performance area as possible.
- **Distance between band and dance floor.** We encourage designating a visual "no guest zone" (6' minimum, 10' preferred) between the front of the performance area and the dance floor. Ideas include rope lights, floor tape, small tables, plants/floral, or signage - anything to create a safe, unobtrusive barrier that clearly promotes responsible social distancing.
- **Adequate backstage and greenroom areas.** The spaces you designate for musicians to change and eat, as well as multi-vendor backstage areas, should allow for safe 6-foot (min) social distancing. It is not safe for vendors to be packed in a small indoor room or crowded backstage area. A covered, shaded outdoor space for eating and sitting would be welcomed as long as it's not raining or extraordinarily hot outside.
- **Safe meal service.** Please serve band meals on separate plates or in individual containers. During this pandemic, buffet meals and shared family-style platters are simply not safe. Bands will accept paid meal buyouts if providing safe meal service is not practical or possible (please discuss this option with your bandleader).
- **Adequate parking.** Musicians and crew may choose to drive individually or in small groups more frequently than usual in the months ahead, requiring additional parking spaces.
- **Flexibility and cooperation!** Band and crew members will do their very best to maintain safe social distance from guests, other vendors and each other, and they appreciate your understanding and consideration of these efforts for the comfort of all.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SAFE EVENTS IN 2020.... AND BEYOND!