

RAINCOAST EDUCATION SOCIETY COVID-19 HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES

This document summarizes the measures that the RES is taking to ensure the health and safety of our staff and those we interact with during our registered and drop-in educational and interpretive programs. These measures are informed by BC Health guidelines and reflect a realistic and practical approach to reducing the risk of transmitting the COVID-19 virus. The RES will make every effort to consistently follow the guidelines we lay out below, and all participants in our programs will be required to acknowledge and agree to them as well. These guidelines are mandatory for our staff, but cannot be enforced as they apply to participants in our programs. We nonetheless strongly encourage and recommend all participants in our programs understand, accept and agree to follow these guidelines.

USE OF THE RAINCOAST EDUCATION SOCIETY BUS

The RES bus will be used by many people who will be screened but cannot be assumed to be uninfected. Accordingly, all people using this bus must do so at their own assumed risk while making every possible precaution to keep the bus, and themselves, clean and safe. All staff and passengers must agree to:

-Wear a mask at all times while aboard the bus.
-Sanitize their hands BEFORE boarding the bus.
-(Staff) Wipe down all hard surfaces with disinfectant after each drop-off.
-(Staff) Encourage occupants to space out and avoid touching surfaces.

DROP-OFF and PICK-UP PROTOCOL FOR DAY AND DROP-IN CAMPS

Drop-off protocols will follow recommendations of Tofino and Ucluelet Parks and Rec Departments, and will likely involve staggered drop-offs, instructor checkoffs for campers on a daily basis, and limited interaction with parents where possible. Staff and participants must agree to:

-Ensure drop-off and pick-up is done quickly and smoothly with no lingering -(Staff) Ensure pick-up area is clearly marked to show where to stand, etc. -Maintain social distancing (2m) when interacting with parents and campers.

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GENERAL CAMP PROTOCOL

The realities of running camps will require a practical and pragmatic approach to safety. It is the responsibility of RES staff to ensure that campers and parents know what is expected of them in terms of appropriate and safe behavior. It is the responsibility of parents to ensure their children are aware of the rules, and it is the responsibility of children to follow guidance from the instructors. RES staff will:

-Encourage/remind campers that they should avoid touching each other as much as possible. It is understood and expected the children WILL have contact with each other, but such contact will be kept to a reasonable minimum. Games and activities will be structured accordingly.

-Ensure that campers are maintaining social distance (2m) from other people in shared spaces

-Ensure that campers are using hand sanitizer when appropriate

-Ensure that staff and campers are both wearing masks if they need to spend any time within less than 2m (e.g., while administering First Aid. Staff will also need to wear gloves.

RES CAMP GUIDELINES FOR PARENTS

-You must NOT bring your child to camp if you have ANY reasons to think they may be sick in any way. Your child may be sent home if RES staff have any reason to believe your child is sick. "sick" includes ANY symptoms of infection or illness.

-You must ensure that your child has a mask to wear on the bus.

-You must ensure that your child has a bottle of alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

-Please follow drop-off and pick-up guidelines.

-Please encourage your children to follow social distancing guidelines.

RES CAMP GUIDELINES FOR CAMPERS

-Campers will be required to wear a mask while on the RES bus.

-Campers will be required to wear a mask whenever RES staff might be required to spend time with them at a distance of less than 2m (e.g., administering First Aid).

-Campers will be required to sanitize their hands as instructed by RES staff. -Campers must maintain social distance (2m) when possible, and as instructed otherwise.