

## **Kingdom of the OUTLANDS COVIDsafe Policy**

The Kingdom of the Outlands has adopted the Society COVIDsafe Policy. The policy is detailed in the following document.

**Disclaimer:** Due to the nature of the pandemic, policies at all levels may change frequently and the document will be updated as they do. The most current documents will be found on sca.org. We will follow these policies unless they are superseded by mundane law. In the Kingdom of the Outlands, this policy is superseded in the State of Texas.

### **Current Society policies:**

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The SCA Board of Directors aims to balance getting Society participants back to doing the things we love with measures that support Kingdoms in protecting all that people have worked so hard for. Our COVIDSafe Resolutions provide a flexible, risk based framework that allows Kingdoms in the United States and Canada to put in place a core set of requirements that event organisers and individuals must adhere to, based on their current environment and public health directions and advice.

As more information becomes available, the Board reviews and updates its resolutions where necessary in line with its responsibility to act diligently, with due care and in good faith. This is never more important than with issues related to the health and safety of our participants.

In line with this approach, based on changing circumstances and updated expert advice, the Board has resolved the following:

### **Proof of Fully Vaccinated Status or Negative COVID Test**

In addition to the existing policy allowing Kingdoms to establish a mask policy, Kingdom Seneschals in consultation with the Crown shall have the discretion to implement the following policy requiring proof of COVID vaccination or a negative COVID test taken within 72 hours of an event start time from all event attendees:

Events are any activities defined in Corpora II.A, “Society Events Defined”

Proof of being fully vaccinated must be in the form of a government issued card (original or photograph) or an electronic record.

Proof of negative COVID test must be issued from a licensed medical provider and presented in such paper form or electronic form that the event staff can easily verify its authenticity. Letterhead from a medical provider or an email address clearly identifying the medical provider as the sender of an electronic record shall constitute authentic proof.

All persons over the age of 18 must present government issued photo identification or a current SCA membership card along with the proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test. Parents and guardians of minors must present their own identification along with proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test for all minors attending an event in their care.

Proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test shall not be required for children who are ineligible by virtue of their age. In addition to the normal sanctions process, anyone challenging event staff regarding the enforcement of this COVID policy shall be denied entry to or be immediately removed from the event.

The Kingdom must check for proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test at an event.

Each person entering the event shall present proof of vaccination or acceptable test result along with appropriate identification to the gate staff before entering the event, and shall sign the [“COVIDSafe Acknowledgement”](#) form attesting that they have presented proper identification, along with either proof of being fully vaccinated or a negative COVID test taken within 72 hours prior to the start of the event.

The event organizer, or their designee, shall forward the signed COVIDSafe Acknowledgement forms to the Kingdom Seneschal, or their designee, who shall maintain such records in accordance with the standards for retention of waivers.

Kingdom Seneschals shall notify the Society Seneschal where local, state, provincial, or national law supersedes this policy.

This policy shall not apply to Lochac and Drachenwald.

## Summary of Society Policies:

The "COVID notice" that the Board enacted which states that people attend at their own risk must be included in all event copy and also posted on the site, including at practices, etc., so it can be seen by everyone.

- *Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.*

The kingdom has enacted the COVIDSafe policy with regard to vaccines or negative tests, which means everyone needs to provide proof of one or the other at every SCA function they attend.

### COVIDSafe policies--

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- It's okay to give out some sort of token to show that the vaccine/test check has been done.
- It does not apply to children who are of an age where they cannot be vaccinated. (Under 5)

### **Kingdom policies:**

- The Kingdom of the Outlands is strongly suggesting pre-registration at all events as to prevent overwhelming the site. This is not intended to keep them out of the event
- The Kingdom of the Outlands is not requiring masking at all indoor events starting April 1<sup>st</sup> 2022. However depending on future CDC recommendations this may change.

**OUTLANDS CURRENT POLICIES**  
(Unless superseded by mundane law)

	<b>Outdoor Practices/Meetings</b>	<b>Indoor Practices/Meetings</b>	<b>Outdoor Events</b>	<b>Indoor Events</b>
Permitted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Suggested Pre-Registration	No	No	Yes	Yes
Requires Proof of Vaccination / Proof of Negative COVID-19 Test Within 72 Hours) for individuals 5+	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Feasts Allowed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Individuals May Hand Out food	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Social Distancing Required	No	No	No	No
Sign Regarding COVID-19 required	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water Coolers for dispensing into drinking vessels allowed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Method for Contacting Required Participants Required	No	No	No	No

## COVID CHECK POLICIES

- Government Issued ID or SCA membership card must be shown
- Proof of vaccination
- OR
- Negative tests must be within 72 hours of arriving
- MUST be shown by everyone 5 and up.
- Negative tests must contain proof of being a licensed provider
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