



Troop 54

Worcester, MA

COVID-19 Controls

Participant Screening

We no longer perform screening of participants for symptoms.

Social Distancing

We no longer require social distancing.

Face Masks

We no longer require masks.

Sanitation

Water will be available for hand washing and/or hand sanitizer be available.

Tents

We no longer restrict who can share tents beyond Youth Protection policies. For any Scout who prefers not to share a tent, the Troop will provide a single person tent.

Dining

We no longer have COVID-19 related meal requirements.

Vaccination

The Troop encourages Scout families to get their eligible Scouts vaccinated.

Risk

In accordance with guidance from the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), people at high risk for severe illness from COVID-19 require physician approval to participate in an in-person troop activity. We define this as having any of the following risk factors (based on the CDC description as of 7/5/20):

- Age 65 or above
- Chronic kidney disease
- COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
- Immunocompromised state (weakened immune system) from solid organ transplant
- Obesity (body mass index [BMI] of 30 or higher)
- Serious heart conditions, such as heart failure, coronary artery disease, or cardiomyopathies
- Sickle cell disease
- Type 2 diabetes mellitus

Despite the above measures, the risk of COVID-19 exposure cannot be eliminated. Higher-risk individuals should carefully consider their situations. The BSA recommends that no one in the higher-risk category take part in person.